

Kiwanis

KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGETOWN

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NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 15, 2010

February 11, 2010 meeting:

Twenty-two members welcomed four Key Club members – President Brendan, Andrew Ryan, and Brittany - and two Aktion Club members – President Carol and Edith to our meeting.

Aktion Club President Carol reported on the activities of the Aktion Club. They have made 400 chocolate hearts. They are selling the chocolates for \$2.00 each. The proceeds will be donated to Ronald McDonald House in London. Carol and Edith sold lots of chocolate to Kiwanians.

Key Club President Brendan reported on the activities of the Key Club. They will be operating their concessions stand at quiz night and all performances of Ridge Players. They will have 1 or 2 teams participating in quiz night and they will be entering the chili cook-off.

Happy \$\$ - Kiwanian Dave was happy that Kiwanian Bill Johnston was sitting at the other table. IT Dr. John was happy for a very successful District Midwinter Board meeting and he was happy that PP Ken had presented him with a sample in a little bottle.

IT Dr. John gave a report on the District Midwinter Board meeting. He discussed the proposed changes to the structure of the District Board as well as an update on the District HIV/AIDS project.

International Convention is being held in Las Vegas this year June 24 – 26. At this time we have four members registered for convention. If anyone else is attending please inform President Debbie, as the Board will be selecting delegates. At International Convention members see just how large and diverse our organization is. It is a great learning experience and a lot of fun.

PP June tested our knowledge – general as well as Kiwanis with 40 trivia questions. It was a close contest. The winning team was PP Craig, Kiwanian Gary Wake, President Debbie and IT Dr. John. It was a fun program – thanks PP June!



At the District Midwinter Board meeting President Debbie presented Governor Gary Levine and HIV/AIDS Program Chair PG Joanne Murray with our club's next donation of \$2,000.00 to the project.

WHAT DOES THAT KIWANIS LINGO MEAN?

SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS (SLP)

These are Kiwanis clubs for youth at various levels. They include:

K-Kids – Kiwanis at the junior elementary school level

Builders Club – Kiwanis at the senior elementary school level

Key Club – Kiwanis at the secondary school level

Circle K – Kiwanis at the post secondary school level

Aktion Club – Kiwanis for youth and adults living with disabilities



A Kiwanis Club sponsors each of these clubs. That sponsorship is financial as well as supportive. Our club sponsors two such clubs – Key Club and Aktion Club. Members of the sponsored clubs are encouraged to attend our meetings and Kiwanians are encouraged to attend their meetings. The sponsoring Kiwanis Club has an advisor to the SLP club – PP June is our Key Club advisor and Treasurer Gary is our Aktion Club advisor. If you are interested in attending a meeting contact these advisors for time and place.

These clubs teach our youth about community service through projects they perform at their school or in the community and by helping the Kiwanis Club with their projects.

KIWANIS KIDS PROGRAMS

Kiwanis Kids programs are elementary school programs supported by Kiwanis volunteers. These programs teach young people the importance of setting goals, striving for academic achievement, and serving school and community. These programs thrive because of continued Kiwanis volunteer involvement.

Kiwanis Kids programs include:



Terrific Kids is a student recognition program that promotes character development, self-esteem, and perseverance. Students work with their classroom teacher to establish goals and then work to achieve these goals. Those who achieve goals are recognized as a Terrific Kids. Terrific is an acronym meaning: Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Respectful, Responsible, Inclusive, Friendly, Inquisitive, and Capable. Terrific Kids are recognized for achieving goals with a pizza, or other food themed party, certificates, buttons, and other give-a-ways.



Bring Up Grades, or BUG is a program designed to provide recognition to students who raise their grades into an acceptable range, and maintain or continue to raise them from one grading period to the next. BUG recipients are recognized for academic achievement with a pizza, or other food themed party, certificates, buttons, and other give-a-ways.

The Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown meets weekly at 6:30 pm in the basement of the Mount Zion Presbyterian Church, 59 Main St. E., Ridgetown, every Thursday, from September 1st through June 30th each year. Summer meetings are hosted by members at various local addresses.



MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE

- February 18 Quiz Night
- February 25 Mystery Tour
- February 27 Division 4 caucus in London
- March 4 Annual Chili Cook-off
- March 11 PLG Allen presentation on trip to Ireland
- March 18 Julie & Wentworth Newman – aid to Christiana Jamaica – update & thanks
- March 20 & 21 Spring Craft Show
- March 25 Chatham-Kent Health Team – Marjorie Fair, Laura Johnson & Bob Fletcher
- April 1 Annual Club Elections
- April 8 Highway Cleanup
- April 15 Gail Stucke, Administrator, Lambton Kent District School Board
- April 23 – 25 Key Club Convention in Niagara Falls
- April 29 Key Club chairs the meeting and induction of Key Club Officers

FEBRAURY 18 MEETING

Quiz night at RDHS. Set up at 6:00, registration at 7:00 and quiz starts at 7:30pm. See you there!

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Go into the world and do well. But more importantly go into the world and do good.

The secret of health for both mind and body is not to mourn for the past, worry about the future, or anticipate troubles, but to live in the present moment wisely and earnestly.

CLUB OFFICERS:

President: Debbie Button Past President: June Guyitt
 President-elect: Alan Bloomfield Vice President: Allen Ure
 Secretary: Treasurer: Gary Guyitt

DIRECTORS:

Kevin Bartlett, Chris Arneill, Abdi Yuya, Kevin Hoskins (1 year)
 Shawn Hoskins, Craig Mitton John Wright, David Vaughan (2 years)

DISTRICT & DIVISION OFFICERS:

Governor: Gary Levine
 Governor Elect: Paul Toussaint
 Immediate Past Governor: Sheron Cameron-Dunn
 Div. 4 Lt. Gov. Jim Garey
 Div. 4 Past Lt. Gov. Randy Ross