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Win a Ham!

Enter for your chance to win a Ham just in time for Easter when you attend the April 1st club meeting. Sign up at the registration table to enter. Special Thanks to Richard Gougnor for donating the ham.



We would love to see you!

Attendance has picked up as COVID - 19 have declined and more members are being vaccinated. It's been wonderful to reconnect. Measures are still being followed during meetings. Temperatures are taken at the registration table. There is limited seating at each table. Masks are also worn per your comfort level.

Meeting Location and Time

Remember, meetings are now being held at Burlington Golf Club, 2024 Sunnyside Ave, Burlington. The time remains the same with a start time of 12 pm.

April Programs and Invocations

- 1 *Great River Health System, Exciting Changes Ahead, Matt Wenzel, President and CEO
 Program arranged by Dan Wiedemeier
 Invocation by Larry Turley*
 - 8 *Homes for Iowa, Mike Norris, Southeast Iowa Regional Planning Commission and Stephanie Nagrocki, Midwest Realty Group
 Invocation by Jeff Rucker*
 - 15 *Downtown Partners, Amy Moyner, Director
 Invocation by Courtney Gustafson*
 - 20 *Board Meeting, 12 pm @ BGC*
 - 22 *Hope Haven, Bob Bartles, Executive Director
 Invocation by Jason Strandberg*
 - 29 *Summer Live Music Events, David Kroll, Burlington Riverfront Entertainment
 Invocation by Lois Blythe*
- Invocations arranged by Lois Blythe
 Programs arranged by Richard Gougnor*

President's Message

Hi, I'm George

I am really excited about entering April. It means that we are approaching Spring weather and it means we are one month closer to "Kiwaniis Pancake Breakfast." "We are Back!" The Pancake Breakfast will be on the normal day, Memorial Day Saturday. We have changed the serving hours from 6:30AM to 10:30AM to accommodate our historically busiest serving times and to cover the decreasing volunteer times due to membership/volunteer availabilities.



We will also change some serving protocols to keep good service with fewer volunteers by having a "Seconds Table" for those who want seconds servings. This will eliminate the need for several volunteers who historically patrolled the tables with pancakes and sausage. It will also keep the Seconds serving products warmer. As of right now we will need coffee refill servers patrolling tables to serve coffee. We will also offer individual packets of syrup instead of open bottles of syrup on the tables handled by multiple people.



We will continue our historical seating arrangements and allow patrons to seat themselves as they wish. They may wear masks as they prefer. We will have hand washing stations in place for both volunteers and patrons.

Our goal is to offer our community an opportunity to get out of the house and take a step toward getting back to normal. To offer our continued high quality breakfast products and service while enhancing safety and comfort level.

To accomplish this successful event we need your help by volunteering and bringing a friend and/or family member to help volunteer. Traditionally it takes about 150 volunteers to accomplish the event. With decreasing club membership at about 105 members you can see that we need help. Please do what ever you can to help. One of many thing I know about this club is that we always pull together to get the job done when necessary. Thank you to all of you for what you do to make this the greatest service club in our community.

Let's have a great breakfast event. George

Fingers Crossed, Shamrock Shuffle will return

The Annual Shamrock Shuffle has been postponed, but plans are in place for a late summer event, kicking off Back to School.

Volunteers are visiting with previous sponsors to gauge interest level. If sponsorships come in as normal and meet a budgetary goal, the committee will proceed with a date announcement in late spring.

If you or your business have been a past sponsor or are interested in sponsoring the 2021 event, let Brent Hartley, chair, or one of the committee meembers know and we will add it to our goal sheet.

Board of Directors Update

Your Directors and Officers have continued to meet and have approved the following funding requests at the February and March board meetings.

The following are services and programs of the Kiwanis Club:

The Aid to the Needy, the program that allows school nurses to purchase items for students, supported \$467.02 in February and \$887.23 in January.

Outside Organization Funding Requests:

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services was awarded \$150 for their Summer Career Boot Camp Program. Southeast Iowa high school students, ages 14-21 years old, will participate in career based activities such as: engage in virtual presentations, tours, volunteer and interactive activities to learn essential work skills.

The Club gave its annual gift to the Kiwanis Children's Fund in the amount of \$1,000, for year-end 2021.

The Burlington Little League was awarded \$300, for a 2021 Season Sponsorship. This donation will be used for a 30" x 48" field banner; which will be displayed on the fields fencing throughout the entire season

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Erickson, Secretary