

August 16, 2016

KIWASSEE *SMOKE SIGNALS*

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Greeter: Mike Cronenberger Chair: Bruce Rayce Invocation: Brian Goodwill Editor: Martha Briggs

CALENDAR

Wednesday, August 24: AKtion Club, 5:30, MPS Admin Center, Rooms A&B

Thursday, September 15: Wine-tasting party at Aaron Oberlin's

Thursday, September 15: Thomas Township Kiwanis Club Golf Outing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Max Bottomley: Thanks from Kathy Zaun-Schmidt for supporting Alzheimer's research & The Alzheimer's Walk!

Martha Briggs: Bring your cash/checkbook **AUGUST 30** (corrected) to support the October 2 CROP Walk.

Roger Briggs: see Roger to be part of a foursome for the Thomas Township Kiwanis Club Golf Outing Thursday, September 15. Our team needs one more player. This club supports our golf outing with at least one team each year.

Cal Hoerneman: If you haven't picked up your Travel and Adventure envelope, do so today. See Jack Higgins, Ray Senesac, or Cal with questions and additional tickets. Turn in monies to Mike Feider.

Bruce Rayce: (for Susan Love) Sign up for Tall in the Saddle-see Susan for details. Welcome back to Mark Fenske! The club received a note from John Kennett thanking us for the strong turnout at his dad Bill's funeral. This week's "Hero" is the Fun Committee for the many ways they've livened up our club, including the September 15 Wine Tasting Party at Aaron Oberlin's—cost is \$20/person or \$30/couple, and bring a dish to pass. Details to follow. The Board of Directors meets this Thursday at noon at Memorial Presbyterian Church.

GUESTS: Current Mount Pleasant club president Judy Unrath introduced fellow members Jim Anderson and Theron Unrath (yes, he's Judy's husband). Brian Goodwill introduced his daughters Lydia, Madelyn, and Elyse.

Outgoing Division 19 Lieutenant Governor **Dave Skolnik** praised our club for our efficient reporting as well as our many projects and initiatives. The District Convention is coming up, where delegates will vote on several policy changes and elect 2016-17 officers. We are still collecting shoes; at the Spring Officer Training, 221 bags of 25 pairs EACH filled a U-Haul truck! As Dick wraps up his term, he wants us to keep in touch with our questions concerns.

PROGRAM: Human and Spiritual Values

Committee chair Captain Brian Goodwill introduced himself to present an update on the Salvation Army's SHARE program. Kiwassee has long supported this summer day camp. Back in 1981, Captain Warren Yoder developed SHARE after seeing "kids who needed something to do." The acronym SHARE stands for "Shepherding Hearts And Relational Evangelism," and this year's theme is "Best.Summer.Ever." SHARE operates weekdays from 10-3 at the Salvation Army Center, Meridian and Floyd Elementary Schools, Eagle Ridge Church, and Whispering Pines (lunch only). Activities include Bible lessons, crafts, games, songs, reading time, free time, field trips, lunch, and snacks. Cost is \$20/week per child, with a reduced rate for multiple children in families and for participants with a Bridge card. Scholarships are available as well. While the lunch program is federally funded, SHARE depends heavily on support from local organizations like Kiwassee for program materials and staff salaries. Parents of campers appreciate the program's affordability, the staff's approachability, and the fact that their children receive so much love and support. To illustrate the transformational effect of the SHARE program, Brian shared details about Hunter, who participated in SHARE as a child, drifted into alcohol and drugs as a teen, found his way back to church, and became a SHARE counselor and office staff person. His inclusive and optimistic demeanor has encouraged campers and potential counselors alike, who mention him as a positive influence. He is currently serving in the US Army.

2016-17 Lieutenant Governor Judy Unrath said she looks forward to visiting clubs around the Division. She also encouraged members to consider serving Kiwanis in this way—she only wants this gig for one year!

REMINDERS: Board of Directors meeting is this Thursday (August 18) at noon at Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Next week's program: Senior Youth **Greeter:** Jim Young **Invocation:** Gordon Rogers