(12th of March 2024

March newsletter



President message



Hello Centennial Members

Our program this month will include our annual March guest speaker, Mike Downs, to fill us in on all the details for ICON. In addition we will be hearing from Susie from Sweet Dreams in a Bag. She will be speaking about our service project in Denver. I hope many of you will be able to attend the meeting next week on March 12th.

I know a number of our members will be attending the Kiwanis Asia-Pacific Convention this week. Safe travels to all; I hope you have a wonderful time. Perhaps we can schedule a program afterwards so you can share your experience.

We are coming up on our very important "Elections" meeting on April 9th. It is very important that we have a quorum to be able to nominate, then elect our next set of officers. The Board voted to suspend the April noon meeting at our Board meeting on February 19th because of the importance of attendance at the election. Attendance at the January meeting did not yield additional members, in fact, it was not well attended.

As such, the meeting on April 9th will take place at 5:00 Eastern. Please plan to attend that meeting to insure we are able to have a quorum of members present.

With that being said, Treasurer Bob Raub and Secretary Judy Raub have completed their two year terms. Bob would like to offer the Treasurer position to anyone interested, but if no one comes forward, he will extend to another term. Likewise, Judy will continue for an additional term unless someone would like to take on the Secretary role for a two year term.

We have an opening for the Vice President role to follow Gary "Coop" Cooper who will be President-Elect next year under Danielle Desmarmagnac who will be the 2024-25 Centennial President. I have spoken with one potential candidate, but the person has suggested we open it up to others. Please let me know if you are interested.

In addition, we will need a Public Relations Chair to replace Danielle. I know many of you have talent in that area, so please consider stepping into the role. I am sure Danielle would be glad to "mentor" you on the position.

Finally, we need one Board member to replace Alida Wright whose term ends this year. This person will join Odence Rose and Greg Wegrich, the other two Board members whose terms are for another year. Judy has already spoken with one person who is interest in the position Alida will be vacating.

Thank you, in advance, for getting this on your calendar so we can meet our quorum requirements. I look forward to seeing you soon on a meeting.

Kathleen

Guest speakers

My name is **Zak Kahn**, and I am the new CKI president.

A little about me: I am a fifth-year health science major at Northeastern University in Boston, on a premed track, with a minor in French. I was born in New Jersey, U.S., and grew up in Hooksett, New Hampshire, U.S. I am a past New England District secretary-treasurer, district governor and international trustee.

Throughout my time in CKI, I have witnessed the immense potential of our organization. We have so many passionate members, all committed to our tenets of service, leadership and fellowship. This year, we are in a prime position to grow our membership, expand district interactions and continue inspiring innovative ideas and collaborations.

Yours in Service, Zak Kahn





Mike Downs - Kiwanis International.





He will make some update for ICON in Denvers Colorado. Promotional Video - Did you know that we have a promotional video that is great to be shown at Kiwanis meetings and events. Here is the link to the video that you may play to encourage attendance at the convention in Denver!





Susie Fox

How It All started

Sweet Dream in a Bag was founded in 2010 by Susie and Wayne Fox and has gifted thousands of children, living in poverty, along Colorado's front range with new bedding packages.

It all started with Susie, while watching Extreme Makeover on TV, got a vision of helping children. She acted on the vision because of her childhood memories of having a safe place in her chaotic home.

Susie loves children and used her artful talents to design exciting bedding bags for the children.

2024 Pennsylvania Kiwanis MidYear







On Saturday, February 24th, Centennial members Katrina Baranko, Kathleen Moylan, Sherry Scudder, Chuck Gugliuzza, and Jim Janosik joined over 80 other Kiwanians at the 2024 Pennsylvania Kiwanis MidYear via zoom. The kickoff keynote presentation was given by Ben Hartranft, BENergy1.com, who shared his story of bringing awareness of autism to new audiences. He highlighted his personal journey including his efforts to fundraise for the cause, his passion for sharing his message on the Ellen Degeneres show, with the Philadelphia Eagles organization, and the dream he achieved of being on the Price is Right game show.

International President Katrina led an inspirational session that discussed in-depth the critical ingredients for a club to be successful, including passion, relationships, awareness, leadership, and focus. Certainly, our internet club needs those ingredients just as much as a traditional club.

Several breakout sessions were held, including Kiwanis DIDYAKNOWS 2.0; Revisit your WHY to inspire change; and Welcoming new members to Kiwanis. The conference was concluded with a presentation by 20025-06 International President Steve Siemens. By Jim Janosik

Asia Pacific Convention

ASPAC région convention was held in Adelaide in Australia, Peter Zander our kiwanian friend was the organization convention chair. On Thursday the 7th of March, at the executive board meeting with attendees from Kiwanis International: President Katrina Baranko, President Elect Lee Kuan Yong, Past President and executive director Paul Palazzolo, from Kiwanis Europe Josy Glatigny, then ASPAC Chair Sujan Shresta, Peter Zander and Danielle Desarmagnac.







ASPAC convention in pictures









Tadao Oda attented virtually the ASPAC convention







ASPAC district Governors' report



ASPAC Chair Sujan gave a certificat to all executive board members, with help of KI Past President Art Riley, and KI President Elect Kuan Yong Le







ASPAC Convention banner was given by Australia district to Taiwan district for 2025 Convention.





Hello fellow Kiwanians,

First and foremost, on behalf of the Centennial Internet Club I wish to extend my appreciation for your support in purchasing tickets for our 2024 raffle. We redesigned the raffle this year to lengthen the purchasing window and to increase the total prize amounts. Unfortunately, by our February 29th deadline we did not sell nearly enough to cover the costs.

Yesterday, the club board met and discussed options to completing the raffle, one of which was to award a percentage of the totals received to date. Another option, and the one that the board ultimately adopted, is to reopen ticket sales through the time that our club meets in Denver when we will award the full prize amounts regardless of what our ticket sales are at that time.

While our board works on new efforts to promote the raffle we wanted to share this news with you first. If you do have any comments or concerns with this decision we do welcome them, and we appreciate your grace in this matter as the decision did not come easily. Thank you for your support and all that you do for the children of the world!

Warm regards, Jim Janosik 954.632.7701

Upcoming Schedule meetings

Tuesday, March 12 at 5 pm Eastern -- Member Meeting + election

Tuesday, March 19 at 5 pm Eastern -- Board Meeting (everyone welcome)

Tuesday, April 9 at 5 pm Eastern -- Member Meeting

Tuesday, April 16 at 5 pm Eastern -- Board Meeting (everyone welcome)

Meeting Information:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86460111515

Meeting ID: 864 6011 1515 One tap mobile +13126266799,86460111515# U

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Katrina Baranko March 4
Thomas McCorlew March 5
Hilde Elisabeth Meyer March 10
Dan Connolly March 11
Danielle Desarmagnac March 11
Vickie Riley March 12