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CALENDAR

June 6, 7 Kiwanis Booth at Art Fair. Volunteers needed!!! Jim Schroeder.
June 9 Annual Cookout (members & guests), 6 p.m.at Emerson Park. D.Brooks.
June 9 Noon Roundable at Shirleen's.
June 12, 13 ESA Playground work project (Old Sugnet School), Jim Schroeder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

***Duane Brooks reminded members that our Annual Cookout will be at Emerson Park, Area "D", at 6 p.m. on June 9. Members and spouses/guests are invited. Grill your own steaks! Good time guaranteed! Noon Roundtable will be at Shirleen's.

***Jim Schroeder circulated a sign up sheet for volunteers to work in the Kiwassee booth (distributing balloons and substance abuse literature) at the Annual Art Fair on June 6 and 7.

***Jim Schroeder circulated a sign up sheet for volunteers to complete the ESA playground project (Old Sugnet School). The work project is scheduled for June 12 and 13, and is being done in conjunction with the Midland Kiwanis Club. (Need more volunteers on June 13).

***Cal Hoerneman reported that the Fund Raising committee is considering a new project with members (and friends over age 16) operating a concession stand at Loon's ball games. This would require 10-25 people for 5-10 games during the season. Each game would require 5-6 hours of work for \$35/person/game, with fund raising potential of about \$3,500 per year. (Could also increase visibility of Kiwassee in the community). Cal circulated a sign up sheet for those that would be interested in participating (or let him know your reaction).

***Renee reported that Ray Senesac's brother recently passed away. Stu Bender said that Bob Ralston's situation is about the same as last week. Your prayers will be appreciated.

***President Elect Renee Yates is now Mrs. Renee Castellon!! Our very best wishes and warm congratulations, Renee, from everyone in Kiwassee Kiwanis.

NANCY FARISON AND LARRY MCCOY JOIN KIWASSEE KIWANIS

A very warm welcome to Kiwassee's newest members Nancy Farison and Larry McCoy. Dave Bender performed the induction ceremony with Stu Bender and Duane Brooks serving as sponsors for Nancy and Larry respectively. Nancy has been a social worker for 30 years, teaches at C.M.U. and works at Senior Services. She has a daughter at S.V.S.U. and a son who will soon return to Afghanistan for a second tour. Larry is a Dow Corning retiree. His wife is a Home Health Care nurse, and they have two children and three grandchildren. Nancy and Larry both said they are looking forward to Kiwassee fellowship and to serving the community.

NORTH MIDLAND FAMILY CENTER IS VALUABLE ASSET TO COUNTY

Jim Schroeder presented a check to Linda Clark, who is the Executive Director of the North Midland Family Center. Linda thanked Kiwassee and said the contribution will be used to support NMFC's Summer Program, which provides educational and recreational activities for about 100 children (ages 5-10) during the summer. The program this year is called "Outward Bound" and will involve a number of field trips to destinations including Whiting Forest, Chippewa Nature Center, Saginaw Zoo, Loon's Stadium, and other locations. Linda went on to discuss NMFC's total charter, which is to contribute to the social, educational, and recreational well being of people in North Midland County. NMFC has programs for families and for people of all ages. There is strong emphasis on pre-school programs for 3-4 year olds, which currently includes over 50 "at risk" children, and for the development of reading skills and parental involvement. Programs for teens are effective, and many teens consider NMFC to be "their Center". Foundations and private donations provide 42% of funding, state and federal grants provide 18%, United Way adds 19%, with the remaining 21% from revenue. Program costs are 74% of the budget with 15% for building support and 11% for administrative costs. NMFC partners with 30 other non-profit agencies in Midland County. Linda said she is concerned about Foundation, State, and other funding for 2009 and 2010. NMFC is working with other non-profits to find ways to share resources and to continue programs with minimum disruption.