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NOTES FROM THE WEEKLY MEETING HELD APRIL 17, 2014

President Lauren Rizzuto opened the meeting at 12:50 PM. We sang and pledged. Bob Gollnick wrote and read a beautiful original prayer. Also, a moment to ask everyone to keep Jim Gamble in your thoughts. He had all of the toes amputated from one foot. He will be going to Gaylord for rehab.

GUESTS: Bob MacDuff brought his granddaughter, Morgan, and Loyd Davis brought his daughter, Daria.

- HAPPY DOLLARS:**
- ⊗ David Elkin - As a reminder that Relay for Life clip board is being passed around and also the sign-up sheet for the Teacup Auction.
 - ⊗ Nancy Stewart - Five Happy Dollars because The Greater Meriden Community Chorus had two beautiful performances of the "Crucifixion" and also happy to have seen "28 College Kids" at Carnegie Hall.
 - ⊗ Bob Gollnick - Very happy tax season is over.
 - ⊗ Lorraine Gamble - Very happy to be here with everyone.
 - ⊗ Sandi Gollnick - Three Happy Dollars: one for how proud she is of her husband, Bob's beautiful prayer; another for being happy tax season is over; and a third for Jim Gamble doing better.
 - ⊗ Elaine Murphy - Happy Jim Gamble's mood is improving and a request to please continue to send cards.
 - ⊗ Eileen Bongiovanni - Two Happy Dollars: one to ask for help for the Daffodil Festival and another for winning the 50/50.

50/50: Won by Eileen Bongiovanni!

BIRTHDAYS: We sang "Happy Birthday" to Corinne Balcher (April 17th), Charles Douglas (April 23rd), David Elkin (April 26th) and John Mierzejewski (April 26th).

ANNIVERSARIES: We recognized the wedding anniversaries of Jack and Julia Kane (April 24th) and Alta and Bill Nickodemski (April 26th). We celebrated the Kiwanis Anniversaries of Loyd Davis (April 26th - 33 years) and Michelle Bourdeau (April 25th - 7 years).

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please sign up for the Daffodil Festival on April 26th and 27th with Eileen Bongiovanni. Everyone is expected to help. If anyone can help with the truck on Friday, please let Eileen know.

Lauren reviewed the Calendar of Events and closed the meeting at 1:05 PM.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- APRIL 24th: Service Project Night Meeting, making "Mother's Day" cards for the elderly, at Child Guidance Clinic Board Room, 384 Pratt Street, Meriden, 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Bring a snack to share.
- APRIL 26th-27th: Meriden Daffodil Festival - selling fried dough at the Kiwanis tent. *Please contact Eileen or Terry Bongiovanni to sign up for a shift.*
- MAY 1st: Luncheon Meeting, Il Monticello, 12:15 PM.
- MAY 5th: Community Projects Meeting, Frontera Grill, 800 E. Main Street, Meriden, 6:00 PM. Please RSVP to JoAnne Keene if you plan on attending.
- MAY 7th: Board Meeting at Lauren Rizzuto's house, light fare at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:00 PM.
- MAY 9th: Annual Teacup Auction, Il Monticello, \$25 per person, 6:00 PM cocktail hour, 7:00 dinner. Please RSVP to David Elkin at (860) 426-0881 or dlelkin1@gmail.com.
- MAY 15th: Educational Awards Night Dinner, Il Monticello, \$21, cocktails at 6:30 PM and a buffet style dinner at 7:00 PM. Please RSVP to Ann Giannetti.
- MAY 17th: Kiwanis One Day Project - Cleanup at Camp Nerden, 89 Powder Hill Road, Middlefield, 9:00 AM to Noon. Pot luck picnic lunch to follow.
- MAY 22nd: Lunch at Wilcox. Further details to follow.
- JUNE 12th: Kiwanis Peanut Day. Breakfast at 8:00 AM at Alan's Cup n' Saucer. Stay tuned for details.

KIWANIS CLUB OF MERIDEN -- SPRING MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

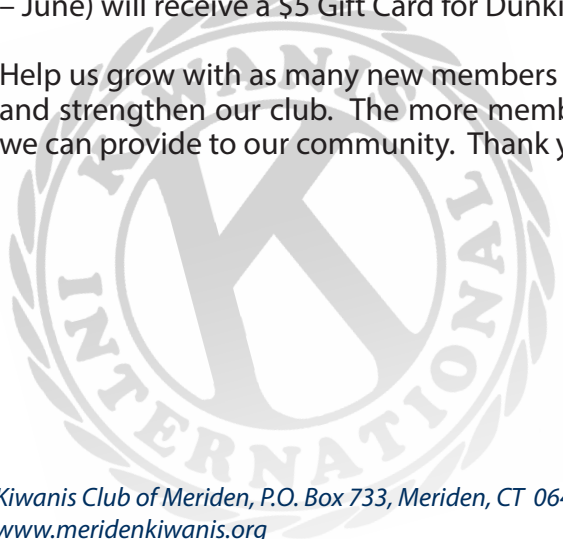
Happy Spring! It's a season for growth and a time for cultivation. The Membership Committee is conducting a Spring Membership Drive. Our club needs to continue to grow and attract new members with enthusiasm, fresh ideas and committed to making a difference in our community.

We are asking all club members to show their support by providing the Membership Committee with the contact information for individuals who are dedicated, like-minded and willing to devote time and effort to the causes this club champions.

In addition to regular members, a new membership option, the Corporate Membership, allows our club to add a local company or organization as a "member" via a designated membership seat. Companies want to be "good corporate citizens" and find this membership appealing because they recognize the value of affiliation with a well-respected service organization like Kiwanis. So, if anyone has an idea for a Corporate Member, please submit any contact information to the Committee.

We want to show our appreciation for your efforts, so as a reward, anyone who brings in a new member during our Spring Membership Drive (April - June) will receive a \$5 Gift Card for Dunkin Donuts!

Help us grow with as many new members we can get this spring to build and strengthen our club. The more members we have the more service we can provide to our community. Thank you for your support.



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