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Gravois Kiwanis - Newsletter

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Our club meets every Wednesday at 12:15

Bartolino's South at 5914 S. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, Mo.

--You can join Virtually by using ZOOM--

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89857579320?pwd=Z1pRcEhCdC82b05YRERvNWdjVzN6>

Or dial on your phone: +1 312 626 6799

Meeting ID: 898 5757 9320 Passcode: 799879

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Birthdays

January 3 = Brandon Balk

January 9 – Rev. Don Sabbert

January 26 – Mary Schaeffer

January 30 – Allan Cordes

Anniversaries

January - 1 – Brandon & Melissa Balk

January - 1 – Jim & Ginger Crooks

Christmas Message – Pastor Kelly Johnson

December 22nd with Carla OBrien & Jean Eckrich



Bell Ringing at Schnucks



Pictures: Far left: Allan Cordes
Left: Mrs Santa (Carla) & Dave OBrien
Below Left: Jim Crooks & daughter Carol Crooks
Below Right: Jim Crooks and daughter Cathy Zimmerman

Thank you so much to all volunteers on December 3 - 5:00 to 10:00 PM: First Crew: Kathleen Brewer, Allan Cordes, Jim Crooks, Don Leupold, Roger Richie and Linda, Bruce Hadley
Second Crew; Ken & Barb Dressel, Karl & Pam Grattendick, Mary Guinta, Mike Haller, Robert & Mandy Hosner

Tilles Park Volunteers



Salvation Army Cpt Marisa McCluer says when they finished the Kettle count, we had a total of \$4,671.09. "Please extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Club. This season has been tough in a few different ways, but God remains good through it all! We are so BLESSED by your efforts." Thanks to Bell Ringer Members: Ken Bennett, Allan Cordes, Jim Crooks, Jean Eckrich, Pau Eckrich, Mary Guinta, Carla Obrien, Dave OBrien, Roger Richie, Don Sabbert and Crook's daughter: Carol Crooks and Cathy Zimmerman

Kiwanis Club of Gravois - St. Louis County Board Meeting 1/05/2021



Officers present were: Jim Crooks, Carla Obrien, Kathleen Brewer **Board of Directors present were:** Ken Bennett, Paul Eckrich, Ann Fritsch, Karl Grattendick, Don Sabbert

Also Present: Robert Praprotnik

Secretary's Report (Kathleen Brewer) –Accepted the December minutes as presented in the Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report (Carla O'Brien) –Charitable account is at \$10,641.24; Administrative account is at \$1,283.98 Motion was made to accept the financial report by Don Sabbert and Kark Grattendick seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

Committee Reports - Administrative:

Audit (Don Sabbert & Ann Fritsch) – Audit was completed, no errors were found, and books returned to Carla in December.

Budget (Carla Obrien) –Completed 9/9/21

Education (Ken Haller & Ginger Crooks) – Ginger continues with weekly education questions.

Flying Squadron (Jim Crooks) – We need Volunteers once a month to visit other Club groups. Nothing currently scheduled.

House Comm. (Jean Eckrich & Karl Grattendick) – no news

Program (Jean Eckrich) –See below at the end of the Newsletter

Membership Development- Committee of Bob Praprotnik, Roger Richie and Jim Crooks will take over.

Nominating (Ginger & last 4 pres.) – Done for 2021-22

President's Party (Karl Grattendick and Jim Crooks) – Done for 2021

Publicity (Marilyn Allen) - NR

Sick/telephone (Don Sabbert) – Allan Cordes had hip surgery this week and will be recovering. Don Leupold, Sr is about to undergo Knee surgery.

Committee Reports - Community Service

Camp (Paul Eckrich) – N/R

Community Service / Welfare (Paul Eckrich) – We had annual payments to Salvation Army \$500, and Carondelet Community Betterment Federation -\$500

Fund Raising (President and past 4 pres)- Jim Crooks, Ginger Crooks, Don Leupold and Kenneth Haller. Nothing new.

Old Newsboys (Paul & Allan) – Was a great success, many thanks to all participants on 11/18/21.

Presidents Project (Jim Crooks) – **New Members**

Salvation Army Bell Ringing (Jim Crooks) – **Dec 10** was cancelled, we rang **Dec 17, 21 and 23**

Scholarship (Carla Obrien & Jim Fritz) –Earl Collins Scholarships were disseminated to the Schools



SLP – High Schools (Jim Crooks) –

Hancock: (Nicole Herman)-N/R

Affton: (Marilyn Allen) –Several projects planned, they are offering help on Trivia Night

Lutheran South: (Debbie Davis & Laura Maschhoff) NR

Grade Schools (Carla O'Brien) Mesnier – Principal Been hopes we can get back in the schools soon

MO-ARK Key Club (Jim Fritz) –Moving forward.

Key Leader camps are being planned for Spring

Tilles Lights (Jim Crooks/ Carla O'Brien) –Worked December 3rd, 5:00-7:30 and 7:30- 10:00pm. Had 7 people per shift.

Young Children Priority 1 (Don Leupold & Ann Fritsch) – N/R

Youth Services (Ken Haller) – N/R

Committee Reports - Fund Raising

Run (Ellen) – NR

Steak Raffle (Paul Eckrich) – Completed in June

Trivia (Carla & Ellen) – Scheduled to Saturday March 26, will be held at Lions Den in Valley Park. We need volunteers, auction items, tables and an announcer. \$500 deposit made. The flyers and sponsorship flyers are ready and accompanying. Sell tables early, get sponsorships early, and please accumulate more Silent Auction Items. We need this to be a successful event!

Poinsettias: (Paul Eckrich) – Success! We made \$1,099.87! Thanks to all who participated, and especially to those who helped with deliveries: Kathleen Brewer, Paul Eckrich, Ed Golterman and Carla O'Brien

Collecting for Savers: On hold until they weigh in differently.



Old Business – Our annual contributions to Earl Collins Foundation, KI Childrens Fund, and MO-ARK Outreach Fund were made.
Website update: Check with Jim Fritz to see if any Key Clubbers could do this. Ginger will check to see wo other clubs are using

New Business – Kathleen Brewer has tendered her resignation as Club Secretary, effective 1/1/22. We need to find a new Secretary. Carla will handle the duties on a TEMPORARY basis. Please give serious consideration to helping us as Secretary. Duties include
Managing and maintaining club membership records online.

Keep minutes of the club and Board meeting.

Submit online official reports to Kiwanis international

Maintain permanent files.

Please consider helping with this!

Meeting place

The next Board Meeting for February is 02/2/22, @ Bartolinos South

Adjournment – at 1:30pm

Upcoming meeting dates:

January 5 - Board Meeting

January 12 – Home Sweet Home, Elizabeth Freshour

January 19 – Dr Mary Saale, Region IV Trustee on Membership / Club Growth

January 26 – Affton Key Club (Telesquads and Tree project) Madison Paroutka and Ellen Spanger

