



The Wausau Evening News

Official bulletin of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Wausau

JULY-AUGUST 2010

www.greaterwausaukiwanis.org

MEETING SCHEDULE

We meet the Second and Fourth Thursday of each month except November & December.

July 1 – No Meeting

Bring item(s) for The Neighbor's Place Food Pantry – In July, bring especially **canned meat (tuna, chicken, etc.)**

July 8 – The Future of our Elephant Ear Wagon



THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MEETING–Please attend.

The Elephant Ear Committee has some options for the future of our big fund raising project – including selling the concession. Your input is important.

Guest Speakers: Henry Osswald and the Elephant Ear Committee

Invocation by Pat Morath

Location: Best Western Midway Hotel, 5:15 PM

Board of Directors Meeting after the regular meeting.

July 15 – No Meeting

July 22 – 2009-2011 LIFE in Marathon County Report

LIFE

Guest Speaker: Rita Straub, LIFE Vice-Chair

Invocation by Angie Burger

Location: Best Western Midway Hotel, 5:15 PM

(Also Henry will hand out Fair Passes for Elephant Ear workers)

July 29 – No Meeting

August 3-8 Elephant Ear Fund Raiser at Wisconsin Valley Fair

Bring item(s) for The Neighbor's Place Food Pantry – In August, bring especially **canned vegetables.**

August 12 – To Be Announced

Program Chair: Angie Burger

Invocation by Bob Fredericksen

Location: Best Western Midway Hotel, 5:15 PM

Board of Directors Meeting after the regular meeting.

August 19 – No Meeting

August 26 – Corn Roast at Marathon Park



Picnic at a shelter near the campgrounds plus Annual Meeting of Elephant Ears Inc.

Chair: Marvin Machel

5:15 p.m. Corn Roasting by Gene Laurent & crew

Invite a guest



July-August 2010

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
7- 6 Tom Ricklefs 7- 9 Angie Burger 7-19 Warren Torgerson 8-14 Marvin Machel 8-21 Bob Fredericksen 	7-4 Chris & Mark Walber 7-5 Sara & Steve Sedo 7-29 Bob & June Fredericksen 8-5 Chuck & Carolyn Johnson 8-6 Bob & Joyce Guenther 8-9 Claudette & Ben Harring 8-10 Henry & Betty Osswald 8-10 Tom & Sue Ricklefs 8-11 John & Thelma Webb 8-29 Verne & Helen Hook

Upcoming Invocators & Program Chairs

Date	Invocation	Program Chair
Sept 2	No Meeting	
Sept 9	Marvin Machel	EE Recognition Dinner
Sept 16	No Meeting	
Sept 23	Henry Osswald	Gary Alexander
Sept 30	No Meeting	
Oct. 7	No Meeting	
Oct. 14	Gene Laurent	Installation

Please give program information for newsletter to Fred by the 15th of the previous month. Any questions, contact Program Chair Fred Straub.

Mark Your Calendar

- July 14** Kiwanis Free Swim Day
- July 24** Popcorn Wagon at WestonFest
- August 3 -- 8** Elephant Ears at Fair
- August 20-22** WI-UM District Convention, Appleton
- August 28** K-Family Brewers Game

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

Bits & Pieces

- ✓ **NEEDED--a member to purchase and restock the popcorn wagon during the football season.** Need to be able to carry 50 lb bags of popcorn. Bob Gifford is no longer able to do this because of health issues. Contact Bob or Jeremy.
- ✓ **Thanks to the members that helped at the Kiwanis Little Olympics.**
- ✓ **Congratulations to Mary Voelker** on her retirement.
- ✓ **Kiwanis shirts and vests** can be ordered any time. Contact Jeff Crowell for samples, sizes, and costs.
- ✓ **Thanks to Wayne Schmidt, Gene & Barb Laurent, and Rita Straub** for organizing and helping with the Club Picnic on June 10th.

Elephant Ear Wagon

The Fair is coming up soon -- August 3-8. We will need help from every able-bodied member plus spouses, significant others, relatives, and friends. The Key Club will have two members during the first two shifts but they are not permitted to work near the hot oil vat. **PLEASE SIGN UP WITH HENRY FOR THE SHIFTS YOU CAN WORK.**

11:45-4:00 4:00-8:00 8:00-Closing

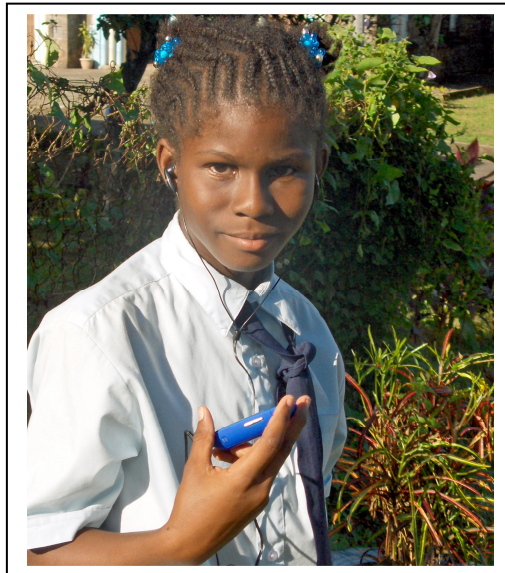
- Please be on time for your shift--allow time for parking and eating meals prior to your shift.
- If you are not able to "take the heat," consider helping with morning cleanup/preparation or closing cleanup.
- HELP is also needed on Monday, August 2, for setup and cleaning the wagon. All help is appreciated.

The enclosed insert advertising our Elephant Ears is from the Good News Project's website:
www.goodnewswi.com

Kiwanis Elephant Ears Help Feed West Indies Children

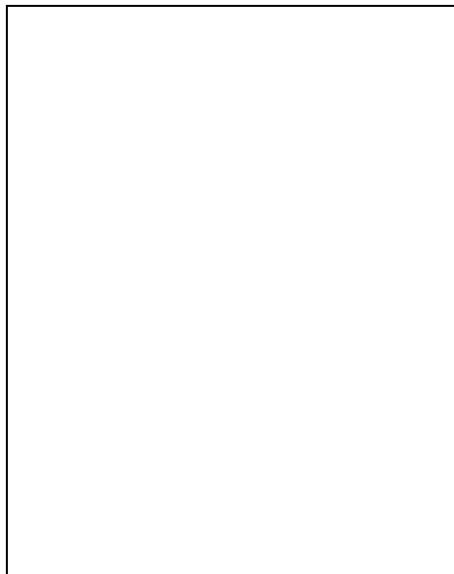
No, the kids don't eat real elephant ears. We're talking about the sugary delicacy sold by the Kiwanis Club of Greater Wausau at the Marathon County Fair. Each year, Kiwanis volunteers sell the large pastry to thousands of hungry fairgoers. It is a "must have" tradition for people of all ages. It is also a tradition that some of the funds raised at the fair have gone to Good News programs for children on the islands of St. Lucia, St. Vincent, Dominica and Grenada.

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Wausau has teamed up with Good News Project to support such diverse programs as tooth sealant at children's dental clinics, sleeping mats for a childcare center, ABC workbooks for schools and large pots and pans to start a school lunch program. Kiwanis has provided funds to help build a shelter for abused girls, to start an alcohol treatment program and for a brochure featuring the Children's Home Thrift Shop (an important fundraising tool).



Kiwanis funds have also been used to provide prizes for the top readers in Dominican schools. This young lady was very proud of the MP3 player she won, and the recognition she received.

Using the "give a fish/teach to fish" philosophy, Kiwanis has also supported programs that have created jobs and provided inexpensive items for the islands' poor. Beside the Thrift Shop, Kiwanis has funded the Bread for Children Bakery in St. Vincent, a paper making program in St. Lucia and Woodturning Pen Projects on three islands.



All these programs have provided jobs, life long skills and have fostered the volunteer spirit and the entrepreneurial spirit. So the next time you are at the fair, treat yourself and hundreds, maybe thousands of children by eating a Kiwanis elephant ear. Who knew something that tasted so sweet could do so much good around the world!

Rita and Fred Straub, Gary Alexander and Jeff Mulhern are all members of the Kiwanis Club of Greater Wausau who have served as Good News volunteers, providing a very meaningful link between these two organizations. We're proud of what has been accomplished in this unique joint venture. Thanks to all concerned!