

CALENDAR

Wednesday, January 25: AKtion Club, MPS Administration Center, 5:30 (Martha Briggs)

January 28- February 5: Dow Tennis Classic (Allison Mahoney)

February 14: Valentine Party (Fred Honerkamp)

February 15: New Hope Village room adoption meeting, Nazarene Church, 5441N. Jefferson (John Congleton)

April 18: Kiwassee Kiwanis Club's 50th Anniversary Celebration (Dick Schochdopole)

July 17: Kiwassee Kiwanis Fore Kids Golf Outing (Betsy Sullivan and Porter Brown)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Roger Briggs: The Kiwassee Foundation Board met this morning to discuss Bill Marklewitz's generous gift of ~\$150,000 to the Kiwassee Foundation. At this time, the Foundation has \$11,000 to award in grants (5% of the Foundation's net worth).

John Congleton: New Hope Village's USDA loan has been approved! Representatives of the groups committed to outfitting apartments (including Kiwassee) will meet at the Nazarene Church Wednesday, February 15, to discuss specifics & logistics.

Brian Goodwill: Human and Spiritual Values will meet after next week's regular meeting.

Susan Love: Please consider providing your email address up to complete a 15-minute anonymous survey about your perceptions, knowledge, and associations with the West Midland Family Center. A signup sheet is circulating today only.

Roger Moll: The Audit Committee will meet after today's regular meeting.

Doug Snoddy: Senior Youth will meet after next week's meeting to discuss Dow High Key Club's attendance at this year's SLC in Lansing. The Tech committee will meet briefly after today's meeting to plan a surprise for us all!

Diane Stevens: Community Service will meet after today's regular meeting.

Ben Tierney: Encourage high school seniors you know to submit an application for a MACF scholarship by March 1. In Trivia, Walt Rupprecht won a slick memo pad for correctly identifying *Gone With the Wind* as the all-time highest-grossing film!

Fred Honerkamp: Highlights of last week's Board of Directors' meeting: the cost of our meals will increase by \$2 to address an increase in food costs. When bad weather closes schools, members can gather for a roundtable at Shirlene's at 11:30 a.m. Bruce Rayce, Ray Senesac, and Roger Briggs will serve on the nominating committee. The deadline for the \$25,000 grant to New Hope Village has been extended to March 31.

ALSO: please double-check your email address on the list circulating. Sign up to attend the Valentine Party February 14! Pick up your new Kiwanis shirt. Dee Howe has applied for membership! The Board will meet briefly after today's meeting.

MEMBER NEWS: When Jack Higgins and his wife Nancy return from the Galapagos Islands, Jack will undergo radiation to treat a recurrence of his lymphoma; keep him in your thoughts.

GUESTS: Al Klashak introduced his son, Steven Powell; LeAnn Behmlander introduced Gail Sarnowski; Gary Vogel introduced Karlie Piechorowski; and Ray Senesac introduced soon-to-be member Dee Howe.

PROGRAM: In the absence of a regular program today, several members spoke about particular topics.

KIWASSEE FOUNDATION (Board President Roger Briggs): Each year, the Foundation gives 5% of the fund's net worth (~\$220,000, or \$11,000 this year). As a 501C3, the Foundation may only give funds to other 501C3's. At this morning's meeting, the Board awarded Sneakerpalooza \$3000 for shoes to add to those donated to local low-income students. Roger thanked Jack Lehman for donating his time and expertise to manage the fund; he will develop an investment strategy for Bill Marklewitz's gift to the Foundation. The Longview Pavilion will be named for Bill and feature the green and white colors of his favorite school, MSU.

FUNDING REQUESTS (LaVerne Myers, Treasurer): Remember that the Kiwassee Board of Directors meets every third Thursday, so time your funding requests accordingly. The committee chair submits funding and reimbursement requests to the Board; be sure to provide him or her with the necessary documentation (receipts, invoices, etc.).

MEETING CHECK-IN (Dave Winegardner) When you have a guest at a meeting, be sure to sign in him or her in the binder next to the computer. Include the guest's name, your name, AND who will be paying for the guest's bill—in the absence of that information, YOU will be paying.

KIWASSEE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION (Fred Honerkamp) Dick Schochdopole, Diane Stevens, and Bruce Rayce are working on this special event. Local media will be invited, along with our family and friends and Division and District Kiwanis officers. Dress up for any pictures (i.e., wear your best bib and tuckers, per Diane!)

GOLF OUTING: Under the new leadership of Betsy Sullivan and Porter Brown, this year's golf outing is July 17 at Snow Snake. The committee is working hard to secure sponsors and solicit silent auction items and door prizes. The fee for participating (\$65/person, \$240/4-person team) will include 18 holes of golf with a cart, use of the driving range and putting green, breakfast, lunch at the turn, and dinner and prizes. We hope to have two foursomes at every hole. All proceeds will go to Kiwassee's project fund. Plan to support this major fundraiser by volunteering the day of the event, attending the dinner, and/or making a donation!

LOCAL YOUTH HOCKEY: (Doug Snoddy) Midland Youth Hockey has in place an extensive training program for coaches who work with children and youth. Each coach learns how to develop age-appropriate skills and strategies, interact with children and youth at any age. and detect concussions. Any player who suffers a concussion must have a doctor's note to return to practice and.