



Kiwanis Club of Gaylord  
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**We Build**

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Meeting minutes for February 11th 2010: Members present were Gary, Grant, Bill, Scott, George, Jack, Don, Gil, Fred, Judy K., Rich, Judi, Pat & Jim McBride, Duane Cohorst, Janet, Jetre, Bob Miller, Matt, Dean, Bob, Lynn, and Chuck.

A new thing we will be doing is a small fine session that will be handled by Duane Jasinski. This is just to have a little fun. It is one of the few ways we can raise administrative funds. So please do not get upset.

Rich has made arrangements to hold a pool & pizza party at the Sportsplex for our Boy Scout Troop. It will be on February 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. We try to do this each year to reward them for all of their help that they give us. Are there any volunteers to go and represent the Kiwanis club?

February 20<sup>th</sup> is the date that Pat and Lynn have picked for the snowmobile/car Fun Run. Flyers are already out. Scott took the flyers that still had to be put out. He will distribute them to the business places that still need them. It will have a base at the Sportsmen's Club on Old Alba Road. A spaghetti dinner will follow the event. The public is welcome. The cost is \$6.00. We will also have raffle tickets and do a 50-50 sale. The club members must volunteer for this to make it a success. This is a Kiwanis event and it would be nice to be well represented. At the next meeting a sheet will be passed around to sign up for helping out at this event. You do not have to have a snowmobile to help.

The 20<sup>th</sup> is going to be a busy day. We should be in three different places. There is a workshop in Mt. Pleasant, a 75<sup>th</sup> birthday party in West Branch, and of course our Snowmobile fund raiser.

Now I need to bring up a touchy subject, breakfast at BJ's. Bob Elam came to Dean and myself with a concern. There were 24 Kiwanians at this meeting and only 11 people ate. I know there are always reasons that we can give for not eating breakfast. Some say they don't want to eat so early, It is too expensive, the same things are on the buffet every week, and so on. Let's face reality. Bob Elam is running a business. His job is to offer a good meal. He had to say something. He can not have a waitress, a cook, and prepare the buffet and then end up throwing almost all of it away. He is not charging us for the room, he is not asking for a guarantee, he just wants to be treated fair. He may have to go back to a plate instead of the buffet. We will have to order one meal at a time and then hopefully have time to eat and run a meeting. The amount that Bob is charging us is \$6.50. This pays for everything including the tip. The extra .50 cents is to help pay for our guests and program's meals. We also have a treasurer that does not deal with change well.

I have heard it all. The Sugar Bowl, The Big boy, and maybe some others: only charges \$3.99. Well they do not have room for us to meet, they charge extra for the coffee (\$2.49 at the Sugar Bowl). And they really do not want us there. They have to provide staff and pay that staff to take care of us. Let us see \$3.99, \$2.00, and a tip is well approaching \$7.00. We still do not have a place to have our meetings. Bob Elam has welcomed us back twice after we left to go to other places. He welcomed us back, gave us the idea to change how we were thinking about meeting places and times. He also will not get rich from having us there. He just would be satisfied to break even. Please rethink and voice your concerns. We will listen. But you must also realize that we need BJ's. If I have made anybody mad, I apologize. We have to face facts. The facts are 7 new members so far and more new members' ready to join, and instead of 8 or 10 people to a meeting we are seeing 20-25. We are all adults and we all must be willing to give a little.

*The only way to keep your health is to eat what you don't want, drink what you don't like, and do what you'd rather not. - Mark Twain*  
*This might also apply to keeping a healthy Kiwanis club.*

***Below is a description of another part of the Kiwanis family.  
K-Kids***

***History of K-Kids***

***K-Kids, a Kiwanis club sponsored program, has seen steady growth since its inception in 1990. Begun in Florida, where 1998-99 Kiwanis Governor Lamar Fisher developed the program and provided continuing support, K-Kids soon spread to other Kiwanis districts. As a result of its growth, K-Kids was adopted as a sponsored program on October 1, 1998. The first club chartered by International was the K-Kids Club of Brooksville Elementary School in Florida.***

***Today, in addition to the US, there are clubs in Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Canada, Italy, Jamaica, Malaysia, Martinique, Nigeria, the Philippines, and Trinidad and Tobago. There are over 600 K-Kids clubs across the world!***

***The K-Kids' motto is "We Build," and its objectives are:***

- \* To provide opportunities for working together in service to school and community.***
- \* To develop leadership potential.***
- \* To foster the development of strong moral character.***
- \* To encourage loyalty to school, community, and nation.***

2009 Heidi Ho Nut Sales Report

Total cases ordered	70	Total number of cans	420
\$20.00 per can	<b>\$8,400.00</b>		
Cost per can \$15 =	\$6,440.00		

Sales:

Northwestern Bank	\$1,240.00	
Fifth Third Bank	\$1,320.00	
Club Members	\$1,880.00	
Otsego Co Abstract	\$ 80.00	
Independent Bank	\$3,740.00	
Club donation	\$ 140.00	7 cans @ \$20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,400.00</b>	

Bank deposits	\$8,260.00	+ \$140.00 = \$8,400.00
Less: cost	<u>\$6,440.00</u>	

Net Profit to Club: **\$1,820.00**

**Submitted by: j Lucier**

***Yours in Kiwanis,  
Bob Wilson***