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To my fellow Kiwanians:

I hope this finds you well... and warm! Wow, I can't wait for Spring to get her. Warmer weather, birds singing, the "South for Winter" crew coming back for Thursday meetings. Speaking of going South, Dave Weimer will be leaving the club to head to Florida at the end of the month. We will be having a special send-off for him at our March 14th meeting, so I hope you all can make it. Dave, you will surely be missed, and so will your \$5 a month to the Sargent-At-Arms fund.

We are coming off another great month of programs and we have had some really good ones this year! I must shout out a huge THANK YOU to Lois Blythe for leading the charge for a great Pastors Appreciation Day. That was the perfect mix of entertainment, lesson, encouragement, and appreciation to our Faith leaders. Thank you also to the committee that helped Lois put the pieces together for the day.

As we head into March, we have some big things to look forward to...

First up, we will not be having a regular meeting on March 7th, because Kiwanis is hosting the annual Kiwanis Night Out on Saturday, March 9th at the GG Conn Pavilion at Spirit Hollow. This year's committee has put together a unique and fun event for our members and guests that is sure to bring fun to the evening. Our hosts, Dominique Cornick and Kristi Ecklund, along with a fine cast of characters are ready to lead attendees through an exciting murder mystery masquerade ball. Come in costume or in comfort. Participate as much or as little as you like. Either way, it is sure to be an entertaining evening. See you all there!

The following Saturday, on the 16th at 10 am, is our first big fundraiser for the year, The Shamrock Shuffle. For those that aren't aware, this is a family friendly, fun color run that has raised \$15K-\$20K for our club each of the last several years. The committee has been hard at work to put a few changes on the event this year to keep it fresh and is asking for your help in anyway possible. Please contact Michelle Randall to volunteer March 14, 15, or 16. If you want to support the event through participation, register at getmeregistered.com/kiwanisshamrockshuffle Last, but certainly not least, pray for a beautiful day for the run. Fifty degrees and sunshine would be great!!

Finally, please remember to share Kiwanis with everyone you meet. It could be worth \$50 to your favorite local business through our 2018-2019 membership drive!

BRING ON THE SUNSHINE!!!

Brent Hartley, 2018-2019 Burlington Kiwanis President



Sponsor, Volunteer or Participate! Saturday, March 16, 10 am, Crapo Park

Sponsor: Contact Melissa Jones, 759-4162

Volunteer: Contact Michelle Randall, 759-2456

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

Save \$3 when you register online by March 4, 12pm Code: SS19EARLY

Adults (12 and older) \$20 until March 4, 12 pm (Noon) \$25 after March 4, 12 pm Youth (5 - 12) \$15 until March 4, 12 pm (Noon) \$20 after March 4, 12 pm

Youth (under 5) No Charge. Does not include event t-shirt, however liability waiver must be

signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Includes White, long-sleeve t-shirt if registration is received prior to March 4.

Day of Registration \$25 March 16 from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

There are No Refunds

Paper Entry form must be postmarked by February 28 for early registration price and event t-shirt

Volunteers Needed

Thursday, March 14

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 15 Several Shift options between 10:30 - 5:30

Shuffle runners/walkers will be picking up their participant packets on Friday, March 15. 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 16 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!





Kiwanis Blood Drive, "It's the WRITE thing to do"

Our spring blood drive is scheduled for Monday, April 7 - Saturday, April 20. To make a reservation, call or text Kali at 319-850-2457 or e-mail at keastin@mvrbc.org. If you have any questions on your eligibility, Kali can answer them at that time. She will make sure your donation is credited to the Burlington Kiwanis Club. Donations are taken at the Burlington Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center next to Lowe's.

As an incentive all those who use the Kiwanis code 1035 at the time of donation, you will be able to select a unique hand turned wooden writing pen. The pens have been made by Tom Jones of the Got Tools? Workshop. The pen has been a long process in the making, over 35 years. Tom & Linda planted the walnut tree in the yard soon after establishing their home. Tom cared for it over 30 years but it failed to produce walnuts and was dying so it was cut down. The lumber was boarded out and stored for drying out. In 2016 Tom obtained a used wood lathe and started



learning how to use it. In 2019 he upgraded to a new lathe and as a result this pen has come to exist for your use. Use it and enjoy the history of how it arrived in your hands.

Remember, donating blood is the WRITE thing to do!

Board of Directors Update

Your Directors and Officers met and discussed several items in February including the following funding requests:

- \$2,000 for Hamilton Walter Marine Corps League Detachment 616, for their Toys for Tots program.
- \$500 for the Shriner Child ID Program

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Erickson, Secretary

Mark Your Calendar...

- 7 No Meeting, Roundtable @ The Drake
- 9 Kiwanis Night Out, Spirit Hollow
- 14 MedForce Two (Life Flight),Delaney RichardsInvocation by Steve Francis
- 19 Board Meeting, 12 pm@Bees Stadium
- 20 Kiwanis Social, 4:35 pm@Parkeside Brewing

- 21 Great River Health System, Inc., Matt Wenzel, CEO Invocation by David Lane
- 28 Greater Burlington Area Sports Facilities, "The Turf", Joe O'Brien & Andrew Ryerson Invocation by Carol Zaiser

Programs arranged by Jeff Rucker Invocations arranged by Lois Blythe



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