



# KIWANIS BUILDER



A Publication of the Kiwanis Club of McKinney

Texas/Oklahoma District

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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

Our meetings are every Thursday at Noon at St. Peters Episcopal Church 400 N. College Street/P.O. Box 667

Page One "2015 marks 100 years of Kiwanians worldwide "Serving the Children of the World"

## CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Our big box is at the Super 1 food store. It is not by the front doors, but on the next row. Easy to find – it has Christmas lights. The store will have prepackaged bags for sale and gift coupons at the registers. Super 1 will also furnish the boxes and a coupon for a hen.

We will be going by to empty the box weekly and keep the food at Tom Day's garage. 105 N Benge St, McKinney, TX 75069. We will assemble the boxes on Friday December 18<sup>th</sup> and then deliver the food on December 19<sup>th</sup>. A list will be given out to teams for delivery. Go to Super 1, buy a bag or coupon!

## SALVATION ARMY KETTLE

Now through December 24<sup>th</sup>

Our club is in charge of ringers for the Salvation Army Kettle at Sam's on University Drive from the day after Thanksgiving until Christmas Eve. Dennis Williams has gotten groups, businesses and individuals to ring. If he needs a fill in be ready to answer his call. Our assigned days are ½ day on December 21<sup>st</sup> and December 24<sup>th</sup>.



## CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

This Thursday December 10<sup>th</sup> Kiwanis Christmas Barn Party at Sara & Tim Thomas. FUN, FELLOWSHIP, and WHITE ELEPHANTS. You should have received an Invitation and Directions contact Sandra.



## DIVISION COUNCIL MEETING

**Last Saturday December 5**

Thanks for heading out to Terrell Rob Nelson, Dennis and Sandra Williams. We had a great program on Jerry's Dream Camp from the Pleasant Grove club. They sponsor 80 underprivileged kids from Pleasant Grove area to one week of camp at Hidden Acres. We also heard about a T/O District program to encourage each club to collect items for their local shelters. More information will be sent out soon.

## RAMP/MODULE BUILDS

Our next module build will be **December 17<sup>th</sup>**. Meet at 5:45 in front of Party City. Hwy 380 & 75 near Lowes. We will leave promptly at 6pm. All tools are furnished (but bring your own gloves). Thanks to everyone that went last week.

OJT, NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED.

**Contact: Kirk Saxon.**

## Ramp to build on December 5<sup>th</sup>

We had a good turnout. Thanks to Kent VM, Shannon, John Minnis, Jacob Minnis, John Moore, Tom Day, Jim Cairo, Jim Hudson, and Kirk. Also would like to thank Lifepointe Fellowship church as they donated \$1000 to our ramp project!

## BINGO

Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup> at Park Manor Nursing Home 1801 Pearson Ave

Thanks to Dave Hinman for the little gifts for the residents. Thanks to Terry Sanner for calling the numbers. Helping the residents with their cards were John & Jan Moore, Doc Hill and Sandra Williams. Contact: Paula Ator

## TERRIFIC KIDS

At three Elementary Schools  
**Caldwell:** Contact Dub Norrid  
**Finch:** Contact is Bob Cole  
**Webb:** Reading every Thursday morning. To Sign up contact: Jim Smith



## KEY CLUBS

A student run service organization mirroring Kiwanis. These young people are enthusiastic and fun to be around. We have clubs at Four High Schools

**Boyd:** Dan Trahan & Tom Day  
Faculty Advisor: Harriet Bergman

**McKinney:** Margaret Harsch  
Faculty Advisor: Laura Smith

**North** Contact: Payton Brooks.  
Faculty Advisor: Whitney Williams

**Lovejoy:** Justin Beller  
Faculty Advisor: Amanda Beller

## Holiday meeting Schedule:

-No meeting Christmas week  
- Meet Tuesday New Year week, December 29<sup>th</sup> at noon. This is the 5<sup>th</sup> week, so weird Tuesday. An opportunity to Sell off...I mean show off some of your Christmas gifts.

## \*Weird Thursday/Tuesday

Whenever we have 5 weeks in a month we have a weird Thursday meeting. Bring in an item that could be considered a White Elephant item or bring in something wonderful. We have a live auction and the money goes to our administrative account. FUN!



**MEALS ON WHEELS – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

*Pick-up at 10:45 a.m.*

*Interested in doing meals on wheels? Call Sandra Williams*

**-WEDNESDAY**

**Dec 9:** Dennis W./Angie Swanner

**Dec 16:** Henry Myrick

**Dec 23:** Jared Cole/Ron Cole

**Dec 30:** Durinda Fisher/Connie Gibson

**THURSDAY**

**Dec 10:** Mary Minnis/Dennis Williams

**Dec 17:** Sara Thomas/Bob Cole

**Jan 7:** Dub Norrid/John Moore

**Jan 14:** Henry Myrick

Get your own sub if needed, call: Henry Myrick 972-562-8269 or Dennis Williams 972-562-7219 John Moore for Thursdays only.

**BIRTHDAYS FOR DECEMBER**

Ron Cole	12/05
Jim Cairo	12/10
Roger Dickey	12/11
Mary Minnis	12/17
Tom Day	12/25
Suzanne Davis	12/28

**ANNIVERSARY'S FOR DECEMBER**

Dick & Sue Horn	12/10
Justin & Amanda Beller	12/27
Keith & Debbie Reeder	12/27
Jim & Nancy Harmon	12/28
Brian & Kathy Cunningham	12/29



101<sup>st</sup> International Convention  
June 23-26 2016

Canadian culture, International influence. That's Toronto. And that's where we'll be in 2016. Join other Kiwanians for next year's convention- in a city that blends traditions and passions for more than 100 cultures. It's the perfect place to celebrate 100 years of Kiwanis in Canada. [Kiwanis.org/convention](http://Kiwanis.org/convention)

**CLEAN UP OUR MEETING ROOM!!!**

**Please clean your own table!**

The following members will be responsible for making sure the room is clean and **all** items put away.

**Dec 17:** Bill Rosnett, Kirk Saxon, Kathy Stringer

**Dec 29:** Angie Swanner, Sara Thomas, Ronnie Thomason

**Jan 7:** Michelle Beatty, Payton Brooks, Dennis Burt

**Jan 14:** Paula Ator, Kent Van Meter, Rachel Weinmann

If everyone takes their turn the burden does not go to the few. Thanks!!!!

**PROGRAMS: Please help with suggestions!!**

**Dec 10:** No Meeting – Christmas Party that evening

**Dec 17:** North High Singing Christmas Carols

**Dec 24:** No Meeting – Merry Christmas

**Dec 29:** Tuesday Meeting – New Years' Week is Weird Thursday, uh Tuesday\*

If you have suggestions for a program, please don't hesitate to **contact Michelle Beatty or Jim Smith.**

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Dec 10:** Thursday Christmas Party – No noon lunch

**Dec 14:** Board Meeting – Jim Smith's home

**Dec 18:** Assemble Food boxes at Tom Day's

**Dec 19:** Christmas Food distribution

**Dec 21 & 24:** Club Bell Ringing – Sam's on Hwy 380

**Dec 29:** Tuesday meeting – Weird Tuesday

**KIWANIS EDUCATION**



The first president of Kiwanis International was George F. Hixson of the Rochester, New York, Kiwanis Club. He was elected in 1916 at the first international convention in Cleveland and re-elected the next year. He is the only international president to serve two terms. The Hixson Fellowship of the Kiwanis International Foundation is named in his honor; Hixson medals are presented to donors who have contributed at least US\$1,000 to the Hixson Endowment Fund or the Global Campaign for Children (which includes funds raised for the IDD worldwide service project and The Eliminate Project.)

Our Club has given a Hixson medal to 18 of our members during our club campaign to Eliminate Iodine Deficiency Disorder (IDD). Did you know that a teaspoon of salt a year can get a person of mental, physical and birth defects including Thyroid enlargement – sometimes called "goiter"

**CLUB OFFICERS:**

- President:** Jim Smith [smith.jim1956@gmail.com](mailto:smith.jim1956@gmail.com)
- Pres-Elect:** Michelle Beatty
- V-Pres:** Dennis Burt
- Past President:** Jim Cairo
- Secretary:** Sandra Williams [dscustomwood@gmail.com](mailto:dscustomwood@gmail.com)
- Treasurer:** Margaret Harsch
- Directors:** Beth Hensley, Dave Hinman, Tressie Johnsen, Rob Nelson, Kirk Saxon, Bill Rosnett

This is your newsletter; please submit any articles & ideas by Monday afternoon of each week to Sandra Williams at: [dscustomwood@gmail.com](mailto:dscustomwood@gmail.com)

**KIWANIS WEB SITES:**

**Check out our club on:**

[www.mckinneykiwanis.org](http://www.mckinneykiwanis.org), Mark Burns – Web Master.

And on **Face Book**

**District:** [www.txok-kiwanis.org](http://www.txok-kiwanis.org)

**Division:** <http://kiwanis2.wordpress.com> and

**Kiwanis International:** [www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)

Our Web site was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> best in our District. Take a tour, on the first page on the right drop down menu, **Resources**, click on Log in and follow directions.

**Texas Oklahoma District Convention**

Allen, TX August 11-14, 2016

Our club will be responsible for the Memorial Breakfast and Memorial Service. This is a great opportunity to attend a convention nearby. We will need everyone's support. Contact Jim Smith