

KIWANIGRAM

The monthly newsletter of the



November 2011

A letter from the president-Greg Stinson

After our long, hot summer we are now enjoying the October we so richly deserve. October is my favorite month of the year as far as humidity and temperature. College football is in full swing and the World Series is wrapping up. I suspect few will notice that NBA basketball will have an abbreviated season.

Our 14th annual Chili Cook-off will be Saturday, November 5, 2011. This is my favorite Kiwanis fundraiser, partly because the weather is so nice. I had one of those gut-wrenching decisions to make this year regarding the Chili Cook-Off. As luck would have it, that very same weekend the son of some of our best friends is getting married in Sarasota, Florida. Their feelings would be terribly hurt if we couldn't make the wedding. But, as president of the club I feel an obligation to attend all of our fundraisers. After giving it a great deal of thought, I decided that one of the great things about our club is that it is a team effort and someone can substitute for me and "the show will go on". Dan Umbel our President-Elect will fill in for me. I will attend the wedding but I will be at the Chili Cook-Off in spirit,

We had a great membership cocktail party on Sunday, October 23rd. Bill and Alice Wright were gracious hosts and on behalf of the entire club I want to thank them for welcoming us into their home. We had six potential new members and a good time was had by all. Thanks to each of you that brought a potential new Kiwanian.

I have the results of the member survey that over 80 of you submitted. I am just now starting to tabulate the results and will have more specific information in the near future. Thanks to everyone that took the time to respond to the survey, we will use the results to improve an already great club.

I did want to respond to a comment that arose in a few of the remarks requests on the survey. When there is an International Convention, the Kiwanis Board determines who and how many should go. Most years the International Convention is in the United States. Since this last convention was in Geneva Switzerland, our Board determined that both the president and president-elect should not go overseas due to the additional cost. It was determined that the president-elect would benefit the most since his year as president of the club was ahead of him. In this case that was me. Kiwanis did not pay for my wife to go; her expenses were our paid out of our personal money.

This is in keeping with the motto "It's all about the kids".

Greg



Kiwanis Club at Georgia Southern Football October 2011



Skidaway Kiwanis members enjoying the game!

14th Annual Chili-Cook-off
Saturday, Nov. 5, 2011
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

TLA Athletic Field

Featuring more than 20 local restaurants' favorite chilis. You taste 'em, you judge 'em. Raffle prizes! Games, magician, petting zoo, pony rides, and more for kids! Beer, sodas, hot dogs and Italian ices. Tickets \$10 ahead, \$12 day of event Kids under 8 -- FREE! Tickets available from any Kiwanis member, at Smith Brothers, or online at www.kiwanisofskidaway.com. Call Marianne Schutz (4622) or Frank Zugel (4653) for more information.



November 2011 Schedule of Speakers

November 3	Page Siplon, Executive Director, Center of Innovation for Logistics	"The Changing EcoSystem: Panama Canal v. 2.0 and Other Factors"
November 10	Paul Fisher, President of the newly formed Savannah Early Childhood Foundation	Update on the Savannah Early Childhood Foundation"
November 17	Mike Conner, Managing Partner, The Conner Law Group	"Burning Down the Firm"
November 24	Happy Thanksgiving!	

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The Village Bar & Grille

The Village Bar & Grille would like to thank all of the Kiwanis of Skidaway members for their unwavering support as we begin a new chapter in our story. For the last 7 years, Kasey's Grille has been strongly involved with Kiwanis of Skidaway, not to mention our owner, Dr. Kasey Berman who is a pediatrician here in Savannah. His dedication to the health and well being of children parallels the efforts of your club. We are proud to add the Village Bar & Grille to our family of restaurants and look forward to serving you and all of your friends and family here on Skidaway Island. We hope to offer you the same quality of food and service that has been synonymous with Kasey's Grille, but in a more family friendly casual atmosphere. As you may know, we have many events going on and would love to see you attend some of them. For example, all of your sports can be viewed on any of our 8 big screen TVs. We have live music on Friday November 11th and Friday November 18th at 8PM./ We will soon have wine dinners as well as Sunday brunch beginning in February. Of course New Year's Eve we welcome you to our party. At the Village Bar & Grille we look forward to continuing the wonderful relationship with Kiwanis of Skidaway. Thank you.

Daniel Berman/The Village Bar & Grille

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Reynolds Square

The John Wesley Monument in the center of Reynolds Square was erected in 1969 by the John Wesley Monument Committee. and consists of a stepped and blocked rectangular granite pedestal, inscribed on all sides, supporting a bronze statue of John Wesley.

John Wesley is the founder of Methodism. Wesley came to Savannah in 1736 as an Anglican clergyman to the Colony of Georgia. Returning to England in 1738, his stay in Savannah was short. inspired by his associations with Moravians in Georgia and later in England, he revised his ideas and eventually formed the United Societies, a Protestant sect which evolved into the Methodist Church. In Savannah, Wesley resided near Reynolds Square. The Wesley Monumental Church, located on the periphery of Reynolds Square, is named in his honor.