



The Wausau Evening News

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MEETING SCHEDULE

We meet the Second and Fourth Thursday of each month except November & December when we meet the First and Third Thursdays because of holidays.

February 9 – Kiwanis Governor Fred Dietz and First Lady Nancy’s Visit Inter-Club with other K-Family clubs in the Wausau area



5:15–6:45 Dinner Meeting – Soup, Salads and Subs \$15

Location: Hoffman House – Best Western Midway Hotel

Dress is informal. Please wear your Kiwanis shirts.

Setup and Invocation by Dan Holt

Reservations/cancellations required. No-shows will be billed.

Contact Christine Walber at 715-551-0762 or walber@charter.net

Deadline for reservations/cancellations is Thursday February 2.

Bring one or more jars of baby food for The Neighbor’s Place Food Pantry.

February 23 – Wausau Kayak & Canoe Corporation’s Junior World Championships



Guest Speaker: Lynne Goheen, VP

Program Chair: Delores Clancey

Setup and Invocation by Lynne Holt

Location: Hoffman House – Best Western Midway Hotel, 5:15 PM

Board of Directors Meeting after the regular meeting.

March 8 – Club Excellence Survey Results, and our New Membership Goals.

Help us design
tomorrow’s services
by completing this

Club Survey

Program Chairs: Jean Schult, Bob Voelker and Dan Holt

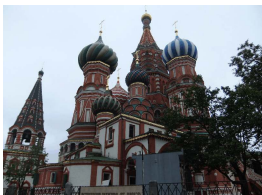
Setup and Invocation by Gene Laurent

Location: Hoffman House – Best Western Midway Hotel, 5:15 PM

Board of Directors Meeting after the regular meeting.

Bring item(s) for The Neighbor’s Place Food Pantry. Especially non-perishable food specifically for young children ages 6 months to 5 years old.

March 22 – Russia Revealed




Guest Speaker: Gary Alexander

Setup and Invocation by Marvin Machel

Location: Hoffman House – Best Western Midway Hotel, 5:15 PM

February 2012

Happy Birthday	Happy Anniversary
2-5 Henry Osswald 2-8 Jeff Mulhern 2-14 John Webb	 2-10 Pat & Bonnie Jean Morath

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Date	Invocation	Program Chair
April 12	Pat Morath	John Webb
April 26	Jeff Mulhern	Jeff Crowell
May 10	Tom Ricklets	Bob Gifford
May 24	Jean schult	Lynne Holt
June 14	PICNIC	Gene Laurent
June 28	Angie Burger	Claudette Haring
July 12	Bob Fredericksen	Dan Holt
July 28	Henry Osswald	Pat Morath

Reminders for Program Chairs:

Please give program information for the newsletter to the Bulletin Editor by the 15th of the previous month.

- Inform your speaker that our meetings end at 6:45 so they should limit their program to about 20-30 minutes including Q&A.
- Inform the House Chair (Christine Walber) at least two week in advance if your speaker needs any special equipment for the program.

Mark Your Calendar

Feb. 10-12 – Mid-Winter Conference, Stevens Point
 April 14 – Children’s Festival
 June 27-July 1– International Convention, New Orleans

Bits & Pieces

- ✓ Reminder to bring food for The Neighbors Place that is specific for young children from Birth to Age Five. We are participating in the First Lady’s Young Children Priority One Food Pantry Contest.
- ✓ THANKS to everyone that brought a child’s coat to our Christmas Party. We helped 27 children keep warm this winter.
- ✓ Children’s Festival, April 14 -- Who would like to Chair this event--39th year!
- ✓ Thanks to everyone that helped The Salvation Army by staffing the Bell Ringing and the Angel Tree Booth at the Wausau Center Mall. Special THANKS to Chair Dan Holt for coordinating.
- ✓ Please report your volunteer service hours to Secretary Delores Clancey either by indicating on your meeting attendance slip or emailing her monthly.
- ✓ Newman Catholic High School Key Club meetings are scheduled for 11:40 AM -- 12:20 PM in Room 100.
 Feb. 7 Feb. 21 March 6 March 20 April 3
- ✓ Kiwanis Shirts and Vests can be ordered any time. Contact Jeff Crowell for samples, sizes, and costs.

- ✓ Congratulations to our February Student of the Month – Michelle Felch, a senior at Wausau West.
- ✓ Bring your used HP, Dell or Lexmark ink or toner cartridges to our Kiwanis meetings for recycling. When making purchases at Office Max, please use our Kiwanis Club MaxPerks number: 799 171 031. Questions--see Chris.
- ✓ An Electronic colored copy of this newsletter is available via our website.

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- ✓ New phone number:
 Jeremy Tabin: 715-370-7825
- ✓ New E-mail address:
 Fred & Rita Straub: frstraub@gmail.com
- ✓ Thanks to Chair Wayne Schmidt and all the "Shoppers" that helped buy and deliver the Food Baskets for the Needy on December 22.



Shopping for the Christmas Food Baskets for Needy



Chair Wayne Schmidt, resting with Shopping Experts Marvin and LaVern Machel

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 WHY do pharmacies make the sick people walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions -- while "healthy" people can buy their cigarettes at the front?

## HISTORY of the

*Editor's Note: The following appeared in a 1962 booklet of the histories of Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Kiwanis clubs. It has been updated slightly for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2012.*



Charter Night for the Greater Wausau Club was held on November 12, 1962. The club was sponsored by the Wausau Kiwanis Club. There were 28 charter members. Governor Ralph Balliet presented the charter to the first club President E. H. "Al" Berkman. Al went on to become Lieutenant Governor in 1967, and served about twenty years (until 1988) as the Kiwanis District Chairman for Trees for Tomorrow.

The club has provided nine lieutenant governors for the District Board. Jim Akey and John Garske served in the earlier years; Bob Fredericksen in 1980-81; William Frederick 1988-89; David Riege 1990-91; John Webb 1992-93 and again in 1998-99; Dean Zoss 1996-97; Henry Oswald 1999-2000 and Jeff Crowell 2006-2007.

Gregory Zurn, President of the Club in 1985-86, served as District Secretary-Treasurer from 1978-84, and as District Bulletin Editor for 22 years from 1965-87 during which time the KIWANES won twelve International awards in the annual District Bulletin Contest.

The Greater Wausau Club sponsored the Greater Merrill Club in 1965, and worked with the Wausau Club in co-sponsoring the Wausau Golden K Club in 1978. They also sponsored the Mosinee Kiwanis Club and assisted in organizing the Lakeland club. The club began sponsorship of the Key Club at Newman High School in 1992 and the Horace Mann Builders Club in 1999.

Shortly after the club received its charter, they purchased a popcorn wagon and began selling popcorn at football games, Friday nights at Hook Hardware, the local Arts Festival, and many other community events. Selling popcorn has been one of the club's major fund-raisers through the years. The second club wagon was replaced in 2001.

In 1967, the club initiated the "Travel and Adventurer Series" of travelogues as a fund-raiser as well as a community service. In 1990-91 the attendance was about 5,000 people. In 1980, the "Ice-Out Contest" fund-raiser was started. Tickets were sold on which the buyer guessed the date/time when the barrel placed on the ice of the Wisconsin River would sink as the ice

thawed in spring. This project created a lot of local interest and speculation.

In 1996, the Club purchased the Elephant Ear wagon used annually at the Wisconsin Valley Fair. This gave an opportunity for members, family, friends, and Key Club members to work together to produce sufficient funds for community projects as well as periodic Major Projects. These Major Projects included The Wetlands Project at Hewitt-Texas Elementary School, playground equipment for a new Tot-Lot on Sherman Street, outdoor toy storage building for The Women's Community center, production costs of "Partners in Reading Success" video, and Pediatric Life Support bags and supplies for all Marathon County ambulance departments. The Elephant Ear concession was sold to the Noon Optimists in 2011.

A service project begun in the very early years and still ongoing is the "Student of the Month." A senior student with a high scholastic record is selected each month from one of the area high schools by their Guidance Department. The student and parents are guests at a club dinner meeting. Each spring the club co-hosts with the "Noon Club" a track and field day called Kiwanis Little Olympics. Bill Smiley, Club President in 1986-87, was honored by the city of Wausau for his leadership in promoting this event in the community.

For many years the club packed and delivered Easter Baskets for nursing home residents. During the Holidays, members pack and deliver food boxes to the needy and help the Salvation Army as bell-ringers and staff the Angel Tree. The club was the leader in the sponsorship of the Parenting Newsletters in Marathon County. The club participates in the Roadside Cleanup program with a 2 mile stretch of Highway 52.

The Greater Wausau Club has developed quality-level ongoing projects in the community during their 50 years of service. The leadership which has come from within the club to serve the community and the District has been exemplary in every respect. It is clear from the record that the Kiwanis Club of Greater Wausau has made an indelible, positive impact on every element of the Greater Wausau community.

**HAPPY 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY - 2012**

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## **Kiwanis Club of Greater Wausau**

### **2011-2012 Kiwanis Year Officers**

**President. .... Christine Walber**  
**President-Elect. .... Dan Holt**  
**Vice President . .... Claudette Harring**  
**Past President. .... Rita Straub**  
**Secretary. .... Delores Clancey**  
**Treasurer. .... Jean Schult**

**Board of Directors:** Gene Laurent, Pat Morath, Fred Straub, Jeremy Tabin, Bob Voelker

### **Newman Catholic High School Key Club**



Advisor: Sarah McRoberts  
Meetings: Scheduled on Tuesdays  
Newman Catholic High School, Room 100  
During lunch period: 11:40 AM - 12:20 PM

## **KIWANIS**

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

## **2011-2012 COMMITTEES**

### **COMMUNITY SERVICES: Chair: Sue Sheils**

**Projects:** Bell Ringing, Shelter/Angel Tree, Christmas Food Baskets, Habitat for Humanity, Highway Clean-up, Mobile Meals

**Members:** Delores Clancey, Jeff Crowell, Claudette Harring, Dan Holt, Marvin Machel, Henry Osswald, Wayne Schmidt, Fred Straub, Rita Straub, Warren Torgerson, Christine Walber

### **YOUTH SERVICES: Chair: Bob Voelker**

**Projects:** Student of the Month, Children's Festival, Little Olympics, Young Children Priority One

**Members:** Delores Clancey, Claudette Harring, Gene Laurent, Henry Osswald, Sue Sheils, Bill Smiley, Fred Straub, Rita Straub, Jeremy Tabin, Christine Walber

### **SPONSORED YOUTH: Chair: Claudette Harring**

**Projects:** Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids

**Members:** Delores Clancey, Sara Sedo, Sue Sheils, Jeremy Tabin, Bob Voelker, Christine Walber

### **INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: Chair: Fred Straub**

**Projects:** Good News Group, ChildFund International

**Members:** Gary Alexander, Jeff Mulhern, Bill Smiley, Rita Straub

### **SPIRITUAL AIMS: Chair: Wayne Schmidt**

**Projects:** Special Occasion Cards, Invocations, good will

**Members:** Gary Alexander

### **FUND RAISING: Chair: Jeremy Tabin**

**Projects:** Popcorn Wagon, New Fund Raising Projects

**Members:** Delores Clancey, Lynne Holt, Gene Laurent, Henry Osswald, Jean Schult, Rita Straub, Christine Walber

### **CLUB SERVICES: Chair: Dan Holt**

**Projects:** Fellowship, International & District Foundations, Club Foundations, House, Inter-club, Membership, Newsletter, Nomination, Programs, Public Relations, Website

**Members:** Gary Alexander, Angela Burger, Delores Clancey, Jeff Crowell, Bob Frederickson, Claudette Harring, Lynne Holt, Gene Laurent, Pat Morath, Jeff Mulhern, Henry Osswald, Wayne Schmidt, Fred Straub, Jeremy Tabin, Christine Walber, John Webb