

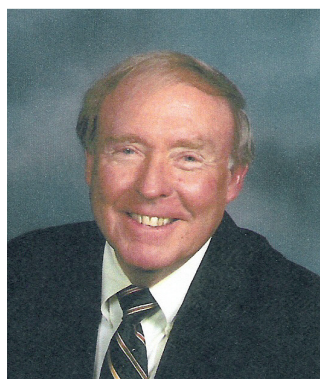
KIWANIGRAM

The monthly newsletter of the

KIWANIS CLUB *of* SKIDAWAY



OCTOBER 2008



Gary Bocard President

The Kiwanis fiscal year has ended and we should all take off our hats To the fantastic accomplishments of the Erv Hietbrink year.

He guided us to an increase in membership and was in at the helm as we crossed over \$1,000,000 in donations and 275,000 hours of Members volunteer time with our local charities that support needy Children.

I want to thank Erv for his hard work and dedication to our club. He is truly special and a very tough act to follow.

Our members have changed, Presidents have changed but our Purpose has not altered.

With the assistance of our new board of Directors and a talented group of officers, we promise to keep our Success moving forward.

Bill Wright, Pres. Elect-----

Gene McDonald, VP of Services

Tim Frame, VP of fund raising---

Jay Ahrens, Treasurer

Melissa Emery, VP of Marketing---

Dick Shoemaker, Secretary

Gary Brewer, Director---

Dave Fox, Director---

Mark Forssell, Director

Tom Sharp, Director---

Frank Zugel, Director

Each of us will commit to carry on the legacy of the Kiwanis Club of Skidaway as being "THE" club to be a member.

We will have the best meetings, best speakers and provide an

Environment of good fellowship that makes you so happy that

You will share your enthusiasm to encourage others to join in our fun

Breakfast Price Increase

A few months ago the Landings Club informed us of their intention to increase the price for our Thursday Morning breakfast buffet. Gary Bocard & I met with catering management several times to explore alternatives. We learned that our price had been the same for about three years despite rising food costs to the club.

After exploring several options, including possibly moving our meeting to a different site or looking at different food offerings from the club, we concluded that we would continue with the current buffet (excluding orange juice to reduce costs). The net result will result in our charge of \$9.16 increasing to \$10.73 effective October 2nd.

No one likes price increases but this one appears to be justified. The option chosen will allow us to receive the same service that we now enjoy and enable us to continue our meetings in the pleasant and familiar Plantation Club setting.

Erv Hetbrink
Past President



Group Photo of Award Recipients 20th Gala Anniversary
Erv Hietbrink Presiding

Recipients of Kiwanis Club of Skidaway 2008 Donations

America's second Harvest Kids's Café*Bethesda Home for Boys*Big Brother Big Sister*Coastal Child Advocacy Center*Greenbriar Children's Center*Horsin' Around*Interfaith Hospitality Network* Junior Achievement*L.O.V.E*Might Eighth Air Force Museum*Music Medicine Institute*Notre Dame Academy*Park Place Outreach*Pediatric Oncology Supporting Survivors Endeavor*R.O.C.K. Group*Social Apostolate*Special Olympics*St. Paul's Academy*Youth Challenge Academy.

20th Gala Anniversary



Mr. & Mrs. Erv Heitbrink



Tom & Pam Rood- most attractive couple at Gala



Golf & Tennis Challenge

Dear Fellow Kiwanians:

As announced at today's breakfast meeting, we "Kiwanians" have been challenged by the Island's Rotary Club to a combination Tennis/Golf match for the honor of winning the the first Skidaway Island Ryder/Davis Cup. The Tennis match will be played on Monday, October 27th and the Golf match will be played Wednesday, October 29th at the Marshwood Club (tee times starting at 11:00am.) Now we need players for both teams.

The deal for Golf is shaping up to look like two man teams playing in 4-somes competing in three 6-hole matches...one match being better-ball, one being modified alternate shot and the last match being individuals playing one-on-one. Each 4-some would be playing for 4 points (one each for better-ball and alternate shot and one for each of the singles matches.) Most matches will be played from the Club Tees. At this point we have 12 Kiwanians signed up to play on the 29th... Rotary currently has 20 golfers ready to play...



Tennis matches (if we have them, since we only had two people sign up today) would be played for one point per set won. The Ryder/Davis Cup would be awarded to the team with the most points won in both the tennis and golf matches.

We also may be asking for a nominal "entrance fee" from each contestant that would become "the stakes" we'll be playing for a winner-take-all to donate to the winning Club's Charities. We also may have an informal get-together after the golf matches for drinks and hors d'oeuvres. And, lastly the "Ryder/Davis Cup" would be presented to the winning Club by the losing president at a winning Club's membership meeting.



So, we'd like to get some additional players for both events. Please call me (598-9753) or e-mail me (t.e.rood@att.net) or call Gary Hughes (598-0751) or e-mail him (gmhughes01@bellsouth.net) if you're interested.

Let's get out and support these matches and bring home the inaugural "Ryder/Davis Cup" to our Club.

Thanks in advance for your participation.

Co-Captains,
Tom Rood
Gary Hughes

October Kiwanis Speakers

October 23- Father Frank Ziemkiewicz. O.S.B. Headmaster Benedictine Military School

Oct. 30th Speaker TBD

September Board Briefs-New Member

Members have been informed about a price increase in the Thursday breakfast and a change in the menu. The Landings Club said costs are up, and the price has not been changed in three years. The prices were debated at length, on three separate occasions by Mr. Hietbrink and Mr. Bocard and Club management. While no one was happy with the prices, the Board voted to accept the changes.

Board member Dave Fox has agreed to act as liaison with the members and board members with the Sponsors, who provide about one half of the funds the Club contributes. The Kiwanigram will, in the future, save a banner space to list the Sponsors so that all can be familiar with them.

Membership renewal is underway, under the leadership of Past President Keith Glenn, assisted by Frank Zugel, all Board members and other interested members. Mr. Hietbrink said the Club should end the year with 153 members, a gain of one, and may reach Distinguished Club Status for the year 2007-2008.

One new member was approved this month, and he is Richard M. Glover. Dick and his wife, Gayl, moved here from Cincinnati and reside at 35 Franklin Creek Road South. Dick received a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Phoenix and worked in manufacturing as his primary employment. He is interested in boating and woodworking. He is involved in the Ogeechee Audubon Society, the Ogeechee Sailing Club, The Coastal Bicycle Touring Club, and the Coastal Heritage Society.-

CPR Volunteers Required

Saving Lives in Chatham County (SLICC) is a Landings-based non-profit organization dedicated to saving lives through teaching CPR to as many area residents as possible. SLICC will be holding its second-annual mass training event on November 1st at the Savannah Civic Center. It is anticipated that as many as 4,000 people will receive CPR training on that date.

This event will require the support of nearly 100 training personnel, 40 administrative personnel, 2 technical personnel, 8 inventory control personnel, and another dozen miscellaneous duty personnel, all on the day of the event.

I would appreciate your informing your fellow Kiwanians of SLICC's need for volunteers, and asking that they sign up either via SLICC's website: www.slicc.org, or by contacting me. My contact info is: phone: 598-4514-e-mail: ToniM@slicc.org.

Both Rotarians and Kiwanians are being asked to participate, as well as Boy Scout troops and any other service organizations. Spouses are also welcome to volunteer. Frankly, we'll need all the help we can get. Thanks for offering to spread the word. Toni Marwitz

Next stop -- the Chili Cook-Off!



KIWANIS
CLUB of **SKIDAWAY**

**Sat.
Nov. 1**

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

TLA Athletic Field, Landings Way South

Tickets: \$8.00 in advance

\$10 at the Gate

Children under 8 - free

Refreshments

(at popular prices)

Hot Dogs

Soft Drinks

Beer

Entertainment

Savannah Stompers

Moonwalk

Cookie Decorating Contest

Bean Bag Toss Contest

Arts and Crafts

On Display:

New Cars

Power Boats

Golf Carts

Raffles

Great Prizes!

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11th Annual Chili Cook-Off



Participating Restaurants

B&D BURGERS	OAKRIDGE CLUB
BAJA CANTINA	PIGGY WIGGLY
DAWG HOUSE	PLANTATION CLUB
DRIFTAWAY CAFÉ	SANDFLY BARBECUE
FIRST CITY CLUB	SAVANNAH GOLF CLUB
JALAPEÑO'S MEXICAN	SMITH BROTHERS
JOHNNY HARRIS	SOPHISTICATED PALATE
KROGER	STARFISH CAFÉ
MARSHWOOD CLUB	SWEET POTATOES/TOUCAN
MOON RIVER BREWING	TEXAS ROADHOUSE

Raffle Prizes

Wii

by Nintendo,
with Sports Package

A Night at The Mansion with Breakfast for 2 (up to \$50)

Restaurant Certificates

Baja Cantina
Bonefish Grill
Driftaway
EOS Restaurant
Ozzy's Grill
Texas Roadhouse
Toucan

Golf/Tennis Lessons

6 golf lesson certificates
4 tennis lesson certificates

Services:

Village Barber
Studio Beau Monde

Gift Pack from Savannah Sommelier
and others!

Kiwanis Club of Skidaway Foundation

Club members will soon be receiving notice of the Club's annual drive for contributions to the Kiwanis Club of Skidaway Foundation. Most of you are familiar with the nature and purpose of the Foundation but as we start this effort it is important to review the Fund's history and it's potential role in the future success of the Club's community service mission.

The Foundation was formed in 1995 under the leadership of our then President, Chuck Owen. Many hours of effort and professional expertise went into the formation of the Foundation. Several options were considered, including the possibility of establishing a tax exempt 501c3 foundation under the management of the Club.

In the end we turned to the Savannah Community Foundation to obtain tax exempt status for our Foundation funds, and access professional fund management and administrative services. The foundation agreement was signed in April of 1995. The agreement provides that funds deposited by the Club become the property of the Savannah Community Foundation but remain under our control in that we designate the charities and amounts to be distributed from Kiwanis funds.

Today the Savannah Community Foundation oversees the management of more than \$18,000,000 in various funds including approximately \$10,000,000 in Donor Advised funds. The Donor Advised Funds have historically returned approximately 8% before management fees. Over the twelve years ended September 30, 2007 the annualized rate of return on our balances after management fees was 7.49%. Fund assets are allocated approximately 40% to cash and fixed income securities, and 60% equities. The Funds are audited annually by certified public accountants, and the Foundation is subject to the oversight of the Foundation Board consisting of prominent local citizens.

The Foundation architects decided to divide the Foundation into two separate accounts; the Kiwanis Foundation Long Term Fund and the Kiwanis Foundation Current Fund. The original concept was that selected donor contributions would be deposited to the long term fund and held to compound over time.

The current fund was initially conceived as an operating account to receive the proceeds of fund raising events and from which to pay expenses.

In the first several years of the Foundation's existence the Community Foundation performed many of the Treasury functions, receiving fund raising proceeds and paying service expenses on behalf of the Club. Except for the fact that we have since assumed these functions in the Club, the original intent has not changed.

Donations intended for current distribution to Charities and for which the donor wants tax exempt treatment are deposited to the current account. Excess funds realized from fund raising activities are also deposited to the current fund to maximize returns.

Donations intended to fund the long term growth of the Foundation are deposited to the long term account and are not available by Club policy for distributions. The policy provides that earnings of the long term fund may be transferred to the current account for distribution annually.

Because of tax considerations no distributions may be made from either the long term or current funds except to qualified section 501c3 charities. A formal application to the Community Foundation is required to authorize distributions. All distributions are subject to the approval of the Community Foundation Board.

Since its inception Foundation earnings, including capital gains, have totaled over \$100,000, and current fund balances including both the current and long term Foundation accounts total \$158,000. In recent years we have distributed all donations to the current fund; and all earnings, excluding capital gains, to charities.

In using the Foundation we have been able to leverage voluntary contributions and other retained donations tax free to increase over time our financial assistance to the agencies we support. Voluntary contributions from Club members are the primary source from which we grow the Foundation.

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