

### The Kiwanis Club of Delray Beach - Sunrise

"Where Ordinary People Provide Extraordinary Service" - Celebrating 38 Years of Service

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### Kibblez Assists Families To Feed Their Pets



Our program on sented by Angelina Wilson, the founder & President of Kibblez of Love, a Pet Food Bank. You may have heard the phrase " A voice

for the voiceless", that's Angelina! Kibblez of Love helps pet parents by providing pet food and assisting with spay and neuter surgeries if needed. One of Kibblez's goals is to assist pet owners to not ever have to surrender their pets into an animal shelter. Animal shelters are supposed to care for the well being of all animals who enter their doors. This does not always occur tion, go to www.kibblezoflove.org. however. Most owners who surrender

their pets to the shelter don't realize May 2nd was pre- what a traumatic experience it is for your former family member. Also, did you know that your beloved pet doesn't even stand a chance to be adopted most times? That's right, owner surrenders are often given ZERO time

> before they face euthanasia. Angelina wanted to stop people from feeling that this is the only option, it isn't so, and she is



here to help you keep your fur members with you, at home surrounded by love and comfort. For more informa-

### Girls Get Help Through "Winners By Design"

Our May 9th program was presented by Barbara Haider, the CEO/Founder of successes and to the One Love-One Community Foundation. The non-profit foundation funds the "Winners By Design" (WBD) mentoring program for girls. Their mission is to develop girls into role models for their peers, family and communities by providing the guidance, programs and

resources needed for their personal betterment. They provide programs that emcourage leadership, personal growth and education. They encourage community.org. the girls in their program to focus on

their personal avoid participating in "at risk" behaviors such as use of drugs and alcohol, sexual activity, truancy, violence



and other criminal activites.

The "Winners by Design" program is a free program for all participants. While funded by One Love-One Community, the programs are sustained through fundraising, donations, corporate & individual sponsorships and grants. For more information or to help out, you may call Barbara Haider at 954-607-8989 or email her at msbhaider@love-

# Changing lives. Building communities. Making a difference.

On May 23rd, we welcomed Lottie Gatewood as our program speaker, representing the Achievement Centers for Children & Families. For 40 years the Achievement Centers for Children & Families have supported the low-income community of Delray Beach, Florida. What started out as a childcare



Lottie Gatewood

center in 1969 with only 20 children has now evolved into a social services agency serving over 700 children and 150 adults. Their programs and services help families make life altering changes. They provide affordable childcare, afterschool programs, adult education and resources to

help families seek the

assistance they need. Their vision is to break the cycle of poverty and help families realize economic self-sufficiency while preparing their children for academic success.

Programs are offered at their Lake Ida campus and

the Beacon Center at Village Academy. All children and youth are provided a safe and nurturing environment with



screened, experienced, credentialed staff. The Centers' services are designed to offer assistance and create a partnership with families. Every family with a child in their program pays an income-based fee, sometimes as little as \$5.00 per week.

They currently have an Adopt-A-Class opportunity, where you can help provide much needed support. For more information, go to www.delraychild.org.

I would like to share an experience with you about drinking and driving.

As you well know, some of us have been known to have had brushes with the authorities on the way home from social events over the years.

Last night, I was out for a few drinks with some friends and had some rather nice red wine.

Knowing full well I may have been slightly over the limit, I did something I've never done before: I took a bus home. Sure enough I passed a police road block but as it was a bus, they waved it past.

I arrived home safely without incident which was a real surprise, as I have never driven a bus before and am not sure where I got it.

### Got Culture? Volunteers Needed!

Our program on May 30th was presented by Jeanne Monte from the Program of Academic Exchange (PAX). There are 22 students, 14-17 years old coming to stay in Palm Beach County from Spain, for 4 weeks. Families are needed to host each student during their stay. The students will enjoy field trips and the exchange of ideas/cultures with their host families. To volunteer or to just help out, contact Jeanne at 561-



Jeanne Monte

213-0412 or dreamandgrow@gmail.com. Make the difference in the life of one student.

### \$\$\$ Happy Dollars \$\$\$



### **Birthdays:**

June 6 - Scott Youngberg
June 9 - Bob Hagel

June 10 - Dale Morrison
Bob Laseter

**June 11**- Jose Herrera Susan Ruby

June 18 - Priscilla Sabates June 21 - Marsha Krieg

June 26 - Barbara Schooler

### Wedding Anniversaries:

June 3 - Brian & Thuy Shutt

### Membership Anniversaries:

June 1- Mary Minieka

<u>May 2nd Meeting:</u> Lots of happy folks today...Ray Osterlund caught his first Cobia in a long, long time. Ernie Galinis hopes to get a Cobia this weekend. Ben Ruby put in for Ernie's birthday. Ezra Krieg had a dollar for Ben. Visitor Jim Patten was happy the Arkansas Coach was replaced. Dale Morrison was promoting the Delray Chamber of Commerce. Jeff Goldman cheered on the Miami Heat. Terrill Pyburn was late and STILL Happy!

<u>May 9th Meeting:</u> This was a SCARY meeting! We had a very low turnout. It was somewhat embarrassing for our speaker, who came down from Riviera Beach. **Carlene Laseter** was happy for the two successful BUGS programs our club sponsored. **Ben Ruby** said he saw **Susan Ruby** this morning and that she was happy. **Ray Osterlund** had his usual late dollar and **Terrill Pyburn** was happy she was not part of an accident she passed on the way to our meeting. Finally, **Ezra Krieg** announced that he is the newly employed Director of the PBC Homeless Shelter. Congratulations Ezra!

May 16th Meeting: Jay Alperin was happy to be going on a fishing trip to the Bahamas along with Ray Osterlund and Scott Youngberg. It's the first time in over a year that he is able to go fishing. Ray had his usual late dollar. Ben Ruby announced the great time he and Susan had over in Cape Coral visiting family. Dale Morrison's daughter is home from college and Ernie Galinis was happy for the Atlantic High School baseball team. They reached the regional state playoffs for the first time since 1988. And Ezra Krieg announced his son Max was going to be playing for the State championship in soccer. Finally, **Steve Rubin** put in a dollar for every year he has been a member - 28 years! WOW! May 23rd Meeting: Ernie Galinis notified us that Atlantic lost in the regionals, but was still happy for their achievement. Steve Rubin put in for Regina Sablo, the only member to make the Lantana Interclub. See his comments on page 4. Dale Morrison put in for Regina as well. Jay Alperin, Ray Osterlund and Scott Youngberg survived their Bahamas fishing trip and Carlene Laseter had her babies visiting and she's still smiling. Ezra Krieg's son Max and his soccer team won the State Championship for the under 14 division. Fantastic!

May 30th Meeting: Ray Osterlund blamed too many bike riders on A1A for being late. Dale Morrison "Let's Go Heat". Ernie Galinis is going for a ride on the Goodyear blimp and Carlene Laseter's daughter-in-law completed a 1/2 marathon. Terrill Pyburn was happy she beat Ray & Steve Rubin to the meeting this morning (Actually, they opened the door for her like the gentlemen they are). Finally, Ezra Krieg's son Max and his soccer team just won a tournament in Philadelphia.

### Other Doings.....



On May 2nd & 30th, we were happy to see **Jim Van Patten** who was visiting our club from the Delray Noon-Time club.



May 16th, **Steve Rubin** put in a Happy dollar for every year he has been a member - 28 years! Thanks Steve....Let's have a party!



Our club is looking really "Spiffy" these days. We have new shirts in assorted colors. If you missed out, let Scott Youngberg know and we will get you "Spiffed".

### **Calendar Of Events**

**June 21** - **InterClub -** Gold Coast Knights, 7 p.m.

Deerfield Country Club

50 Fairway Drive, Deerfield Beach

June 27-30 ...... Kiwanis International Convention

**New Orleans** 

July 19-Interclub - Delray Beach Noon-Time,

12:15 p.m.

Duffy's Sports Grill

1750 S. Federal Hwy., Delray

August 9-12 ...... Florida District Convention

Tampa, Fl.

**August 23- Interclub -** Boca Raton Sunrise, 7:30 a.m.

Boca Raton Train Depot 747 S. Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton

I went fishing this morning, but after a short time I ran out of worms. Then, out of the corner of my eye, I saw a cottonmouth with a frog in his mouth.

"Frogs are good bass bait," I thought to myself. Knowing the snake couldn't bite me with the frog in his mouth, I grabbed him right behind the head, took the frog, and put it in my bait bucket.

Just then, I realized I had a problem: how was I going to release the snake without getting bit? So, I grabbed my bottle of Jack Daniels and poured a little whiskey in its mouth. The snake's eyes rolled back and he went limp.

I released him into the lake without incident and carried on fishing using the frog. A little later, I felt a nudge at my foot. There was that same snake with two more frogs in its mouth.

Life is good in the South.

### **Upcoming Meeting Programs**

**June 6** We have a program, but I don't know what it is. I will explain later.

June 13 Scleroderma Foundation

June 20 Scott's Trip to Greece, Part 2

June 27 Need Program

Please contact Ezra Krieg, 954-260-8838 if you have a program idea for our meetings.

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall,
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
All the king's horses
And all the king's men.

Had scrambled eggs, For breakfast again.

### Did You Know.....?

This Year we celebrate 25 years of Women in Kiwanis.

Soon after Kiwanis' founding in 1915, women were attending meetings and volunteering, but they were not permitted to be members. In 1987, Kiwanis opened its membership and women have played active roles ever since.



#### **BY THE NUMBERS:**

More than 8,500 women joined Kiwanis clubs in that first administrative year, 1987-88.

By 1994, 40,000 women were serving as Kiwanians. By 1997, 49,000 women were Kiwanians-nearly 15 percent of the organization's total membership. By the end of their first decade as members, women filled 17 percent of the lieutenant governor positions and 16.5 percent of club president roles.



## Interclubs

Steve Rubin, Chairman

Dear Members,

We almost had an interclub with the Lantana/Hypoluxo club in May. We have to recognize **Regina Sablo**, the only member who attended the meet-



ing at 7 am, and upheld the honor of our club. She has been granted permanent immunity from involuntary servitude as the next President or Vice President of the Club. Way to go Gina!.....and Thanks.

### Here's our Interclub schedule for the rest of the year:

June 21 - Gold Coast Knights, 7 p.m.

Deerfield Country Club

50 Fairway Drive, Deerfield Beach

July 19 - Delray Beach Noon-Time, 12:15 p.m.
Duffy's Sports Grill
1750 S. Federal Hwy., Delray

August 23 - Boca Raton Sunrise, 7:30 a.m. Boca Raton Train Depot 747 S. Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton

**September 18** - Lake Worth, 8 a.m. Two Jays Restaurant 419 Lake Ave., Lake Worth

See You There!

Respectfully,

Steve Rubin, Interclub Chair

### Do You Know Me?.....

Some would say It's Mr. "This Day In History". But, Au Contraire Mon Ami.........



It's the Famous **Ezra Krieg**, the new Executive Director of the Lewis Homeless Resource Center in West Palm Beach.

Congratulations Ezra!

### Membership

**Terrill Pyburn - Chairperson** 

# Show N' Tell: What's Kiwanis?

It's easy to explain Kiwanis with a handy and fun visual aid.

Check out the following You Tube links:

"It starts with one"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xxMPzuPUNP4

"Why"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qudmb3on9fE&NR=1&feature=fvwp

### "One Can Make A Difference"

http://www.youtube.com/watch? feature=endscreen&v=OYGyDBBUTwk&NR=1

"How"

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eftmiryjjDQ&feature=relmfu

Just cut & paste the URL's from this newsletter into your browser. Who knows, it just might be what you need to find a new member for our club. Give it a shot!

There were two blondes going to California for the summer, they are about two hours into the flight and the pilot gets on the intercom and says we just lost an engine but it is all right we have three more but it will take us an hour longer. A half hour later he gets on the intercom again and says we just lost another engine but its all right we have two more it will take us another half hour though. One of the blondes says "If we lose the two last engines we will be up here all day"



### 50/50 Winners:

Here are the holders of the "Winning Tickets" for last month:



May 2 - Brian Shutt (Gave to AVDA)

May 9 - Brian Shutt (Mr. 2 Time-Gave to AVDA)

May 16 - Dale Morrison

May 23 - Scott (The Man) Youngberg

May 30 - Carlene Laseter

### Krieg's Korner

As a regular feature of our weekly meetings, Ezra Krieg brings us up to date with what happened on

"This Date in History".

Here are a few interesting items from the past few weeks:

#### <u> May 2:</u>

**1611** Is the popularly accepted publication date of the Authorized King James Version of the Bible.

**1670** The Hudson Bay Co. was chartered by England's King Charles II.

**1863** Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson was accidentally wounded by his own men at Chancellorsville, Va. He died eight days later.

1890 The Oklahoma Territory was organized.

1932 Jack Benny's first radio show debuted on the NBC Blue Network.

**1941** General Mills began shipping a new cereal called "Cheerioats" to six test markets. (The cereal was later renamed "Cheerios.")

**1945** The Soviet Union announced the fall of Berlin and the Allies announced the surrender of Nazi troops in Italy and parts of Austria.

.982 The Weather Channel debuted.

**1997** Tony Blair became, at age 44, Britain's youngest prime minister in 185 years.

#### **Birthdays:**

1924 Theodore Bikel, Actor, turns 88

1936 Engelbert Humperdinck, Singer, turns 76

**1946** Lesley Gore, Singer, turns 66

1948 Larry Gatlin, Country singer, turns 64

**1950** Lou Gramm, Rock singer (Foreigner), turns 62

1972 Dwayne Johnson, Actor , wrestler "The Rock", turns 40

**1975** David Beckham, Soccer player, turns 37

#### May 9:

**1502** Christopher Columbus left Cadiz, Spain, on his fourth and final trip to the Western Hemisphere.

**1913** The 17th amendment to the Constitution, providing for the popular election of U.S. senators, was ratified.

**1926** Americans Richard Byrd and Floyd Bennett made what they claimed was the first airplane flight over the North Pole. (Evidence suggests they may have missed their target by 150 miles.)

1936 Italy annexed Ethiopia.

**1961** Federal Communications Commission chairman Newton N. Minow condemned TV programming as a "vast wasteland" in a speech to the National Association of Broadcasters.

**1974** The House Judiciary Committee opened hearings on whether to recommend the impeachment of President Richard Nixon.

**1974** A concert in Cambridge, Mass., prompted rock critic Jon Landau to write, "I saw rock and roll future and it's name is Bruce Springsteen."

**1978** The bullet-riddled body of former Italian prime minister Aldo Moro, who'd been abducted by the Red Brigades, was found in an automobile in the center of Rome.

**1994** South Africa's newly-elected parliament chose Nelson Mandela to be the country's first black president.

**2010** Dallas Braden pitched the 19th perfect game in major league history, leading the Oakland Athletics in a 4-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays.

#### **Birthdays:**

1936 Albert Finney, Actor, turns 76

1936 Glenda Jackson, Actress, turns 76

1946 Candice Bergen, Actress ("Murphy Brown"), turns 66

1948 Calvin Murphy, Basketball Hall of Famer, turns 64

**1949** Billy Joel, Rock singer, musician, turns 63

**1951** Alley Mills, Actress ("The Wonder Years"), turns 61

**1960** Tony Gwynn, Baseball Hall of Famer, turns 52

1984 Prince Fielder, Baseball player, turns 28

### May 16:

1770 Marie Antoinette, age 14, married the future King Louis XVI of France, who was 15.

**1868** The U.S. Senate failed by one vote to convict President Andrew Johnson as it took its first ballot on one of 11 articles of impeachment against him. (He was acquitted of all charges.)

**1920** Joan of Arc was canonized.

**1929** The first Academy Awards were presented during a banquet at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel.

**1975** Japanese climber Junko Tabei became the first woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest.

**1991** Queen Elizabeth II became the first British monarch to address the U.S. Congress.

**2003** Five simultaneous suicide attacks claimed the lives of 33 victims and a dozen suicide bombers in Casablanca, Morocco.

**2005** Newsweek magazine retracted a story that claimed investigators had found evidence the Quran was desecrated by interrogators at the U.S. naval prison at Guantanamo Bay. The story had sparked deadly protests in Afghanistan.

#### **Birthdays:**

1931 Lowell Weicker, Former Conn. gov. ,U.S. senator, turns 81

**1953** Pierce Brosnan, Actor, turns 59

**1955** Olga Korbut, Gymnast, turns 57

1955 Debra Winger, Actress, turns 57

1964 Boyd Tinsley, musician (The Dave Matthews Band), turns 48

**1966** Janet Jackson, Singer, turns 46

1970 Gabriela Sabatini, Tennis Hall of Famer, turns 42

1973 Tori Spelling, Actress ("Beverly Hills 90210"), turns 39

**1986** Megan Fox, Actress, turns 26

#### May 23:

**1430** Joan of Arc was captured by the Burgundians, who sold her to the English. **1533** The marriage of England's King Henry VIII to Catherine of Aragon was declared null and void.

1701 Captain William Kidd was hanged in London after being convicted of piracy and murder.

1788 South Carolina became the eighth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

**1873** Canada's North West Mounted Police force was established.

**1934** Bank robbers Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow were shot to death in a police ambush as they were driving a stolen Ford Deluxe along a road in Bienville Parish, La.

**1945** Nazi official and SS chief Heinrich Himmler committed suicide while imprisoned in Luneburg, Germany.

1949 The Federal Republic of Germany (West Germany) was established.

 ${f 1960}$  Israel announced it had captured former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann in Argentina.

**2005** Actor Tom Cruise jumped on the couch while declaring his love for actress Katie Holmes on "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

**2010** The final episode of the supernatural castaway drama "Lost" aired on ABC.

#### Birthdays:

1933 Joan Collins, Actress ("Dynasty"), turns 79

1936 Charles Kimbrough, Actor ("Murphy Brown"), turns 76

1944 John Newcombe, Tennis Hall of Famer, turns 68

1945 Lauren Chapin, Actress ("Father Knows Best"), turns 67

**1952** Marvin Hagler, Boxing Hall of Famer, turns 60

**1958** Drew Carey, Actor,, game show host, turns 54

**1973** Maxwell, R&B singer, turns 39

1974 Jewel, Singer, turns 38

#### May 30:

 ${\bf 1431}\,\,$  Joan of Arc, condemned as a heretic, was burned at the stake in Rouen, France.

**1539** Spanish explorer Hernando De Soto landed in Florida.

**1854** The territories of Nebraska and Kansas were established.

**1922** The Lincoln Memorial was dedicated in Washington, D.C.

1982 Spain became NATO's 16th member.

1982 Cal Ripken Jr. of the Baltimore Orioles played in the first of a record 2,632 consecutive major league baseball games.

**1989** Student demonstrators at Tiananmen Square in Beijing erected a 33-foot statue they called the "Goddess of Democracy."

**1997** Child molester Jesse K. Timmendequas was convicted in Trenton, N.J., of raping and strangling a 7-year-old neighbor, Megan Kanka. (The case inspired "Megan's Law," which requires that communities be notified when sex offenders move in.)

**2002** A solemn, wordless ceremony marked the end of the cleanup at Ground Zero in New York, 8 1/2 months after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

**2006** A jury in Rockville, Md., convicted John Allen Muhammad of six of the Washington-area sniper killings.

#### **Birthdays:**

1943 Gale Sayers, Football Hall of Famer, turns 69

1953 Colm Meaney, Actor, turns 59

**1972** Trey Parker, Actor, turns 40

**1972** Manny Ramirez, Baseball player, turns 40

**AND....**"If you're sitting in a bar this afternoon, like Jay and his friends will be doing....." and Wynonna Judd, Country singer comes in, We hope that you will buy her a "Country Style Razzle-Dazzle" drink, as she is 48 years old today.



### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

### Mayonnaise Jar& Two Beers...

When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and the 2 Beers. A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, he wordlessly picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous 'yes.'

The professor then produced two Beers from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed. 'Now,' said the professor as the laughter subsided, 'I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life.

The golf balls are the important things---your family, your children, your health, your friends and your favorite passions---and if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full.

The pebbles are the <u>other things that matter like your job</u>, your house and your car. The sand is everything else---the small stuff. 'If you put the sand into the jar first,' he continued, 'there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls.

The same goes for life.

If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Spend time with your children. Spend time with your parents. Visit with grandparents. Take your spouse out to dinner. Play another 18 holes of golf. There will always be time to clean the house, fix the disposal or deal with things from your job.

<u>Take care of the golf balls first---the things that really</u> <u>matter.</u> Set your priorities. <u>The rest is just sand.</u>

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the Beer represented. The professor smiled and said, 'I'm glad you asked.' The Beer just shows you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of Beers with a friend.

LIFE ISN'T ABOUT WAITING FOR THE STORM TO PASS....IT'S LEARNING HOW TO DANCE IN THE RAIN



### We Have "BUGS" In Delray!

Our club had two successful "BUGS" presentations in May. Below are a few pictures from the events. Unfortunately, my photo taking skills are slim and there aren't too many good ones to choose from. The raffles are pretty funny, 200 kids yacking it up and the numbers start to be called.....you can hear a pin drop.



It was a lot of fun to see. Thanks to **Terrill Py-burn**, **Jeff Goldman**, **Ernie Galinis** and **Ezra Krieg** for helping out.

And a special thanks to **Carlene Laseter** for arranging and coordinating the events. Doug Martin









The Delray Beach-Sunrise Kiwanis Club was Chartered in 1973 and is operating in Division 21 of the Florida District

### 2011-12 Kiwanis International President:

Alan Penn

### 2011-12 Florida Kiwanis Governor:

Eddie Lee

#### 2011-12 Division 21 Lt. Governor:

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#### **Other Division 21 Clubs:**

**Boca Raton-**Thursdays. 7:30 a.m., Boca Raton Train Depot 747 S. Dixie Hwy., Boca Raton

**Boynton Beach-**Tuesdays, 12 Noon, Duffy's Sports Grill

4746 N. Congress Ave., Boynton Beach

**Delray Beach** – 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 12:15 p.m., Duffy's Sports Grill

1750 South Federal Highway Delray Beach 33483

Gold Coast Knights-1st & 3rd Thurs., 7 p.m.,

Deerfield Country Club

50 Fairway Drive, Deerfield Beach

Green Acres - Wednesdays, 12 Noon,

Palm Beach National Golf & CC

Nassau Road

Lake Worth, 33467

Hypoluxo-Lantana - Tuesdays, 7:00 a.m.

Maddock Park

1200 West Drew Street

Lantana, Florida 33462

Lake Worth - Tuesdays, 8 a.m.,

TooJays Restaurant

419 Lake Avenue, Lake Worth

Palm Springs - Tuesdays, 7:15 a.m.

Perkins

2585 S. Military Trail

West Palm Beach, FL

### Florida Kiwanis Foundation:

President: Bill Knowles

Div. 21 Trustee: Matt Sheehan





# **Executive Perspective**

by Stan D. Soderstrom, Executive Director of Kiwanis and the Kiwanis International Foundation

### **DUES AND DON'TS**

Usually, I use this column to talk about an issue our readers might find interesting. As usual, there are some great stories about Kiwanis clubs doing great things. This time, however, I choose to provide my overview of a dues proposal our Kiwanis International Board of Trustees approved in April for submission to our delegates at the 2012 convention in New Orleans, June 28 -July 1.

First, it's a very short time to educate-and quite frankly, sell-the dues increase proposal. When we've had other dues increases proposed, we've always had much more time to make the case to our clubs. Our board members understand that.

The last time we raised our dues (and thus the overall revenue for Kiwanis) was 2003. Using a U.S. Federal Reserve Bank online calculator (ww.minneapolisfed.org), I learned our US\$42 dues, which was set in 2003, would require more than US\$53 in 2012 for the same buying power. Add an overall decrease in Kiwanis clubs matched with all-time highs for the Key Clubs, Builders Clubs, K-Kids Clubs and Aktion Clubs they support-well, it's pretty easy to understand the math.

So, put yourself in the seat at the Kiwanis Board table. You have two choices. Continue to reduce expenses (which we do every year), or ask the delegates to consider paying another US\$15 annually. We presently have a hiring freeze in our office, which translates into reduced services for our adult and youth clubs. Before we make any further cuts, our board members felt they should inform our clubs and give them the option.

We've tried to be good stewards of the organization's financial resources, and I feel we have been that. Kiwanis has benefited from careful financial management, with an operating surplus every year since 2003 except 2010-11. And, we've built a reserve that anchors our liability insurance, building and magazine funds. But we cannot maintain that for very long.

No' one likes higher prices. But, it might be time to raise our dues. I hope you'll carefully consider what's at stake for Kiwanis.

If you have something for the newsletter, please send it to Scott Youngberg via E-mail: esysy@comcast.net

Thank you



### From Ben Bassford's Camera......

Trusty photographer Ben and a helper or two are giving us some great memories from recent meetings and events. ENJOY!



Ben Bassford

















