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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings Fellow Kiwanians!

This is the time of year that we are all busy with the Holidays. In November, club members gathered at Wal-Mart and participated with "Walk with a Child". This event was a great success. It was one of the best we have had since I've been involved with Kiwanis. I want to thank Rob Dionne and his committee chairs for a great job.

Now we are into December and the club is busy getting ready for bell ringing to benefit the Salvation Army and club members are busy planning "Celebrate with a Child". "Celebrate with a Child" is a great time to see the kids and their smiling faces and bright eyes when Santa arrives. It gives you a great feeling that we are all making a difference in their lives by bringing them some holiday joy.

A New England District Conference was held November 20th through the 22nd. It was a great time for all. It was the first time I have been a facilitator; it humbled me to see how all were exploring ways to make their Kiwanis Clubs strong. I would like to challenge all members of the club to assist in enrolling 25 new members this year. We should focus on expanding the club and meeting this challenge. In the next few months, we will be exploring ways to achieve this goal.

I would like to thank David Bernard for all his hard work and dedication to the club over the years; he was recently recognized as the first recipient of the "Kiwanian of the Month" award.

Happy Holidays and God Bless.  
Glenn A Frost  
President

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

The following Club members were born and/or joined Kiwanis during the month of December. Club members wish them a Happy Birthday and/or Happy Anniversary!

### BIRTHDAYS

Dick Letendre - 12/1  
Fred Savage - 12/4  
Jon Noble - 12/23  
Mike Arrison - 12/24  
Steve Scheiner - 12/24  
Wes Greeley - 12/29

### ANNIVERSARIES

Dick Letendre - 1977  
Bill Widacher - 1992  
Dottie Gove - 1998  
John McGranahan - 2003

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS



Dec. 2nd: Rabbi Beth Davidson: "Jewish Holiday Traditions"

Dec. 9th: Kiwanians share their "Holiday Memories"

Dec. 16th: TBA

Dec. 23rd: Kiwanis Holiday Luncheon & The Majestic Theatre Performers

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING By Emile Tetu



The Board of Directors held its monthly meeting on November 19, 2009.

President Glenn welcomed Tracey Adams to the Board. She has been elected to fill the unexpired term of Skot Pare.

Tom Kallechey and his guest Professor Dan Forbes from Saint Anselm's College addressed the Board. Dan and many students at the college are involved in attempting to help clean up the current problem of bed bug infestation in the city of Manchester. He made a presentation to the Board on what he intends to do. They want to construct what is known as a "hot box" and are looking for two things: first they want a member of the Club to sit on a planning committee and secondly they would look to the Club for some limited involvement in constructing the box. Tom had asked Mike Arrison to be the Club volunteer to this committee and Mike agreed. The Board voted to have Mike serve as the Club representative to the planning committee. In accepting the position it took every bit of control Mike had to not say, "Don't Bug Me".

The minutes of the October 15th meeting and the financial statements for the end of October were approved. At present the Club has \$25,982 in the Foundation account, \$10,144 in the Parking account and \$17,249 in the Operating account. 76 members have paid their Club dues.

The 10-31-09 bank statements and the 9-30-09 New Hampshire Charitable Foundation statements were presented to the Board for their review.

Once again Fred Briggs has agreed to do the annual review of the Club's books. All related paperwork has been delivered to Fred and when completed a report will be given to the Board. The Board also reaffirmed the email vote to disburse the second of five annual donations of \$15,000 to Girl's Inc.

Glenn reported that Monika Bryant would be taking Key Club members from Bedford and West on a tour of KPIT at the NE Medical Center in Boston on December 5<sup>th</sup>

Monika and Mike are presently working with the three Key Clubs to get their rosters updated and at that point the Club will pay their dues for the year.

Rob Dionne volunteered to contact Bob Baines at Chester College to see if he can generate any interest in reactivating the Circle K at the college. Rob and Glenn would then meet with Bob.

The Ten K was a great success. Net income for the event was \$6,515 and the event went very smoothly. The Board congratulates Monika on her chairmanship of this event.

The next major fund raiser for the Club is the Auction scheduled for June 5, 2010. Debbie Landwehr is chairing this event and will be looking for help in the future.

The Read With A Child program at Beech Street School is in its second month. Debbie Landwehr will be doing the read today. Cathy Cere is looking for volunteers for the early part of next year. Hal Jordan, Becky Tetrault and Rob Dionne will contact her and let her know they want to volunteer.

Shannon Sullivan sent word to the Board that she still needs a few volunteers to complete the staffing at Bell Ringing on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have not volunteered, and are able to give up one hour on either of those dates please call Shannon.

Debbie Landwehr reported that she has more than enough volunteers for Celebrate With A Child on December 5, 2010. This event is scheduled to be held at Sweeney Post and 30 disadvantaged children from the greater Manchester area will have a great time. There will be arts and crafts for the kids, pizza, story telling and most importantly a visit from Santa Claus.

The tentative date for Fish With A Child is May 8, 2010.

Rob Dionne, who is the chair of the Human and Spiritual Values Committee, has asked the membership to let him know when they become aware of a member who may be in the hospital, sick, or simply having a tough time. He can see that a card is sent and if needed arrange to have the member visited by other Club members.

An Interclub with the Hudson Kiwanis Club took place on Monday evening (11/16) – 9 of our Club members were in attendance.

It was noted that Jen Indeglia will be letting the Club know what day we can help to serve a meal at Lauren's Café. Volunteers will be needed.

Rob Dionne has volunteered to serve as co-chair with Rob Batchelder on the Membership Growth Committee.

During the month of November the Trans Siberian Orchestra held two performances at the Verizon and the Club realized \$1,140 in parking revenue from the two shows. Fantastic!

Tom Kallechey has been updating the New England District information that is available to Club members and will continue to do this.

The Club's Walk With A Child program held on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> was fantastic. Forty five (45) children, with the help of the Kiwanis elves, shopped at Walmart and got the warm winter clothing that they needed. In addition Walmart, through their Foundation, donated \$1,500 to our Club's Foundation account and

provided a meal for all of the children. Thank you Walmart.

The Board approved the following donations:

- Breakthrough Manchester \$1,000
- NH Food Bank \$50
- YMCA Camp Scholarships \$1,200

The New England District Fall Training Conference will be held in North Conway in November and attending from the Club will be Glenn Frost, Monika Bryant and Kathy Duguay.

The Club will also be sending two representatives to The Kiwanis International Convention in June 2010. Debbie Landwehr and Rob Dionne will be making their reservations soon to get the early registration discounts.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for December 17, 2009 beginning at 7:30AM at Hampshire First Bank. All members are invited, and encouraged, to attend.

## PICTURES FROM OUR NOVEMBER MEETINGS

by Tom Kallechey



Sue Tetu with her young friend at "Walk With A Child" - View all pictures from "walk" at: <http://www.kiwanismanchesternh.org/photogallery.html>



Dave Bernard, first ever "Kiwanian of the Month" with Hal Jordan, Chair of Selection Committee and President Glenn Frost.



Tracey Adams was unanimously elected to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors. Tracey's election is effective immediately.



11-18-09 Jen Indeglia, Kiwanian and CFO of Girls Inc, accepting a \$15,000 check. This is the second payment in the Club's commitment of \$75,000 to Cafe Lauren, the program at Girl's Inc that provides

breakfast and dinner to girls and boys on Manchester's West side. Jen also brought the Club up to date on the development of Cafe Lauren and other activities at Girl's Inc.



11-11-09 on Veteran's Day, Major General (ret.) Kenneth Clark spoke on the partnership between Veterans Count and Easter Seals which provides services to the families of reservists from NH who are on active duty.



11-04-09 Dick Anagnost, Developer and Richard Elwell, CFO Elliot Health Systems discuss the hospital's expansion project at the former Jac-Pac site.

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