



KIWANIS BULLETIN

Kiwanis Club of Grand Junction

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

It was another beautiful day in Grand Junction and as we gathered as Kiwanians we were greeted by Bob Colony. The absent Orville Boge was truly missed☺ President Dennis opened our meeting and we sang Take Me Out To The Ballgame led by Rich Emerson and Terry Wakefield. Shawna Bonner sold raffle tickets this week and Vic Pawley delivered a wonderful invocation.

President Dennis announced that we will sponsor Cowley County Community College from Arkansas City, Kansas in the JUCO Tournament this year. On Saturday, May 23rd at 11am there will be a picnic at the South Shelter of Sherwood Park. We are all invited to attend. On Thursday, May 28th the team will join us for lunch at Two Rivers. Thanks went out to all who helped with the cleanup at Camp Kiwanis. And in the month of June, the Daily Sentinel will have ads in the paper talking about our Pancake Day on June 12th. Thank you, Dennis Mitchell!!

Guests this week: Heather Smith and her husband Jerry; Bev Troester and Sheryl Squire; Sally Ryan with Diana Tarasiewicz; Amy Dyer and the cool Rhonda Cool; Vikki Bell with three guests- Duncan, Paula and Darrell.

Happy Bucks from Joe Breman because of the trip that Thea is taking to Saudi Arabia to teach; Alan Watkins is happy about the NCAA Tournament that his alma mater is in; Kevin Price invited all to attend the MSC game on Thursday night; Steve Thompson's happiness could not be heard over the chatter at my table (sorry Steve); Bev Troester's daughter is graduating this Saturday from MSC and her son is home on leave; Deanna Colaizzi's happiness comes from her nephew and the sport that he is in; Amy Dyer and her husband Jon are celebrating their 31st wedding anniversary; Mailyn's daughter is graduating this year and the trip to California created some great recognition for the choir; Stacey Mascarenas talked about "Mike the headless chicken" in Fruita this weekend; Greg Schafer thanked all who helped with Camp Kiwanis cleanup; Jessica Miracle talked about an upcoming dance competition; Vikki Bell attended the Rotary lunch on Wednesday, May 13th and she is happy to be a Kiwanian!!; Rich Emerson is happy to be a florist; Ron Sherman talked about his wife, Rita, being out of town; and Daretha Piper invited us all to help serve a meal to the homeless.

Fine Master Dennis brought recognition (not a fine) to Chris Gumone and cooler parts at half price; Fred Nichols was in a Home Loan shirt this week and he did get fined for that; Jeff Freeland was fined for messing up Diana's glasses; Lee Younger was fined for lack of attendance at club and Bruce Hill was fined for something?? No one mentioned that he is the new mayor of Grand Junction!! Congratulations, Bruce.

Vikki Bell introduced Troy Sievers who presented our program this week. The subject was drug testing and Troy talked about ways that you can tell if someone is using drugs and how to help them. The focus was on teenagers.

Wes D'Aponti started the voting for new board members this year. Our incoming officers will be President Maily D'Aponti, President Elect Vern Gray, Vice-President Vikki Bell, Secretary Lynne Sorlye and Treasurer Cathy Staten. Last Tuesday's board meeting placed Brad Krebill in Senior status with our club, financials look good, food has been ordered for Pancake Day, and the Annual Safety Walk. In two weeks there will be a vote by our club members on whether or not to continue to sponsor this event. Scholarship fund recipients were recognized in the Daily Sentinel this week and the meeting was adjourned at 7pm.

Bob Colony and Katie Ames announced that our goal has been met!! We have raised \$40,075.00 from corporate sponsors and we can still accept those corporate dollars. The party will be at Bev Troester's home this year and there will be more details later.

Maily D'Aponti returned from Disneyland with a Mickey Mouse cap for President Dennis and then she talked about sign up sheets on the table for Pancake Day. Each Kiwanian is asked to give at least two hours on that day. Rick Nisley has shirts for sale; be sure and see what he has to offer this year. There's some new stuff!! On Friday, June 12th the 2009 Kiwanis Picnic will be at Hawthorne Park – 4th and Gunnison and Omar will cater. Be sure to sign up for this very fun event.

Sally Ryan talked about the golf tournament that is coming up at the end of this month. Please let her know if you want to attend the bar-b-que after the tournament. Remember the cost is \$12.00 per person. Erik Fields delivered the Joke of the Day. Mike Kelly talked about the Memorial Day weekend camping trip. Jessica Miracle talked about the need for silent auction items. Jeff Freeland talked about the golf tournament on Friday, May 29th and Heather Smith gave a report on this week's ticket sales. Joe Breman has the winning team for most tickets sold and Bob Colony and Sally Ryan were individual winners this week. They received Enstrom's toffee and a gift certificate from Johnson's House of Flowers.

Thom Wheeler was this week's raffle winner and now has \$32.00 of new money in his wallet.

Wes D'Aponti wrapped up our meeting by announcing the election results. The new board members are Stacey Mascarenas, Heather Smith and Roxie Denning. Then Wes delivered our Thought for the Day.

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