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CALENDAR

June 27, 28 Eagle Village work projects. Duane Townley.
July 1 “Take Your Pastor to Lunch” day at Kiwassee.
July 8 Annual Pinecrest Picnic, 5:30 p.m..
July 14 3rd Annual Kiwanis Charity Golf Classic, 12:30 at Midland Country Club.
August 8 Kiwassee Night at the Ball Park (in the “Landing”), meal included.
August 13 Kiwanis night at the Loons. Event for all Michigan Kiwanis members.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

***Jack Higgins has registration forms for the District Convention on August 21-24 in Kalamazoo. Please let him (or Dick Jellum) know if you would like to attend.

***Jim Schroeder, representing Young Children Priority One and Junior Youth, presented a check to Sarah Jacob Carter who is Children’s Coordinator for the Shelter House. Sarah thanked Kiwassee and said the donation will permit her to attend a seminar and training program for counseling traumatized children.

***Renee Yates reminded members that our Charity Golf Classic fund raiser is only three weeks away on July 14. Renee reported that sponsorships and door prizes are coming in, but we need more players and foursomes to sign up. Please help this important fund raiser any way you can.

***Duane Brooks asked for a volunteer to deliver our Tuesday meal to the Open Door during July.

***Ray Senesac read a letter of thanks from Judy Campbell for the Kiwassee Foundation’s gift to the community in memory of Bruce Campbell.

***George Fromhold reported that so far we have 52 people signed up for the Kiwassee Night at the Ball Park on August 8. We need 60 to meet our minimum. You just can’t beat a deal like this!

***Duane Townley said the van will leave at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, June 27 for the Eagle Village work project and return at 5:30. The same thing will happen again on Saturday, June 28. There is still room if you’d like to go.

***Al Klashak reminded members of the “Take Your Pastor to Lunch” day on July 1. Ron Englund, Stan’s son, will speak on “Pacific Island Biodiversity”. The annual Pinecrest Picnic will be at 5:30 p.m. on July 8.

SENIOR YOUTH SPONORS EAGLE SCOUT AND “ACCESS TO RECREATION” PROGRAMS

Al Forster, Senior Youth Co-Chair, introduced Martin Brennan, who is a volunteer leader for the Lake Huron Counsel of the Boy Scouts of America. Martin said the Lake Huron Counsel is actually quite large and includes 7 districts that cover 19 Michigan Counties. The Chippewa District includes Midland County. Martin said the goal of the B.S.A. is to develop future leaders. Achieving the rank of Eagle Scout requires candidates to demonstrate considerable planning and leadership to complete difficult projects. Martin thanked Kiwassee and said our contribution will be used to help in several ongoing Eagle Scout projects in the community.

Al then introduced Terri Cady and Teresa Oliver from the Midland County Disability Network. Terri explained that the “Access to Recreation” project for Midland was created in 2006 when the Midland Area Community Foundation received a \$440,000 matching grant from the Kellogg Foundation to provide “enhanced universal recreation access for everyone, including individuals with disabilities”. The Disability Network has partnered with the Chippewa Nature Center, Midland Community Center, West Midland Family Center, and the City of Midland through the Parks and Recreation Dept. to develop the projects for Midland. Phase I includes improved accessibility to outdoor areas around the West Midland Family Center, and an outdoor splash park at the Community Center. Phase II will include building an access road to a river landing area in Manitou County Park along with picnicking and rest room facilities, and an asphalt drive and walkway to the Chippewa River at the Nature Center. Phase III will create an endowment fund to maintain the facilities. Contributions can be made to the Access to Recreation Project or Endowment Funds through the Midland Area Community Foundation.