

November 2023

GRAVOIS KIWANIS CLUB
OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI



Meeting Time: 12:00 pm
Meeting Place: 5914 S. Lindbergh Blvd

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PRESIDENT: KARL GRATTENDICK

PRESIDENT ELECT:

TREASURER: CARLA O'BRIEN

CO-SECRETARY:

CARLA O'BRIEN & MARISA MCCLUER

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:

JEAN ECKRICH

Lt. Governor, Div. 9: Teri Jacob

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| • K BENNETT | 2024 |
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Mindful Moment

At times the Christmas season is filled with so many things to do that we forget to slow down and lean into the reason for the season. God knew we needed the season of Advent to re-center and refocus our lives on the Hope we have in Christ.

In these next few weeks, let us all find a quiet space and time to reflect upon the hope of the babe in the manger, but also the hope we have yet to come in Jesus' return.

Isaiah 9:6

***For a Child will be born to us, a Son will be given to us;
And the government will rest on His shoulders;
And His name will be called ...***

Wonderful Counselor

Mighty God

Eternal Father

Prince of Peace.



Birthdays

**Jin Fritz
Robert Hosner
Scott Hummel
Lori Leupold**

Anniversaries

Karl & Pam Grattendick



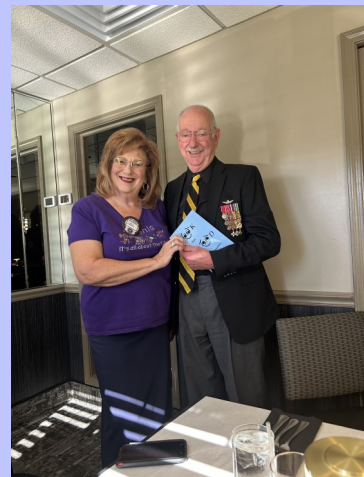
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November Happenings!



11/04/23 service project at the Angels arms Gala, Roger Richie, Linda Henry, Carla IBrien, Jim Crooks and Allan Cordes assisted from 4:30 -10:30, an amazing event

11/08/23 Carla presented the Looking for Good book as a thank you to speaker retired Colonel Ed Greutzemacher discussing patriotism as our Veterans Day Program



On 11/11/23 we had a huge Flying Squadron to Maplewood Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast Roger Richie, Linda Henry, Carla OBrien, Ed Golterman, Jim Fritz, Jean Eckrich, Dave OBrien, Carol Crooks and Jim Crooks



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Kiwanis Club of Gravois - St. Louis County Board Meeting December 6 2023

President – Karl Grattendick

Treasurer – Carla Obrien
Eckrich

President-elect –

Co-Secretary – Carla OBrien/~~Marisa McCluer~~

immed Past Pres: Jean

Board of Directors: Ken Bennett, Lorin Dressel, Paul Eckrich, Roger Richie

Also present were: Jim Crooks

Secretary's Report (Carla OBrien) – After minor correction by Paul Eckrich, Motion to accept the October minutes as presented in the November Newsletter by: Paul Eckrich, seconded by Roger Richie Called for vote: All in favor, none opposed.

Treasurer's Report (Carla O'Brien) –

Charitable account is at \$ 12,496.47 and Administrative account is at \$660.75, totaling \$ 13,157.22.

Motion was made to accept the financial report by Jean Eckrich, seconded by Roger Richie. Called for vote: All in favor, none opposed

Committee Reports - Administrative:

Audit (Don Sabbert & Ann Fritsch) – audit of 2022-23 records was completed in October.2023.by Ann Fritsch.

Budget (Carla Obrien) – **Done, September 2023**

Education (Jim Crooks) – Bi-monthly questions continue.

Flying Squadron (Jim Crooks) None for december.: January 9, 2024 Noon, Chesterfield Kiwanis, at Bishops Post, 16125 Chesterfield Parkway West

House Comm. (Karl Grattendick) – Still good with Bartolinos South two Wednesdays [per month, 2nd and 4th.

Program (Mary Schaefer) –Go over all programs as scheduled for December, and place at end of newsletter

Membership Development (Jim Crooks) After attrition, it appears that we'll have 29 regular members. Plan a campaign.

Nominating (Jean Eckrich & last 4 pres.) -. Still need a President Elect

President's Party (Karl Grattendick) – Completed **Oct 1, 2023**

Publicity (Lorin Dressel) No report

Sick/telephone (Don Sabbert)..Ann Fritsch has been confined with Covid fo0r 1-1/2 weeks. Ken Haller is not doing well, has discontinued PT, continues to reside at Delmar Gardens South. Doug Kirberg is at Bethesda South recovering from an auto accident.

Committee Reports - Community Service

Camp (Paul Eckrich) – The donation check from end of September to Camp rhythm remains uncashed.

Community Service / Welfare (Paul Eckrich) – We will release our budgeted funds for Carondelet Community Betterment Foundation and Salvation Army in December.

Paul will check with Cpt Marisa to see what service we can assist with at Salvation Army in January. We will do bell ringing at Schnucks in Affton December 15 and December 22. Please contact Jim Crooks if you can help at (314)723-7917

Fund Raising (Allan C, Ken B, Ginger C, Jim C, Mike H, Robert H, Roger R):.No new plans

Presidents Project (Karl Grattendick) Plan not yet formulated

Salvation Army Bell Ringing (Jim Crooks) – **2023-24: December 15 & December 22** Contact Jim if you can help at 314-723-7917.

Scholarship (Carla Obrien & Jim Fritz) –Done: **LHSS, Hancock, and Affton students - The Earl Collins ap-
plication has been distributed to all three schools**

SLP – High Schools (Jim Crooks) –

Hancock: (Nicole Herman)-Jim attended a meeting that had about 25 students present

Affton: – (Jason Buck) No report

Lutheran South: (Debbie Davis & Laura Maschhoff) On 12/14/23 at 7:45am Jim is bringing a sheet cake to their Christmas Party

Bayless High School – Principal has been fired, need to make new connection

Grade Schools (Carla O'Brien)

Mesnier – Next reading not yet scheduled as Principal Brotherton is out until 10/16/23, Principal Been says we'll have the program Carla has not reached VP Brotherton. Shall we do Feb – May or cancel till next year? Board decided I will contact Principal Brotherton and ask his preference.

Gotsch – Principal Christine Powers is interested in Reading – Terrific Kids. Ongoing discussions about starting the Program, still awaiting return call

MO-ARK Key Club (Jim Fritz) – No report

Tilles Lights (Karl Grattendick / Carla O'Brien) – Not held 2022, We were offered Thanksgiving, 11/23/23, but we turned it down and asked to be put on the waitlist for another potential date.

Young Children Priority 1 (Don Leupold, Ann Fritsch and Ginger Crooks) – September donation to Parents As Teachers remains uncashed.

Committee Reports - Fund Raising

Steak Raffle (Paul Eckrich) – completed

Sewing Machine Project (Lorin Dressel) We3 can start providing machines again.

Trivia (Carla & Jean) – Booked the *Crestwood Community Center for March 23, 2024*. Save the date. We'll begin soliciting donations for the silent auction and beer, wine, etc. Flyer will be available in January.

Poinsettias: (Carla O'Brien & Paul Eckrich) – We're delivering plants picked up on 12/05/23. We anticipate about \$875 net profit., detailed report next month. A special Thank You to Tammy Luechtefeld State Farm for her 40 plant order!

Books: Looking for Good: (Roger Richie) sales continue, Roger will bring books to meetings to encourage sales. Don't forget what great, reasonably priced Christmas gifts these make!

NEW BUSINESS

IMPORTANT DATES UPCOMING

December 13 – Father Dominic possibly, Christmas in Kenya (not confirmed)

December 15 – Salvation Army bell ringing

December 22 – Salvation Army bell ringing

December 27 – Christy Schaefer – Life Coach, Message for new year

Meeting place

The next Board Meeting for is January 3 @ 7:00pm at Gateway Citadel Salvation Army, 824 Union Rd

Adjournment – at 8:00pm Ken Bennett made motion, Jean Eckrich seconded, All in favor, none opposed.