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## NOTES FROM THE WEEKLY MEETING HELD OCTOBER 17, 2013

President Lauren Rizzuto commenced the meeting at 12:15 PM.  
We sang, pledged and prayed along with Ann Giannetti.

**GUESTS:** Judith Bouchard brought Marge Ballard has her guest.

**BIRTHDAYS:** We sang happy birthday to June Vandal (October 17<sup>th</sup>).

**ANNIVERSARIES:** We sang happy (wedding) anniversary to Ed & Joan Siebert (October 17<sup>th</sup>).  
There were no Kiwanis anniversaires.

**50/50 DRAWING:** Won by Ed Murphy!

**HAPPY DOLLARS:**

- 💰 Janet (the waitress) - \$5 because Ed Murphy told her to;
- 💰 Ed Murphy - \$5 because of Janet's \$5 and \$2 just because;
- 💰 Bruce Burchstead - \$1 for having his picture in the paper; and
- 💰 June Vandal - \$1 for the "Happy Birthday" we are going to sing to her, and for the great lunch of stuffed shells, chicken parmesan & garlic bread.

**LUNCHEON**

**PROGRAM:** In lieu of a guest speaker this week, Lauren conducted a team building exercise. Each of the three tables of members was asked to talk amongst themselves about what Kiwanis means to each of them. A representative member was chosen to articulate to the group the observations of each table. Comments were insightful and diverse:

- "K" is for kindness
- "I" is for involvement with the community
- "W" is for the work we do
- "A" is for always there
- "N" is for neighbors
- "I" is for ideas
- "S" is for service (not success)
- Camaraderie through the show
- Friendships
- Dedication to serving our community
- Pride in what we do
- Interaction with all ages, especially youth

There were terrific comments from all!

Ann Giannetti commented that "we sing even though we can't sing --  
and we dance even though we can't dance." So true, Ann.

The Meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.

CHUCKLES: Q: What do you get from a pampered cow?  
A: Spoiled milk.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- OCTOBER 21: Community Projects Meeting, Brian Cofrancesco's home, 7:00 PM.
- OCTOBER 21: Kapers Ticket Calling Session, City Hall Clerk's Office, 7:00 - 9:00 PM.
- OCTOBER 22: Kapers rehearsal, Lincoln Middle School, 7:00 PM.
- OCTOBER 23: Kapers Ticket Calling Session, City Hall Clerk's Office, 7:00 - 9:00 PM.
- OCTOBER 24: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM. New Member Induction.
- OCTOBER 29: Kapers rehearsal (*full dress rehearsal*), Lincoln Middle School, 6:00 PM.
- OCTOBER 30: Kapers rehearsal (*full dress rehearsal*), Lincoln Middle School, 6:00 PM.
- OCTOBER 31: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM.
- NOVEMBER 6: Board Meeting, Lauren Rizzuto's house, snacks 6:30 PM, meeting 7:00 PM.
- NOVEMBER 7: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM.
- NOVEMBER 14: Evening service project meeting (*socks and blankets for KPTI*), at Masonic Temple, 112 East Main Street, Meriden, 6:30 PM.
  
- NOVEMBER 21: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM.
- NOVEMBER 22-23: New England & Bermuda District Fall Training Conference, North Conway, NH.
  
- NOVEMBER: November is Kiwanis Family Month. During Kiwanis Family Month, show your appreciation to your Kiwanis family and acknowledge all the amazing work we do in the community and for the children of the world.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING:

KAPERS  
REHEARSALS ARE  
IN FULL SWING!



The ballerinas (Bill Passarelli, David Wyskiel and Brian Cofrancesco) in the "passe" position. And, George Hamrah waiting for his cue.



Director Frank Jackson leading the Kapers troupe through a number.

BABY BLANKET SALE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR ELIMINATE

At a service project held at Jen & Justin Piccirillo's house on September 14<sup>th</sup>, Kiwanians made an estimated 30 baby blankets out of cute, cuddly fleece material. On October 12<sup>th</sup>, Jen Piccirillo and Melissa Neville set up a display and sold the blankets at the Zion Lutheran Church's Scarecrow Festival in Wallingford. (One woman who didn't buy a blanket, generously donated money for the Eliminate project anyway.) A total of \$100 was raised that day. Additionally, Jen has made sales to her fellow teachers and her fundraising efforts have reached \$160 thus far. Great job Jen, Melissa and all the Kiwanians who put their time and effort to make the beautiful baby blankets!

ELIMINATE  
maternal/neonatal tetanus



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