

Ridgetown Kiwanis Club News

May 27, 2018

M&Ms symbolizes "Membership Matters"

Kiwanis – Continued

May 17th Meeting

20 members and one Aktion Club member joined together to do our annual roadside cleanup on Victoria Road from the edge of town to Morpeth.

When the clean up was done we all got together for some fellowship over some pizza from Station 11.

May 24th Meeting

O Canada lead by PE Allen, Invocation by Key Club Member, Hunter

Attendance: 22 Members, 2 Guest, 1 Key Club Member

Mystery Handshake:

Kiwanian Jim Miller - Caught Gary W, Alan G and Ken R

Introduction of Guests

PE Allen introduced Marsha Miller, Kiwanian Jennifer introduced Key Cluber Hunter Lang

Happy Bucks:

Alan B – just celebrated his 37th Anniversary May 23rd

Pres John – over 500 trees planted on the 23rd in the woodlot in about an hour

Craig – this week's newspaper article "In the Past" features one of our old Teddy Bear Picnics.

Shaun X3 – 1 He and his wife just purchased a house just outside of Ridgetown, 2 they sold their existing house in five hours, 3 last week his work on the splash pad was completed and it was in the paper.

PE Allen X2 – 1 Thanks to the other ten that helped out at Kiwanis Park, 2 at convention, due to technical difficulties he got to lead the opening anthems with Past Governor Peter.

John W X2 – 1 Got granddaughter out to plant trees and, 2 – Got out of Newfoundland just in the nick of time

Mary Ann Teddy Bear Picnic planning is going well and all 1000 tickets are sold.

Reports:

Mary Ann -Teddy Bear Picnic – meet for Breakfast at 8:00 a.m. at Yeck's. the all hands on deck for the picnic.

PE Allen gave some highlights form convention – here are a few: 317 delegates were there, representing 137 clubs. In total there were 507 Kiwanians and 45 guests. 109 first time District Convention attendees, 10 from Eastern Canada. Next year District Convention is in Stratford.



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Kiwanis Moments

Our Impact!

Service is at the heart of every Kiwanis International club, no matter where in the world it's located. Kiwanis members stage more than 150,000 service projects, devote more than 6 million hours of service and raise nearly US\$100 million every year for communities, families and projects. Key Club members pitch in 12 million hours of service each year, and CKI members add another 500,000 hours. Aktion Club members donate another 92,000 hours of service every year to communities. Add it all up and that's more than 18 million hours of service every year!

Kiwanis clubs have built all-access playgrounds, restocked libraries, created food pantries, bought medical equipment, hosted diversity fairs, stuffed back packs with school supplies and much, much more. Local projects are based on the needs of the community.

Kiwanis programs for youth and young adults help to create the next generation of community leaders. For instance, Key Club, the world's oldest and largest service organization for high school students, encourages leadership development through service to others. Aktion Club, the only service club for adults with disabilities, helps members find purpose and self-worth through park clean ups, food drives and other projects. And programs like Bring Up Grades and Terrific Kids empower children to be accountable for themselves so they succeed in life.

The Eliminate Project: Kiwanis eliminating maternal and neonatal tetanus

Through The Eliminate Project, Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus—a deadly disease that steals the lives of 34,000 innocent babies and a significant number of women each year.

We reached our fundraising goal, raising US\$110 million in cash and pledges since 2010. However, our job is not done yet.

Meeting Schedule

May 31 - Business meeting
June 7 - Human Trafficking
June 14 - Car rally
June 21 - Business meeting
June 28 -

Summer meetings are coming quick. Please see Kiwanian Mary Ann if you can hos a summer meeting.

Reminder from a previous Board Meeting

The board had a discussion on how fellow members should be addressed at meetings. It was agreed that it is too difficult to remember members past titles, so from now on, it is appropriate to simply use the **term Kiwanian and the person's first name** for all members, with one exception. The person chairing the meeting should still be addressed using their proper title. Also remember that there will be a fine for addressing a member by Kiwanian followed by their surname as opposed to their first name.

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Now, more than ever, we are determined to finish what we started. Mothers and babies in 15 countries are depending on Kiwanis to turn promises into funding; funding into vaccines; and vaccines into lives saved and futures protected. The end of this disease means the beginning of better health for so many of these families.

Worldwide Service Project to rid the world of Iodine Deficiency Disorders

Members and clubs contributed more than US\$105 million toward the global elimination of Iodine Deficiency Disorders (IDD), the leading preventable cause of mental and developmental disabilities in the world. UNICEF heralded the effort as one of the most successful health initiatives ever. Today, Kiwanis International works for the sustained elimination of IDD through the Iodine Global Network—a coalition of public, private, international and civic organizations working to create a world where all people attain optimal iodine nutrition.

MEETING NOTES CONTINUED

Reports Continued

Brian H – Everything is looking good for the fish fry on Saturday night. Really need a dish washer. Need help Friday evening at 6:30 to set up hall and bread fish. Saturday need members there by 3:00 we start to serve at 4:30.

John W – Canada Day parade Committee going well – selling 50/50 tickets to offset the price of fireworks.

Gary Wake introduced our guest Speaker tonight. Brian Knowler, OPP Officer and Author of “On The Other Side of Broken - One Cop's Battle With the Demons of Ptsd”

In 2004, Brian Knowler was the first police officer at the scene of a fatal collision. The driver who died was a close friend of Brian's and died while Brian was attempting to save his life. For 8 years, Brian hid the physical and psychological effects of that evening while his personal and professional life crashed around him. In 2012, he finally admitted that he had a problem and was diagnosed with Ptsd. In the years since then, he has regained control of his life. This book is the story of Brian's journey from the fateful night of his friend's death to a place where he can now tell the tale of his descent into blackness, and his climb back, with complete candor and honesty. The book also includes a chapter by Brian's wife on her experiences as a proud police wife who watched her husband turn into a man she didn't recognize but fought alongside of him to heal and rebuild their lives. It is the story of one family's trek from the darkness to the other side of broken.

Club Draw

sales \$46, 20% for winner is \$9.00, and \$13.00 added to the jackpot, which now stands at \$194.00 and the club has received \$327. _ Draw won by Hanna she drew the Ace of Clubs, Oh, so close.

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Other

If anyone has pictures or stories they would like to share, please send them along to me please.

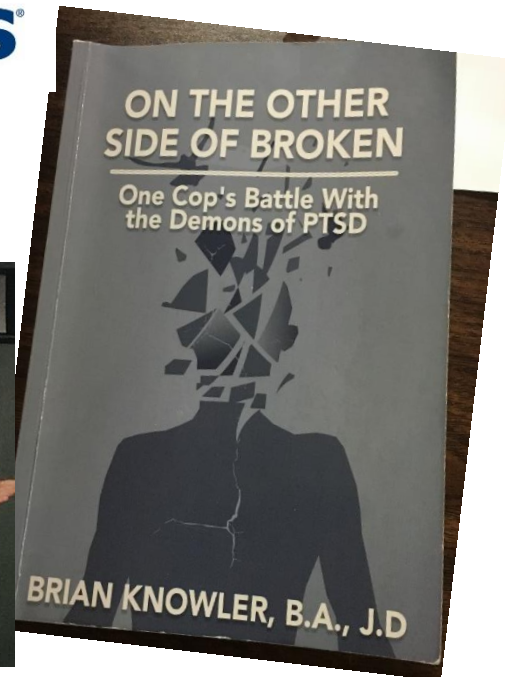
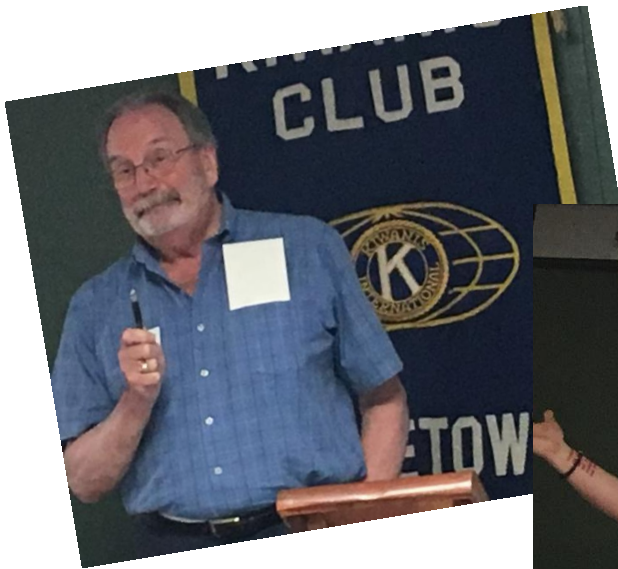
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Upcoming Events

June 14 – Car Rally



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