



Kiwanis Club of Gaylord
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We Build

The meeting for December 3rd 2009 was cancelled. Instead of a regular meeting for breakfast, we had a Christmas party at the Gaylord Eagles Club. We all had a very good time. For those that missed the party and auction, all I can say is I wish you could have attended... We were entertained by a large group of the Harmony Meisters. They sang and entertained for over an hour. They even led the start of our party with God Bless America. The food was great. Thanks to Judy, who is the cook for the Eagles.

There were two of the teachers and their husbands who were in attendance. There teachers are the new Key Club Advisors from the Gaylord High School. They are Karen Belleau and Karen Menkes. The third advisor Amy Holscher was unable to attend. It's great to see the teachers excited about the new Key Club.

The White Elephant Auction was a success. Gil was the auctioneer. He always does a great job. \$311.00 was raised for the Administration fund. Chuck found out that everything went for more than \$5.00. This is an idea that Gil came up with a few years ago. It has always been fun. Thanks to Gil.

There will not be a program for the next meeting on the 10th. There will be a board meeting. Also Judi and Scott will need time to fill us in on the basket program and tie up any loose ends. Try to be at the meeting. We need to know what needs to be covered to make this worthwhile program happen.

December 11th Scott will need help with the gathering of the canned goods from all of the local schools. From the 11th to the actual basket packing Scott needs help setting up the store. The store is at the Board Office on Elm Street, across from the United Way building.

On the 15th or 16th the potatoes will be picked up at Kitchen Farms. I believe Duane Jasinski will be the person who will need help with this part of the project.

December 17th will be the actual basket packing. Please bring cookies to share, and maybe a thermos of coffee or hot chocolate. We should eat before we come. There will not be any pizza.

The 18th, 19th, and the 20th of December will be the dates that we will need help with the distributing of the baskets to the families that need them.

December 24th and December 31st are the days before each holiday. We are supposed to have a meeting. There are no options. There are things that can be done that will satisfy this mandate. This needs to be decided at December's Board meeting. There will be no programs for these two meetings.

January 7th will be the Board meeting.

January 14th the guest will be Ed Doss from The MSU Extension.

January 21st the guest will be Tim O'Donnell from The Sportsplex Aquatic Director.

January 27th the guest will be Lynn Totten from The Children's Bereavement Network.

One of the days this month we will need to have an interclub to another Kiwanis Club. We need two interclubs a month to assure a Round Robin in our Division. This is to learn how other Kiwanis Clubs conduct business, and to make friends with people that have our values. A lot of the new and better ideas come from the ride to and from these meetings. Call George Bour if you are interested in joining him for an interclub. His phone number at home is 989-732-6084. His phone number at work is 989-732-1576.

Jackie Bliss had tests done on December 2nd. She did real well but, a phone call to cheer her up would help. Her phone number is 989-983-4502.

**A person without a sense of humor is like a wagon
without springs, jolted by every pebble in the road.**

~ Henry Ward Beecher

Bob Wilson