

## Blueridger Weekly Newsletter

### Kiwanis Club of Waynesville

*Distinguished Club 2010-11*

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

**September 10, 2013: President Mike Simonson** opened the meeting.

**Invocation: Wilson Strickhausen** gave the invocation.

**Program: Cece Higgs, Executive Director of the Haywood Chamber of Commerce** was our guest speaker today. They currently have 500 members and in 2012, served 158,500 people by telephone, e-mail and at their welcome centers in Waynesville (6,650), Lake Junaluska (102,000) and Maggie Valley. The welcome centers on Walnut Street in Waynesville and Maggie Valley are walk-in centers and the Bethea Welcome Center at Lake Junaluska is self-serve. The most asked questions are “When are the leaves going to change?” and the 2<sup>nd</sup> most asked question is “When is Maggie’s Galley going to open”. Their annual events include the Melange of the Mountains which features 12-15 local restaurants. This event really helps our community to know what great restaurants are available year round. The Blueridge Breakaway is a bike riding event which brought in 469 riders in 2013 and had a total economic impact of \$150,000 to Haywood County. The Apple Harvest Festival in October brings in 40,000 – 45,000 attendees each year and has an economic impact of \$6.3 million. They will have 154 vendors this year and will feature arts, crafts, food, regional music and entertainment. The Chamber has 22 board members, 31 ambassadors and 3 staff members. Their annual budget is \$226,000 and community events bring in \$6.45 million to Haywood County. They hosted an “Elected Officials Reception” this past year which gave our officials an opportunity to speak to our local business owners. They had 36 ribbon cuttings this past year for new businesses and held quarterly luncheons for women in business. Their “Young Professionals Club” is geared towards men and women under 40 years of age who want to network with other young professionals in their community. They also hold an “Issues and Eggs” monthly breakfast meeting. They have several leadership programs that are ongoing as well as a “Business Start-Up Competition” which awards \$10,000 to potential businesses.

**Music: Maestro Jackey Webb**, led us in singing “God Bless America”.

**Today’s Attendance:** We had 29 members present and no guests.

**Next Meeting: September 17, 2013-**This will be our annual 62nd Installation Banquet at the Lambuth Inn. The social hour begins at 5:30 and dinner will begin at 6:00. There will be a Roundtable at Laurel Ridge at 11:30 for those who cannot attend.

**Sunshine Report: Bob Webb** sang Happy Birthday to **Wayne Oak** who will be celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on September 11. Way to go **Wayne**....we all love you so much!!!! **John Franco** also had a festive birthday cake for both **Wayne** and **Dick Martin** (92 years old last week). **Tom Tout** said that Linda is back in charge and is feeling so much better. **Bob Webb’s** wife is also on the mend and went to see her family in Denver. **Bob** led us in a rendition of “Four Leaf Clover” which was a challenge since we didn’t have the words but with his direction, we sounded almost “good”.

**Aktion Club: Carol Hall** reported on the Aktion Club meeting Monday night when they elected their 2013-2014 officers. This is always such a great meeting because they all work extremely hard on their campaign speeches. When they get tongue tied or lose their way, the other members come to their rescue. Their camaraderie is infectious. Thanks so much to the eight Kiwanis members who attended. They just finished putting together their 50 page scrapbook which will be entered in the “Scrapbook” competition at their Carolina District Convention this weekend. **Marti Peithman** will be joining Denise Coleman from Arc along with four Aktion Club members and 3 staff members for this three day conference at Camp Walter Johnson in Denton, NC.

**Flag Day:** Our next flag day will be Patriots Day, Wednesday, September 11.

**Dues Notice:** Dues for the Third Quarter (Jul-Sept) of \$43.50 are still due.

**Installation Dinner- Installation Banquet: Judith Antross** passed out a sign-up sheet for the Installation Banquet. It will be on September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Lambuth Inn at Lake Junaluska. Social time begins at 5:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:00 pm. The cost will be \$30.00 per person.

**Kiwanian of the Year-Marti Peithman** passed out the Kiwanian of the Year Ballots. We had 16 members who qualified this year-Dick Antross, Judith Antross, Sam Crain, George Dixon, John Franco, Bernie Friedkin, Ann Kline, Howard Kline, Bob Miles, Wayne Oak, Marti Peithman, Mike Simonson, Susan Tedcastle, Vi Terrell, Tom Tout and Dave Wilkins.

**BBQ- Tom Tout** announced that we have \$2,625 in sponsorships and \$720 in services. We will have four complimentary ads in the Mountaineer along with two paid ads. “The Coffee Cup” will feature ads all month. When Tom announced that we will be baking 4,000 cookies the day before our event, all the members almost passed out. Not to fear though, our leader, Tom Tout, has it almost worked out. We will be using premade cookie dough and bake them in fast baking convection ovens at Shady Grove and United Methodist churches. He passed out sign-up sheets for servers—11-2 and 5-7. With so many of our members delivering lunches in the morning, Tom will

need as many volunteers as possible to serve the lunches between 11-2. We always look forward to your spouses and significant others helping at our BBQ Event and are so hoping that they can help serve. It will be lots of fun!!! We are expecting to serve/deliver 2,000 meals. Tom asked each member to bring **six (6) 12-can cases of Coke or Pepsi products**. **Bob Mitchell** said he will not be able to be the “Delivery Co-ordinator” this year because of family commitments and asked for a volunteer. **Margie Brockmiller** has come to our rescue and has agreed to take his place. Thanks so very, very much Margie!!! **Ann Kline** will be the “Kitchen Co-ordinator” and **Judith Antross** will be the “Floor Co-ordinator”.

**Calling all Golfers-Jim Hoyt** announced that the “Kiwanis Cup Golf Tournament” will be held on Monday, September 16 at Lake Junaluska Golf Course. The cost will be a \$25 tournament fee and \$27 for non-members and \$17 for members. He passed out a sign-up sheet to all the members and will also be sending out an e-mail. Tournament players will meet at 8:30 to sign in and tee times will begin at 9:00.

#### **Dates to Remember:**

- Kiwanis Cup Golf Tournament – Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at Lake Junaluska Golf Club
- Installation Banquet – Tuesday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at Lambuth Inn
- 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Kiwanis BBQ – Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at the FUMC

**September Birthdays (9/18), Bob Mitchell (9/23), Jim Wagoner (9/26), Gerald Jacobsen (9/26) and Mike Simonson (9/29).**

**September Club Anniversaries (Waynesville Club/total in Kiwanis): Bob Webb 9/2 (3 yrs), Phil Abston 9/5 (6 yrs), Tom Tout 9/5 (6 yrs), Charlie Carroll 9/5 (6 yrs), Ann Kline 9/28 (9 yrs) and Sam Crain 9/30 (8 yrs)**

#### **Upcoming Weekend Community Events:**

Don't forget the Farmer's Markets on Saturday from 8:00-12:00-Hart Theater Parking Lot and the American Legion Parking Lot.

#### ***Officers for 2012-2013***

Mike Simonson, President  
Sam Crain, Vice President  
Marti Peithman, Secretary

John Franco, President-Elect  
Dick Antross, Treasurer  
Tom Tout, Immediate Past President

#### **Where we meet:**

We meet each Tuesday, 11:30 AM at the Laurel Ridge Country Club. The buffet lunch is \$13.00. Everyone is welcome, including inter-club visits. The Board meets on the second Thursday of the month at noon at The Gateway Club, 37 Church St, Waynesville, NC.

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***All Smiles-Guest Speakers and Kiwanis Members- Marti Peithman, John Franco, Judith Antross, Jim Wagoner and Howard Kline***



**President-Elect John Franco and CeCe Higgs-Haywood Chamber of Commerce Executive Director**



**Aktion Club members at the United Way Day of Caring put pine straw around the KARE Memorial Trees**



**Kiwanis members, Ann Kline, Marti Peithman and Howard Kline enjoy the picnic festivities at the United Way Day of Caring**