



# Kiwanis®

## CLUB OF BURLINGTON

October, 2018

**Burlington Kiwanis**  
**BurlingtonKiwanis.org**

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Fellow Kiwanians –

Writing this first letter as President of this amazing club seems so surreal. As I look back at the list of names that have served in this role, it is hard to believe that my name will soon be on that same list. I am greatly honored to have been placed in this position and thank each of you for trusting in me to be your 2018-2019 club President.

As I take the reins, I must reflect on our outgoing president. It was a pleasure to serve under my friend and co-worker, Jason. He served with a humble heart, and an energetic soul. He challenged us to share your stories and do more to be a part of others'. Some of those stories came from the Kiwanis Socials, which I plan to continue.

I want to congratulate our most recent Leroy Award Winners. Both are well deserving of this prestigious award. Larry Turley has served well in many roles in our club, I'd venture to guess all of them! Karen Erickson has also done a lot for our club over the years and has also stepped up to be the club secretary in the coming year. With that, I also want to thank Michelle for her decade of service in this role.

Along with Karen in her new role, I would also like you all to join me in welcoming our incoming Vice President, George Rinker. George has been an integral part of this club for many years and I am glad to see him get into the President Progression. Please also welcome new board members Geane Cleland, Jan Chubb-Parris, Denny Robertson, and Richard Keith. I look forward to serving with each of you!

As I look to the coming year, I want to concentrate on doing everything we do a little bit better. This is going to be difficult with some things, as we do them so well already. However, if we all give just a little bit more in all we do, just think of how many more lives we can impact. I want us to push a little harder, go a little bigger, and be a little stronger.

I WANT KIWANIS TO ROCK!!!  
 Brent Hartley,  
 burlingtonkiwanis@gmail.com

## **Le Roy Award**

In 2003, our club introduced a recognition award that mirrors and measures everything good as exemplified by its name and the person it emulates.

This award has been given to a select few who go beyond the mediocre and commonplace. This award is a simple acknowledgement, but the person it symbolizes was far from simple.

This award is referred to as the “Le Roy” in honor of one of the many heroes in this Kiwanis Club. Mr. Le Roy Pease, was a true gentleman and a man of distinction in our club, our schools and all over town.

Le Roy was a man that earned respect by all. A man with vision and purpose and a man that represented all that is good. He gave freely and expected little in return. This award recognizes quality and excellence in Kiwanis work over the years. Le Roy Pease was a true Kiwanian story. The 2016-2017 recipient of the Le Roy was awarded to a very deserving individual in late September.



Larry Turley has been an active member in Burlington Kiwanis for many years. He has served as President in 1994-95, however, he began his term as president early, when Clarence Singsank passed away unexpectedly. Larry also served as Sergeant at Arms, volunteered on numerous committees and events over his time in the club.

Larry is married to Linda and he was well known for his men’s clothing store, Turley’s.



Karen Erickson has been active on the board of directors and many committees in her time with the club. She has volunteered for numerous events and has been spotted at many Kiwanis Night Out events playing the part dressed up fabulously for the theme!

Beginning this month, Karen will become the club Secretary. Karen is married to Bob and is the Director of The Nest of Des Moines County.



Congratulations to Larry Turley and Karen Erickson as the 2017-2018 Le Roy Award Recipient.

### **Past Recipients of the Leroy Award**

**2003-2004  
Bob Prall**

**2004-2005  
Dave Vavroch,  
Wyman Weinbeck,  
Gene Van Dewoestyne,  
Bob Reid**

**2005-2006  
Ruth Ann Sandrock,  
Dan Weidemeier**

**2006-2007  
Ed Larson,  
Cliff Calhoun**

**2007-2008  
Jim Garnjobst,  
Phil Bartleson**

**2008-2009  
Tom Cameron**

**2009-2010  
Jim Corder**

**2010-2011  
Lois Blythe**

**2011-2012  
Jerry Parks**

**2012-2013  
Bob Engberg**

**2013-2014  
Sharon Graham**

**2014-2015  
Craig Smith**

**2015-2016  
Kay Sackville Breuer  
Richard Goughnor  
Rod Bell**

**2015-2016  
Rocky Roxlau**

## ***Kiwanis October Blood Drive***

For two weeks, beginning October 1st and ending October 13th, we will be having an in house blood drive at Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center in Burlington. Make sure to tell them that your donation is for the Burlington Kiwanis blood drive and use the code #1035. For an appointment Call Alicia @ 319-758-1157

MVRBC 3407 Agency Street Burlington, IA 52601. Mon, Tues, Wed: Noon - 6:30 p.m.  
Thursday: 7 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Alternating Fri & Sat: 7 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

### ***Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center***



You helped make back to school a reality for Pyper.

She is now 44 months cancer-free, and donors like you helped make that happen. Pyper received eight units of blood and 13 units of platelets during her battle with medulloblastoma, a highly aggressive form of brain cancer.

Every year, more than 40,000 children will undergo treatment for cancer. The number is staggering, but there's something simple you can do to help: Give blood. Oftentimes, these little patients rely on blood transfusions as part of their treatment. Thank you for all you do to help patients like Pyper.

If reading about Pyper is not enough for you to roll up your sleeve and give we have one more incentive for you!

Parkside Brewery has agreed to make October Fest better for our donors by providing a free beer for everyone who donates to the Kiwanis blood drive and uses our #1035. After the blood drive is over we will distribute a ticket for a free beer at the Parkside Brewery.



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

Your Directors and Officers approved the following funding requests at the September board meeting:

- \$250 to ADDS in support of Red Ribbon Week.

A special thank you to the retiring directors and officers who attended their final board meeting. Your service is great appreciated for the betterment of our club.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michelle Randall,  
Secretary



***Social Hour,  
Don't Miss the Fun!  
Come for as long or as short as you want and feel free to bring a guest!  
All food and beverages are on your own, but the conversation is free!***

***Tuesday, October 16, 4:30 pm  
The Drake***

# Mark Your Calendar...

4 New Officer Induction  
Invocation by John Riessen

11 New Riverfront Park, Dave Wiemer  
Invocation by Shauna Frietag

16 Board Meeting, 12 pm@Bees Stadium

16 Social Hour, The Drake, 4:30 pm

18 Des Moines County Regional Solid  
Waste Commission, Hal Morton  
Invocation by Gina Hardin

25 Iowa Works, Deb Fox  
Invocation by Sam Larson

Programs arranged by Dave Wiemer  
Invocations arranged by Lois Blythe



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