



# Kiwaniis®

## CLUB OF BURLINGTON

January, 2018

**Burlington Kiwanis**  
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Happy New Year!

Wow! What a finish to the year for our club. Once again so many of you came through for so many families in the Christmas season. The kids shopping spree at Target organized by Lois Blythe, Cassie Gerst and crew treated 35 kids to nearly \$1,500 of Christmas cheer. Thanks to Target and Melissa Jones' saavy Red Card coupons the club only spent around \$900! Tom Jones and the Coats for Kids project distributed 97 coats to kids mostly aged newborn to five. Photos with Santa started rough at Target and finished rough the last weekend from a technology standpoint, but once again brought smiles to many faces. Kudos to Jon Hart for being IT extraordinaire and squeezing one last year from the equipment. Jim Sleister and his merry band of Ding-A-Lingers had a record year for the Salvation Army with over \$4,000 raised during our time. Way to go Kiwanians!

Our Thursday meetings were also a treat. Our tradition of ugly sweaters and white elephants continued but the real buzz centered around the Kiwanis Singers! A few new members combined with some hard work had Vicki Stoller's crew sounding as good as advertised. As a side note, I will be looking for any excuse to get the Singers to perform any chance I get. As I write this we just concluded another fantastic Kids Day organized by Cassie Gerst and Karen Erickson. Unfortunately attendance was down a bit due to the bitter cold, snow, and a rash of sniffles. The 70 or so in attendance had a blast playing reindeer games. I never thought Vicki Stoller, Dave Wiemer, balloons, and panty hose would be used in the same sentence!

The first quarter has historically been the strongest time of the year for our club to gain new members. This year we will once again kick off our "membership drive" at the February 1st fun day meeting. However, I challenge you not to wait that long. Many people in your circle may know you are a Kiwanian but not fully understand what we do, or how we serve local children. Share your story about Kiwanis and invite them to a Thursday meeting. More to come.

Lastly, in case you were not aware, Don and Rhonda Sheedy have announced their retirement from Peaches and the restaurant will be closed by the time you read this. Don and his staff have treated our club well through the years and their presence in the industry will be missed. Thank you Don and Rhonda for supporting Kiwanis thru the years. Going forward PZAZZ!, will manage the convention center space honoring our current agreement for 2018.

Cheers to Kiwanis in 2018!

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# T.E.A.M. RUDOLPH and the REINDEER GAMES

## Kid's Day FUN!



**Thank You to the committee, who did a great job with Kid's Day and to everyone who brought their special kids.**



**Photos with Santa  
By The Numbers**

**81**                      **Volunteer Hours**  
**27**                      **Volunteers**  
**\$2,249.44**           **Net Profit**  
**\$27.77**              **Net Profit / Volunteer Hour**



**Special Thanks**

*The following members donated their winnings, including turkey and cash, to the Community Thanksgiving from our BINGO day.*

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|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Jeff Rucker</i>  | <i>Bruce Engel</i>        | <i>Chuck Brockett, 10</i> |
| <i>Lois Blythe</i>  | <i>Tom Jones</i>          | <i>Jay Henrich, \$30</i>  |
| <i>John Bentler</i> | <i>Nick MacGregor</i>     | <i>David Lane</i>         |
| <i>Tony Hazel</i>   | <i>Stephanie Nagrocki</i> | <i>Dennis Wilson</i>      |
| <i>Jim O'Neill</i>  | <i>Bill Cloven</i>        | <i>Bob Reid</i>           |
| <i>Jim Corder</i>   | <i>Rob Dorting</i>        | <i>Zola Starkey</i>       |
| <i>John Wauters</i> | <i>Heath Hillyard</i>     |                           |
| <i>Jeff Strause</i> | <i>Bill Pinrod</i>        |                           |



**Ding A Lings!**

Forty four volunteers helped ring the bells for the Salvation Army. Together we raised \$4654.32. Total Raised by Salvation Army that day \$6,201.79. The four locations we volunteered at raised the following: Shopko \$1154.29, Wal-Mart South Door \$ 596.30, Wal-Mart North Door \$438.35, Hy-Vee \$1465.38 - Includes the Club donation of \$1,000.



## *Mark Your Calendar...*

4 – Labor Educator, Community Education,  
Robin Clark - Bennett

11 – Nutrition, Michelle Kuster, R.D., L.D.

11 – Birthday Table

16 – Board Meeting, 12 pm @ Bees Stadium

18 – Mechanical Engineering, Doug Martin

25 – Kiwanis District Advocate, Ron Givens

Programs arranged by Sam Larson



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