



# Kiwanis®

## CLUB OF BURLINGTON

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**BurlingtonKiwanis.org**

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#### My Fellow Kiwanians

First a little business. As I announced at our meeting on February 22nd, we have two multi-year pledges that the membership will vote on at our March 8th lunch meeting. We will have some additional information and discussion on our March 1st and 8th meetings prior to the votes.

Motion #1 is regarding the Dankwardt Pool Bubble. Representatives of this project presented to our club last October during the infancy of their campaign. At the time funding was not awarded. However, they have clarified a few topics and once again approached Kiwanis to assist in funding the pool bubble which will provide additional and full lane size swimming opportunities for area youth. As of my writing the motion is to approve a 5-year commitment at \$1,000 per year, for a total of \$5,000 towards the project.

Motion #2 is regarding Bridges out of Poverty. As you may recall, Kiwanis supported this program during it's initial phases with a \$20,000 one-time pledge in the 2015/16 year. After seeing some great success and understanding the dynamics of the program and what efforts need to be maintained to ensure future success of the program and the families impacted by it, they have put forward a \$90,000 annual budget. Part of the original discussion was to help fund the start-up and then re-evaluate after some classes had been completed. No funding was given in the 2016/17 Kiwanis year and we now have a sample of "getting ahead" and "staying ahead" attendees and the impact Bridges is having in the betterment of their life path and that of their families and children. While the classes are largely focused on the adults, there is a child component as day care and other activities are provided for children while the classes are in session. As of my writing the motion is to approve a 3-year commitment at \$20,000 per year, for a total of \$60,000 towards Bridges out of Poverty.

I can tell you that neither of these motions were entered lightly by your board. I am pleased and blessed to have a strong group of our peers reviewing our funding requests and asking appropriate questions. Our mission as a club, and the long term financial health is ever present in the conversation. I think they have done a tremendous job of representing our club. On behalf of our board, I ask that you please make an effort to attend March 8th and vote on the two motions above. Thank you!

It is strange not having the Shamrock Shuffle the lead in the March newsletter. This year marks the earliest date (March 10th) that the 5K fun color run will be held. It is always the Saturday before St. Patrick's Day. The committee has once again done an excellent job in preparation and making a few small twists and tweaks to keep the experience new and exciting for participants. At this point, sponsorship money is in and all that is left is to plea for great weather and VOLUNTEERS! Please consider volunteering, you can find more information on page 2. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces. Registrations remain strong again this year and this event provides an excellent opportunity to share the power that is our Kiwanis club on 1,000 folks! Life is so rich, Jason Strandberg [burlingtonkiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:burlingtonkiwanis@gmail.com)



## ***Volunteer or Participate!*** ***Saturday, March 10, 10 am,*** ***Crapo Park***

***A St. Patrick's Day 5K Run/Walk to Benefit Area Children through Burlington Kiwanis Programs***

### **Event Information**

Presented by Menke & Company, the festive run/walk takes you through bursts of color and you will be full of colors by the completion. This is a non-timed event, taking place rain or shine, dress accordingly. Pets are not allowed. There are No Refunds

### **Online registration**

[getmeregistered.com/KiwanisShamrockShuffle](http://getmeregistered.com/KiwanisShamrockShuffle)

### **Mailed registration**

Kiwanis Shamrock Shuffle PO BOX 15, Burlington, IA 52601  
Must be postmarked by February 24 for early registration & t-shirt

Adults (12 and older)

\$25 after February 28, 12 pm

Youth (5 - 12)

\$20 after February 28, 12 pm

Youth (under 5)

No Charge and does not include event t-shirt

Day of Registration

\$25 March 10 from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Includes

White, long-sleeve t-shirt if registration is received prior to February 28.

**There are No Refunds**

## ***Volunteers Needed***

### ***Thursday, March 8***

We will be stuffing the participant packets after the regular Kiwanis meeting at Community Field in their green building, which is their batting tunnel. This will probably require standing on your feet for an hour or two. You will be gathering papers and t-shirts to put into the packets.



### ***Friday, March 9***      ***Several Shift options between 10:30 - 5:30***

Shuffle runners/walkers will be picking up their participant packets on Friday, March 9. During this time, we need a few volunteers who can sit at the tables to greet the Shuffle participants. We will need a few others to be able to grab each participants' packet out of the alphabetized totes and hand a t-shirt to the participant. (This latter job will require standing during your shift.)

### ***Saturday, March 10***      ***The Biggest Area of Need, all times are roughly 9:15-11:30 am***

\*We will need people to help set out refreshments at the shelter house.

\*We will need people along the race route to direct runners/walkers in the correct directions.

\*We will need people to Throw Color!!! You may get dirty, but it's tons of fun!



***To Volunteer: Contact Michelle Randall, 759-2456***



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# Kiwanis Night Out

Get Your  
Leisure Suits,  
Platform Shoes, and  
Lava Lamps Ready!

Save the Date  
April 28  
Burlington Golf Club

## ***The New Social Hour, Don't Miss the Fun!***

Recently, a few members got together and thought a social hour for Kiwanis members might be fun and a little something different.

All members are invited to relax, meet other members, and have some fun. Please note, all food and beverages are on your own, but the conversation is free!

***Wednesday, March 28 4:35 pm  
Newly Remodeled Sombrero***

## ***Board of Directors Update***

At the February meeting, your Board of Directors approved:

Please welcome Chris Schroeder to our club! Chris is with Rocky Valley Physical Therapy and was invited to join our club by Tom Jones. Thanks, Tom, for inviting others to share in the goodness of Kiwanis! Remember that our New Member Drive is continuing right now.

Your Board of Directors voted to disburse:

- \$500 to the Southeast Iowa Symphony Orchestra to present Music Appreciation assemblies to school children, ages 4th thru 12th grades.
- \$500 to the Burlington Public Library to help with their summer reading program

Respectfully Submitted, Michelle Randall, Secretary

# Mark Your Calendar...

1 – Preschool Social Competency Program,  
Burlington Community School District,  
Aaron Wagner

8 – Dream Catchers, Burlington High  
School, Lorie Bray

8 – Birthday Table

15 – Healthy Neighborhoods Grant, City of

Burlington, Charlie Nichols

20 – Board Meeting, 12 pm@Bees Stadium

22 – FUN DAY!

28 – Social Hour, Sombrero, 4:30 pm

29 – Des Moines County Extension, ISU,  
Mary Weinand

Programs arranged by Geane Cleland



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