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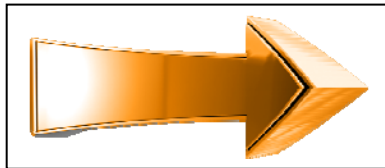
“You must do the thing you think you cannot do.” – Eleanor Roosevelt

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 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
October 5	Board Meeting – All are welcome!
October 5	Committee reports Due
October 12	Harris Segel – Florida Kiwanis Foundation



**Annual Banquet
Thursday, September 23, 2010
6 PM
Sunshine Seafood Café
\$25.00/person
RSVP by 9/20/10 to Gary Hudson**

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 by 10/15 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

September 14, 2010 Meeting Highlights

- Club members welcomed guests from the Greater Pine Island Kiwanis Club.
- Our continued thoughts and prayers are with Richard Tanner and his family. Richard's mom, Mary, has been diagnosed with lymphoma.
- Continued wishes for a speedy recovery to Matt Ponzio's daughter Olivia. Olivia broke her ankle at school and underwent surgery last week. She is at home, but cannot go to school for a while. She should be good as new by Thanksgiving!
- 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.
- Board members in attendance approved the Club's participation in Faith United's Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 31 from 5:30-7:30pm. Contact Kelly Sonnanstine at ksonnans@hotmail.com if you would like to donate money, candy, or bring your car. (Tip from Viki Luster – bring bug spray!)
- The Builders Club is finalizing their list of service projects and fundraisers for the year.
- Terry Luster presented a training on Kiwanis reports. Beginning October 1, committee chairs will be responsible for completing the monthly reports required by Kiwanis International. Reports are filed online at www.FloridaKiwanis.com. Reports should be completed by the 5th of the month and prior to our Board meetings so members have the information they need in order to make decisions. Members can also view reports from other clubs on this same site.

The following members were assigned to submit committee reports:

Diane Connell – PR and Newsletter

**Gary Hudson – Interclub
Terry Luster – Membership
Viki Luster – Builder’s Club
Matt Ponzio – Finance and Fundraising
Connie Schmucker – Human and Spiritual Values
Dave Stauffer – YCPO and Community Service**

In addition, Terry reviewed the results of the Club Excellence Tool Survey and the requirements for Distinguished Club and Distinguished Club Member.

Members are encouraged to review the online reporting process on their own and will receive hands-on training at the September 28th meeting.

Kiwanis Gateway to the Islands 2009-2010 Board of Directors

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