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CALENDAR

October 27 Deadline for selling Travel and Adventure tickets.
October 27 Club News and Publicity Committee meeting, 1 p.m.. Mike Briggs, Don Winger.
October 27 First Travel and Adventure program: "Etched in Stone: Scotland Provence".
November 3 New member orientation, 1 p.m.. Dick Skochdopole, Wendell Meyer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

***Al Klashak said the Midland Area Community Foundation is in need of table gifts for the Coleman Christmas Party (Dec. 9), which is held at six locations. Please call Al for details if want to help.
***Duane Townley reported great news from the Kiwassee Foundation. Total assets exceed \$100,000 for the first time. The Foundation (using a 5% payout discipline) will have \$5,500 available for community projects in the 2009-2010 Kiwanis year. Duane also reported that Mike Briggs, Bill Burk, and Cal Hoerneman will replace retiring Kiwassee Board members Kathy Ellison, Linda Cline, and Ginny Morrison. Duane urged members to remember the Foundation in their giving.
***Dick Jellum, speaking for Al Burmester, asked for volunteers to help with initial transportation of Candy and Nut product from Sanford to the Salvation Army on Saturday, October 31. Pickup trucks and large SUV's are needed.
***Mike Briggs, Co-Chair of the Club News and Publicity Committee, scheduled a meeting of that committee for 1 p.m. on October 27. Mike said he and Co-Chair Don Winger's primary agenda item is to discuss the Kiwanis MCTV television program. He added that a driving force for this is to inform the community about Kiwanis—and to attract new members. Mike asked the membership for any suggestions or comments, and also if anyone had an interest in joining the committee.
***Penny Ecarius reminded members to bring large buttons (four holes) for the Haitian children.
***Diane Stevens announced the Kiwanis Reading Program will start in November. Members read once each month to preschoolers at five locations. Call her if you would like to participate.
***Dick Skochdopole scheduled a new member orientation session for 1 p.m. on November 3. He urged new members to get that on their calendar if they can. (Anyone is welcome).
***Gene Woodward reminded members that October 27 is the deadline for T&A ticket sales.

KAREN ADAMS AND STEVE RINGGOLD JOIN KIWASSEE KIWANIS

A very warm welcome to Kiwassee's newest members Karen Adams and Steve Ringgold. Dave Bender performed the induction ceremony with Penny Ecarius as Karen's sponsor, and Larry McCoy as Steve's sponsor. Karen is U.P. native, graduated from MSU, and earned a graduate degree from Central Michigan. She has worked with children for many years and is looking forward to helping kids through Kiwanis. Steve grew up in New Jersey near Philadelphia and has lived in Midland for three years with his wife and three young children. He has heard great things about Kiwassee Kiwanis and is excited about becoming a member.

CANDY AND NUT FUND RAISER

Jim Rajewski kicked off our 2009 Candy and Nut fund raising project in grand style. He has set a sales goal of \$29,000 which will provide a margin of \$10,000 to be used for Kiwassee's community projects. Jim announced that our team this year will consist of Dick Jellum as project leader (replacing Jim who has been the leader for 16 years), Al Burmester as store czar, and Jim Rajewski as advisor. Gary Kerestes and Gordon Rogers will also play important roles. Jim introduced Mike Wirth, who manages the Nutcracker Sweet business in Sanford, and thanked him for his ongoing help to us in this project. Product will be available to members at the Salvation Army on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:30 to 5:30, and of Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.. Al will need volunteers to tend the store on these dates. December 19 will be the No Return Date!! Sixteen products (including two new ones) will be available with prices the same or less than last year. Jim reminded members that Candy and Nut project is one of our two largest fundraiser and is critically important to Kiwassee. We need everyone to participate, and we have some very large shoes to fill with the loss of Bob Ralston and Walt Follette. Kiwassee members need to remember that we have a very good product at a reasonable price, and it is for a very good cause. Posters are available—and see members of the team for selling ideas and suggestions. Jim thanked the Salvation Army for providing space in their building for this project. Club members gave Jim a warm ovation for his sixteen years of outstanding leadership in this important project for Kiwassee Kiwanis.