



Kiwanis Club of Gaylord

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We Build

11/17/2011. The Kiwanians present were: Gary, Brian, Patty, & Jim, Howard M., Paul, Bill, Fred, Jessica, Scott, Mandi, Pat and Duane, Rob, Eric, Don, Diann, Jetre, Lynn, Chuck, Gil, Jack, Judi, Matt, and Bob. My apologies if I missed anyone.

Our guest speaker was Darla Edwards. She presented a program on Lutheran Family Services. She told us about how and why a child is taken out a bad family situation and placed with an adoptive family. Darla expressed the need for duffle bags or suitcases that are in god condition for the packing of children clothes and personal items when they are taken out of a home or moved into a foster home. When they leave now all of what they can carry it put in a trash bag. This sends the wrong message to the youth, they are not garbage. It was a good program.

Interclubs: Don advised us that we will not have any interclubs for the month of December. The traveling interclubs will resume in January. We want to start having interclubs with our own Aktion club. I will be posting when these meetings are. We would like to see as many Kiwanians as possible volunteer to do an interclub with every Aktion club meeting. They are part of our Kiwanian family and we need to step up to the plate and help Lynn, Jen, and Pat with these meetings.

Hi Guys,

The next Aktion club meeting is December 8th. This meeting will be our Christmas party. I am getting them a small gift and some cookies for the day. We planned some games and we will have a sing along too. I think the meeting for the Aktion club on the 22nd will be canceled because we are trying to set up a date that week to go to the workshop and host a Christmas sing along with them. We are going to provide them with cookies and cocoa on that day too.

That's all I know for now!

Lynn

As you can see our Aktion club stays busy. The meetings start at 10:30 and a lunch is served at 11:30. Lunch has a huge, large, very big cost of \$3.00, and Judy provides a great meal. So show your support and gain some insight and inspiration from these young adults.

Hey Bob,

Next message to the troops please let them know that my biggest need for help will be this Friday (9th) at noon to collect from the schools and then to sort the goods in the afternoon until 5:00. Please meet us at 12:00pm at the old Kindergarten center in front of South Maple. Also on Saturday the (10th) we need help to sort and count the goods from noon to 5:00. Spouses, friends, and kids are welcome.

After the weekend

Monday the (12th) thru Thursday the (15th) 1:00 until 5:00 we will need as much help as possible.

Thanks,
Scott

Christmas basket time is just around the corner. Times and schedule will be posted in this newsletter.

December 9th - We will pick up cans from the schools.

December 9th- through 15th - The store will be open from noon – 5:00pm to sort and pack.

December 17th and 18th - We will hand out baskets Please Call Judi at 732-1576 or sign up on the signup sheet that will be passed around at our morning meetings.

Here are our program speakers that have agreed to join us.

12/8 Vicky Glasser Visions for your community health care

12/15 Kiwanis education

12/22 Kyle Johnston Gaylord Discovery Center also our Scholarship recipients will be our guests. Say hello to them and give them a good Kiwanis feeling for the Christmas season.

Patty I hope you have noticed I have learned how to spell!

Patty also brought us a request. There are people that are packing small gifts for our wounded troops. Where they are located this time of year does not make a difference. Items need to be brought in to Patty tomorrow.

1= Non toiletries, except baby wipes

2=Non perishable snacks

3=Baked goods (cookies and such)

4=Hand held video games

5=Puzzle books, books and magazines

6=Cracker Jack

7=Money for shipping

8=Thank you cards and letters, and pictures

9=anything else that you think someone would enjoy that is lying in a hospital bed away from family and home. Please make it easy to open.

This is short notice, but I'm sure we can all find something these young people would enjoy.

January 11th the business after hours will be held at the terminal at our airport. Matt will be the host, and he sure would appreciate some Kiwanis support. It will be catered by Alpine Tavern. We are a part of the Chamber and there is a minimal cost to attend and enjoy Gaylord. It is a meeting that is meant to prepare for the Wings over Gaylord Air show. The air show will be held in 2012 on June 15, 16, and 17. Matt will find out for us if we could display our Kiwanis flag at this event.

Chuck Bump is a busy (retired) man! He is on the go all of the time. Our BUG program, Terrific Kids, The Kiwanis Reading program, The Big Brothers and Big Sisters Lunch Buddy, teaching a bio chemistry class at the M-Tec center are just part of what this gentleman gives back to the community. Now he is also involved with a Theatre production of Escanaba in the Moonlight. I believe he is the director. He is asking if the Kiwanis members would like to make Thursday January 26th a Spouse night and attend a performance at Michawye Inn the Woods restaurant. There would be a meal to purchase as well as tickets to buy. If there is interest, we can find out costs and other details at a later time. We need to get back to enjoying each other's company, with the special people that we have chosen to call our friends. Give it some thought and let either Rob or myself know. We need to make a decision.

Chuck has also brought forth an idea on improving the baseball field at the North Ohio School. We will bring it up at some regular meetings. We would like the members input on this project.

Chuck has also found out the Court Drug Program has lost its state funding. I do not know if we have any funds available to use. We however might be able to help in other ways. Kevin the young gentleman that I invited to speak is an example of a success. George Shima was one of the first Kiwanians that took me under his wings. He stated that a program such as this is a success if it only helps out one human being. It is not for us to judge but to help and encourage any way we can. He was speaking to me on my negative thoughts on the Christmas basket program.

As you can see we have a lot on our plate this year and I encourage you all to look deep inside of yourselves and volunteer your time, talents, and money, to whatever or whoever needs help.

Mandi Kole, Paul Kaczanowski, and Brian Webber are our newest members. Say hello and welcome them to Kiwanis. We also have two other new Kiwanians from last month. They are Jessica Noeske and Eric Clink. It is great to see these people commit to serving others.

"Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad."

Yours in Kiwanis

Bob Wilson