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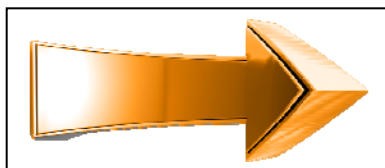
“If human beings are perceived as potentials rather than problems, as possessing strengths instead of weaknesses, as unlimited rather than dull and unresponsive, then they thrive and grow to their capabilities.” – Robert Conklin

STARTING SEPTEMBER 7 - NEW MEETING LOCATION!

**Faith United Methodist Church
15690 McGregor Blvd., Room 106
From McGregor Blvd, turn in right and go until you
have to turn left. Look for "Kiwaniis" sign.**

Meeting Calendar

September 7	Board Meeting – ALL are welcome!
September 10	Committee reports due
September 14	Danielle, Kelly & Terry – New year objectives and Committee report - online training
September 21	NO meeting – Interclub with Metro-McGregor at the University Grill 11:30 am
September 23	Installation banquet 6pm
September 28	Danielle, Kelly & Terry – New year objectives and Committee report - online training



**Annual Banquet
Thursday, September 23, 2010
6 PM
Sunshine Seafood Café**

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. For more information, contact Viki Luster at: vluster@nvtlsi.com. To find out where to purchase books, visit our club website: www.kiwanisqtti.com.

Corporate Members - by Terry Luster

With annual invoices out, now may be the time to decide if your membership might better be suited in your business name, rather than your individual name. With a corporate membership, you would represent that business in every aspect the same way that you do now as an individual. Please direct any questions to me concerning this new membership concept from Kiwanis International and/or want to make a change.

Service Opportunities

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

Tales for Tots – Children's books for ages 0-2 for Brightest Horizons.

The Heights Foundation – Mom and Tots Play Group, Wednesdays from 9:30-10:30 am. If interested, please contact Diane Connell at: dconnell@cac-swfl.org.

Candlelighters needs sponsors for its annual golf tournament, **Tee Up "Fore" The Kids**, on 9/25/10. Contact Viki Luster for more info at vluster@nvtlsi.com.

The Junior League needs volunteers for **Taste of the Town** on 11/7/10. Please contact Danielle Emery if you are interested at danielle.m.emery@ampf.com.

The **Fort Myers Beach Chamber** seeks volunteers for the **Sandsculpting Contest** in November. Contact Terry Luster at tluster@nvtlsi.com.

Coming Soon....

FEEDING THE 5000 Thanksgiving Outreach

www.feedingthe5000.net

Contact Kelly Sonnanstine at ksonnans@hotmail.com

August 31 Meeting Highlights

- Club members welcomed guest speaker Vicky Stephan from Junior Achievement, and new member Kat Williams.
- **IMPORTANT NEWS REGARDING MEETING LOCATION** – Beginning September 7, meetings will be held at Faith United Methodist Church, 15690 McGregor Blvd.
- Our continued thoughts and prayers are with Richard Tanner and his family. Richard's mom, Mary, has been diagnosed with lymphoma.
- If anyone has any Dining Book money or checks, please bring them to a meeting, or contact Karen Sonnanstine (ksonnans@msn.com) or Viki Luster (vluster@nvtlsi.com) to arrange a pick-up.
- Those who attended the District Convention had very positive things to report. Dave Stauffer shared pins he purchased to promote Kiwanis International's Project Eliminate.
- Interclubs have been schedule with the Pine Island Club (9/3) and the Metro/McGregor Club (9/21).
- 42 students signed up to learn more about the Builder's Club at Lexington Middle's open house on August 21. The school has also given the club permission to use the Media Center for meetings and display the Kiwanis flag there.
- Terry Luster encouraged members to participate in "The Milk Party" on Wednesday, September 22 at 6:30pm at Seacrest Country Day School. The Milk Party is a statewide campaign developed by the Children's Movement of Florida to educate and energize the public about its goals and the need for involvement. The Children's Movement is a nonpartisan populist movement to educate political, business and civic leaders as well parents to the urgent need to address the state's failure in promoting the health and welfare of children. The basic goals of the Children's Movement are:

health insurance for all children, the screening and treating of children with special needs, improving the universal pre-kindergarten system, the advancing of mentor programs, and the development of parenting skills programs. For more information contact Becky Newell at becky.newell@chidrensmovementflorida.org.

Guest Speaker: Vicky Stephan – Junior Achievement

Junior Achievement uses hands-on experiences to help young people understand the economics of life. In partnership with business and educators, Junior Achievement brings the real world to students, opening their minds to their potential. Through age-appropriate curricula, Junior Achievement programs begin at the elementary school level, teaching children how they can impact the world around them as individuals, workers and consumers. Junior Achievement programs continue through the middle and high school grades, preparing students for future economic and workforce issues they'll face. Approximately 9,800 Lee, Collier and Charlotte County students currently participate in the program. The staff is constantly recruiting and training volunteers to teach the programs in public and private schools, after-school programs and in done-in-a-day projects. Lessons are turn-key with hands-on activities for all students. To learn more about Junior Achievement, visit www.jaswfl.org.

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