



## KIWANIS BULLETIN

**Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction**

April 30, 2009

*Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.*

**Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction –Dennis Durmas-President**  
**Weekly meeting every Thursday, noon at Two Rivers Convention Center**  
**Web site: [www.kiwanis-gj.org](http://www.kiwanis-gj.org)**

Jeff Cyriacks, Stacey Mascarenas and Brad Krebill were our official greeters this week. I believe that Jeff was filling in until Brad arrived; what teamwork!! President Dennis welcomed all members and guests and then Jeanie played for us as we sang America the Beautiful. Toni Heiden-Moran delivered our invocation this week and Tammie Rupe sold raffle tickets. The winner this week received \$50.00 but I am not sure who the winner was☺ President Dennis talked about the Salvation Army dinner that he attended last week and it was a great event. Former Denver Bronco Randy Gradishar was at this dinner and Dennis received his autograph on his football through Dennis' son. Way to go, Guys.

We had some great guests this week from the Golden K Club. They were Wally Bissinger, John Bacheldor, and Fred Burmeister. Mailyn D'Aponti introduced Mike Ruspil from the White Family House Project. Mike gave a great talk about the project and our club donated \$951.00 to the project. There will be two work days for this project and volunteers are needed on May 9<sup>th</sup> or May 16<sup>th</sup>. Sign up sheets are on our tables.

Happy Bucks were paid his week by Gabe DeGabriel who is happy about the bar-b-que at Famous Dave's with the Fraternal Order of Eagles on Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup> form 11am-10pm. Famous Dave's will donate 10% of sales to the Fraternal Order of Eagles Diabetes Research Center. Chris Gumone was happy about Vikki Bell (was that for accepting the Vice President position of our club?); Kevin Price was happy about the MSC baseball; Thom Wheeler talked about the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Make a Difference in a Life Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at Adobe Creek Gold Course; Daretha Piper paid some happy bucks this week; I was happy about the luncheon last week honoring Jeanie Thomas; Joe Breman made some comments about the Swine Flu; LeAnne Zetmeir was happy about Jeanie's luncheon and the good time that she had at the fish fry last week; Kristin Winn's husband will be in concert on June 4<sup>th</sup> at Roper Music; Cathy Staten spent some happy bucks?; Sally Ryan echoed happy bucks for Jeanie and the fish fry; Jeanie Thomas gave us all a great big THANK YOU for last week's recognition; Nina Anderson is celebrating her second anniversary with her company; Toni Heiden-Moran thanked Jeanie for the memory and thinks that Bob Colony is the greatest!!!; Larry Beckner is happy that Argentina loves the USA; Heather Smith is happy that travel business is up, construction business is up and she has her house back. This was one happy club this week☺ !!!

Fine Master/President Dennis was at the helm this week. Orville Boge was fined because of his missing badge that Dennis had; Doug Carpenter was fined because of the Auction Team brochures that were on the tables; Vikki Bell was fined for "giggling" during the invocation and the pledge; Bob Colony was recognized as the American Business Women's Association Associate of the Year!!!; and Nina Anderson was fined again because she fails to mention Kiwanis when she is interviewed.

Steve Thompson wanted to know why he was greeted this week by the “Rotary Banner”?

Stacey Mascarenas started the program of Key Club Scholarship Recipients. This year Chris Jasper from Central High School, David McFall from Central High School, Meg Fischer from Central High School and Emma Kimball from Fruita Monument High School received scholarships from our club.

Steve Thompson spoke about our election on Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> for new board members. He recognized all current Board Members and announced officers for next year. Our President will be Maily D’Aponti, President-Elect Vern Gray, Vice-President Vikki Bell, Secretary Lynne Sorlye and Treasurer Cathy Staten. There are three board seats to fill and those nominated Kiwanians are Bev Troester, Roxie Denning, Katie Ames, Steve Attarian, Heather Smith and Stacey Mascarenas.

Bob Colony talked about Pancake Day and Corporate Sponsors; the total at this point for corporate sponsors is at \$19,000.00. This is quite a way from our \$40,000.00 goal.

Chris Gumone delivered our Joke of the Day and Dennis Durmas delivered our Thought of the Day this week.

Larry Beckner brought President Dennis a chicken in a cup from Argentina and John Hildebrand returned from Mexico with a shot glass and some liquor.

Remember next week is our Pancake Day Kickoff !!!!

Until next week.....Roxie Denning, Bulletin Editor