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Gateway to the Islands



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*"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter,
and those who matter don't mind." – Dr. Seuss*

NEW MEETING LOCATION!

**Sunshine Seafood Café
8750 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers**

Cost: \$11.00 (includes tax and tip)

**As a courtesy to our host, please RSVP promptly
– thank you!**

Meeting Calendar

July 13	Carol Simontacchi - Lifestyle education
July 20	Chris Heidrick - Heidrick & Co.
July 27	Rev. Rebecca G. Hines - Destiny Ministries of Southwest Florida, Inc.
August 3	Board Meeting – ALL members welcome!
August 10	Kevin Cummings - Teen Challenge SW Florida
August 17	Brain storming for the New Kiwanis Year
August 24	Brain storming for the New Kiwanis Year
August 31	Vicki Stephan - Junior Achievement

Mark your calendars - District Convention August 26-29, Orlando

The Board voted to use Club funds to pay the registration fee for ANY club member interested in going!!

Visit FloridaKiwans.com for more information and to register.

Hotel reservation deadline - July 26th

Convention registration deadline - August 1st

Please submit a copy of your conference registration to Karen Sonnanstine at ksonnans@msn.com for reimbursement.

Kiwanis International Webinars

Date and Time	Webinar Title
Wednesday, July 7, 2010 3 p.m., EDT	Finding the Right People - Building A Team Join us for a fun and interactive session where we will cover the key aspects of getting the right people on the bus: assessing skills, the personal ask, commitment and accountability.
Tuesday, July 13, 2010 8 p.m., EDT	ReMember Campaign Before deleting inactive club members, make an honest effort to “ReMember” them. The intent of the campaign is to re-involve the individual in the fellowship and service of the club. KI President, Paul Palazzolo, will review a checklist and guidelines to boost retention in your Kiwanis club.
Wednesday, July 14, 2010 3 p.m., EDT	Developing Your Kiwanis Calendar - The Critical Path to Success Remember, no one plans to fail, they fail to plan. Create a strategic plan of action and capture it in a calendar to follow throughout the year to keep you on track to meet your goals.
Monday, July 19, 2010 3 p.m., EDT	Habits of Successful Clubs A quality club with outstanding projects and valuable member experiences must be planned. Learn ten simple habits of successful clubs.

Visit www.kiwanisone.org/webinars for more information and registration.

GTTI's Biggest Fundraiser Continues!

Delicious Dining Discount books are now available for purchase. This year's edition contains "buy one get one" offers from 47 Lee County restaurants. At only \$20 per book, it's a great value. As of July 6th, we have raised \$4,617! For more information, contact Viki Luster at: vluster@nvtlsi.com. To find out where to purchase books, visit our club website: www.kiwanisgtti.com.

Service Opportunities

Hats and Hugs – We continue to collect **NEW stuffed animals** for Children's Advocacy Center and **hats** for The Children's Hospital.

Tales for Tots – We are still collecting books for children ages 0-2 for Brightest Horizons.

The Heights Foundation – The Heights Foundation has invited GTTI members to attend its **Mom and Tots Play Group** on Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30 am at the United Way. If interested, please contact Diane Connell at: dconnell@cac-swfl.org.

July 6 Board Meeting Highlights

- **IMPORTANT NEWS REGARDING MEETING LOCATION** – Beginning September 7, meetings will be held at Faith United Methodist Church, 15690 McGregor Blvd. The meetings will be brown-bag.
- **August 3 Board Meeting** – We will review our club financial statements for the current year and next year's budget.
- **Only 5 Interclubs to go!** Contact Gary Hudson at gkhudson@earthlink.net if you would like to attend a meeting.
- **Builder's Club** – Board members are researching service projects for next year, including those they can do on the weekends. If you have an idea, please share it with Viki Luster at vluster@nvtlsi.com.

- Although Kiwanis International has changed the way they prorate membership dues, the GTTI Board voted to keep our dues structure the same.
- 2010 District Convention – The following members will be attending: Danielle Emery, Richard Farmer, Viki and Terry Luster, Matt Ponzio, Kelly Sonnanstine, Dave Stauffer.
- 2011 International Convention – Stay tuned for more information!



All the way from Vegas! The newest “Hugs” given to Children’s Advocacy Center
courtesy of Viki and Terry Luster

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and one community at a time.*