



# TUSCOLA KIWANIS CLUB NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2011

## 2011 Events

Friday, September 2	Board Meeting - Noon at Amishland Buffet-Red Barn
Fri & Sat, Sept 30 & Oct 1	Peanut Sales Days
Friday, October 7	Board Meeting - Noon at Amishland Buffet-Red Barn
Friday, November 4	Board Meeting - Noon at Amishland Buffet-Red Barn

## 2012 Events

Saturday, February 11	Pancake Breakfast – Forty Martyrs Hall
Friday, March 30	Fish Fry Supper – Forty Martyrs Hall

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## Upcoming Meetings & Program Assignments

September 5	No Meeting – Labor Day Holiday
September 12	Debbie Graber
September 19	Clarice Hausman
September 26	Darrell Helm
October 3	New Officer/Bd Member Installation
October 10	Kim Higgins
October 17	Jerry Leonard
October 24	Diane Pangburn
October 31	Candy Hudson
November 7	Tim Hoel
November 14	Paul Jones
November 21	April Kauffman
November 28	Judy Landeck

December 5	Betty Leonard
December 12	John Davis
December 19	Club Christmas Party
December 26	No meeting
January 2	Beth Linstead

Programs are scheduled through the end of the year. If your program date does not work for you, please notify Janet Butler as soon as possible so a date swap can be arranged.

**Don't Forget to Give Wayne your September Volunteer Hours  
at the end of the month!**

[Click here to enter hours online](#)

**New Dictionary Definitions**

These should be in a dictionary!

ADULT: A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

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DUST: Mud with the juice squeezed out.

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HANDKERCHIEF: Cold storage.

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INFLATION: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

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MOSQUITO: An insect that makes you like flies better.

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RAISIN: Grape with sunburn.

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SECRET: Something you tell to one person at a time.

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TOOTHACHE: The pain that drives you to extraction.

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TOMORROW: One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

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YAWN: An honest opinion openly expressed.

## Meeting Notes – August 1, 2011

- Attendance

34 - Members

3 - Guests: Jan Chappell's grandson, Thomas; from the American Cancer Society Amanda Buswell and Laura Hopping.

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Peanut Sales Days – Judy Landeck reported that the city approved the dates of Friday, 9/30 and Saturday, 10/1.

Membership Recruitment Dinner – Carol Burwash reminded members that had not provided two names for the dinner that today was the deadline. Invitations will be sent out by Wednesday, 8/3.

TCHS Scholarship – Lydia Swinford has provided the required documentation and requested her \$750.00 scholarship.

Kiwanis Family Picnic – Members were reminded that the picnic at Wayne & Joann Ward's is Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Bring a side dish and come out early. Eating at 5PM.

### Program:



Sherrie Hoel introduced our guest speaker, Laura Hopping from the American Cancer Society. Laura began by showing an informative video about the services of the American Cancer Society to the communities they serve.

For every dollar donated, 72 cents goes for research funding, cancer-fighting programs around prevention/early detection, and free hands-on services to assist patients. 21 cents goes for community events and programs to raise funds for our mission, celebrate survivors and offer healing for those who've lost loved ones to cancer. 7 cents goes to general costs and overhead.

For more information: [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org)

## Meeting Notes – August 8, 2011

- Attendance

42 - Members

6 - Guests: Vera Nauta, soon to be a new member; Marci Shoemaker, wife of Alan Shoemaker/daughter of Clarice Hausman; Tammy Baer and her son Connor; Kaleb Wachala, grandson of Ed Wachala; and our speaker, Brad Allen.

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Peanut Sales Days – With assistance from Mike Damler, Judy Landeck kicks off 2011 Peanut Sales Days, September 30 & October 1. Sign-up sheets will follow.



East Prairie B.U.G. Program – Connor and his mother, Tammy were treated to lunch with the club to honor Connor for his achievements during the 2010/2011 school year. Connor is a three-time winner, bringing his grades up three times during the school year. Mike Damler presented Connor with a special t-shirt.



Membership Recruitment Dinner – Carol Burwash reported that 60 invitations to 73 people had been sent on 8/3. So far, 45 members plan to attend. Carol asked for volunteers to make follow-up calls. The dinner is Thursday, August 25 at 6:30PM at the Amishland Buffet in the Red Barn.

North Ward Assist – If you are interested and can spend at least 30 min. once a week or more, Jeannine Fortney would like to have more Kiwanis volunteers to help at North Ward. Most volunteers listen to children read, however if you want even more of a challenge, those opportunities exist. Contact Jeannine if you can help.

East Prairie Homework Club – Jeannine is also looking for volunteers that would help students after school, Mon-Thu. If interested or want more information, contact Jeannine.

I-I District Convention – Mike Damler gave a report on the I-I district convention. The incoming 2011/2012 Governor will be John Vanderheyden. Over 1,600 bags of a seasoned rice mixture were prepared as a service project by convention attendees. One bag will feed 6 people for a meal at a cost of \$1.50. The highlight of the convention, for the Tuscola attendees, was the presentation of an Amador Award to Mike Damler.

Congratulations, Mike!!!



Gov. Larry Forsberg congratulating Mike at the Spastic Paralysis Foundation luncheon

### Program:



Linda Damler introduced our guest speaker, Brad Allen. Brad is the new TCHS principal, and like Kiwanis, he believes “It’s all about the kids.” He is also a big believer in community service. Brad has a wife, Tanya and two daughters. He provided some of his background and took questions.

## Meeting Notes – August 15, 2011

- Attendance

37 - Members

3 - Guests: Jane Wood, wife of Jim Wood; Marv Lichti and our speaker, Mike Haile.

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Stewardship Day – A sign-up sheet was passed for Stewardship Day at Walnut Point on Thursday, 9/8 from 8:45AM to about 2PM. Volunteers are needed and lunch is provided.

### Program:



Marge Conn introduced our guest speaker, Mike Haile. Mike is a Vice President of the News-Gazette, the General Manager of WDWS and has a morning radio

show, “Mike in the Morning.” He educated the group about the radio business today and entertained us with his stories. One of his favorite interviews was with Harrison Ford when he was filming “The Fugitive.” Join Mike on WHMS FM97.5 every morning, Monday-Friday at 5:30AM.

## Meeting Notes – August 22, 2011

- Attendance

38 - Members

6 – Guests: Vera Nauta, soon-to-be-member; Darla Gardner & Cathy Barnard, guests of Lorraine Best; Decatur Early Birds-Rich Barnett, Bill Meyer and Chuck Zweck

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Head Start Thank You – Jaci Manzella read a thank you note from the staff of Head Start thanking the Kiwanians that helped dismantle the playground on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

### Program:



Pat Damler shared highlights of her June vacation with many stunning photos. Accompanying her daughter Micki and her husband, they cruised

Royal Caribbean’s Navigator of the Seas ship. Their vacation began in Rome visiting the Coliseum, Trevi Fountain, the Pantheon, St. Peter’s Basilica at the Vatican and many other sites. The cruise included Sicily, Athens Greece, and Turkey.

## Meeting Notes – August 29, 2011

- Attendance

40 - Members

5 – Guests: Soon-to-be members, Vera Nauta, Darla Gardner, Mary Schultz and Tom & Pat Sturgis

- News, Announcements, Activities and/or Volunteer Opportunities

Thank You Notes – The club received thank you notes from SAM Pantry and St. John’s Hospital for our recent donations.

Membership Recruitment Dinner – The dinner was a great success and several new members are expected. The five lucky members who won free dinners are: Jan Chappell, Janet Cox, Mike Damler, Tim Hoel, and Kevin Nolan.

Peanut Sales Days – Judy passed around a sign-up sheet for 4 locations: Main & Sale, Progress Blvd., Pamida and IGA.

Labor Day – Members were reminded that there will be no meeting Labor Day, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

## Program:



Dave Dobson presented today’s program. His children had scanned many family photos, selected music and put it all together into a video.

Dave played the video with his additional commentary. Dave and his wife will celebrate their 59<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year. They have 4 children and numerous grandchildren. We got to know a lot more about Dave and his family.

## I-I District Convention – August 4-7, 2011



More Photos on Website

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**Kiwanis Family Picnic – 8/14/11**



More Photos on Website

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**Membership Recruitment Dinner – 8/25/11**



More Photos on Website

## August 2011 Board Meeting Highlights

The meeting was called to order at the Red Barn on Friday, August 12, 2011 at 12:05PM by President, Mike Damler, with the following members present: Janet Butler, Mike Damler, Sherrie Hoel, Tim Hoel, Kim Higgins, Candy Hudson, Jaci Manzella, Don Miller, Steve Niemann, Kevin Nolan, Wayne Ward and Gary Weber.

1. July Meeting Minutes – A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes. Minutes approved.
2. July Monthly Report – A draft copy of the report was provided to Board members. A motion was made to approve the report. The motion was seconded and approved.
3. Treasurer's Report – As of August 12<sup>th</sup>, the checking account balance was \$5,864.00. A motion was made to approve the report. The motion was seconded and approved.
4. Requests for Reimbursement/Budget Disbursements – Janet Butler submitted a bill in the amount of \$88.04 for stamps for the newsletter and recruitment dinner. Sherrie Hoel made a motion to disburse the budgeted \$100.00 to the Tuscola Soccer League and \$450.00 to the North Ward Backpack Program. The motions were made to approve the requests. The motions were seconded and approved.
5. Children's Miracle Network – Mike reported that \$180.00 had been collected to date from the ink cartridge recycling program. A motion was made to disburse \$100.00 at this time, and to budget \$150.00 for next year. The motion was seconded and approved.
6. Quinn Memorial – The Board approved a \$50.00 memorial donations to SAM Pantry in memorial of Carl Quinn.
7. Unpaid Dues – There are currently 6 members that owe the \$50.00 July dues and 2 members that owe \$100.00 for January and July. Reminders have been sent to the members. Selected Board members will personally visit the members that owe dues.
8. Installation of New Officers/Board Members – Janet Butler reported that installation of new officers and Board members will be conducted October 3<sup>rd</sup> by Gary Goeken, 2011/2012 Lt. Governor Division 27 from Decatur Golden K.
9. Garage Sale – The Board agreed that the club will hold a Garage Sale tentatively in June 2012. A confirmed date will be set and the Forty Martyrs Hall will be reserved.
10. Key Club – Mike Damler agreed to serve as one of the Key Club advisors for the 2011/2012 school year.

(Full text available on club website)

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## *Where Did the Summer Go?*

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New items on the website include: weekly meeting photos, convention photos, family picnic photos, membership recruitment dinner photos and more. Please provide any pictures, updates and corrections for newsletter or website to:

[dbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org](mailto:dbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org) or [jbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org](mailto:jbutler@tuscolakiwanis.org)

(If you need a screen and/or projector for your program, contact David or Janet Butler.)