



Kiwaniis

Gateway to the Islands



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"Pursue some path, however narrow and crooked, in which you can walk with love and reverence." - - Henry David Thoreau

Meeting Calendar

Apr. 2	Kiwaniis One Day
Apr. 5	Board meeting – All are welcome Committee Reports Due
Apr. 12	Rebecca from Destiny Diaper Bank
Apr. 19	TBD
Apr. 26	Interclub with Metro-McGregor

Please remember to tip our server every week! 😊



Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's 5K Walk to Cure Diabetes

April 16 - 8:00 AM registration

Bell Tower Shops

Register online at http://www2.jdrf.org/site/PageServer?pagename=walk_homepage

We are in need of someone to put together a team for this walk. If you can help, please contact Danielle.

Ongoing 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.

Pine Manor After-School Program – Mentors needed – Weekdays, 2:30pm-5:30pm. If interested, please contact Diane Connell at: dconnell@cac-swfl.org.

Destiny Diaper Bank – Volunteers needed for a variety of projects. If interested, please contact Becky at: 239-910-8198.

Meeting Highlights

- **Club members welcomed guests to our Special Membership Meeting.**
- **Diane Connell gave an overview of the ways Kiwanis GTTI has helped Children's Advocacy Center; namely, by providing financial assistance for the Center's Prescription Assistance Program and Adopt-A-Family Program, and by donating stuffed animals.**
- **In addition, the Club has adopted The Heights Foundation by funding scholarships the summer camp and donating gifts to the Foundation's Christmas program.**
- **Viki Luster highlighted the work of the Builder's Club at Lexington Middle which now has 30 members.**
- **Kim Berghs from United Way shared some ways Kiwanians can volunteer in the community, including participating in the May 14th postal workers food drive or serving as a United Way Allocations Team member.**
- **Viki Luster described the Club's efforts to assist Brightest Horizons daycare by donating food, clothing, books and school supplies. She also shared her own "Kiwanis Moment".**

- **Dave Stauffer invited guests to participate in our Kiwanis One Day project. On April 2nd, from 9am-12pm, Club members will be sorting clothes for the Clothes Closet at Faith United Methodist Church.**
- **In addition, Dave shared examples of ongoing Club projects including summer camp scholarships, Feeding the 5000 Thanksgiving, and Trunk or Treat.**
- **Upcoming projects include Shots and Shoes, a prayer breakfast for local businesses, and a to-be-determined signature event with The Heights Foundation.**
- **Dining Books: Please turn in all money to Terry for book accountability and make a list of to whom books are sold, so that will be a basis for next year. Let Viki know if you have any groups we can sell to.**
- **Upcoming service opportunity: Kids Against Hunger**
Their goal is to pack 1,000,000 meals on May 14th. The event will take place at 3 locations simultaneously in Naples, Sarasota and Fort Myers (at Harborside Convention Center). For more info contact Terry.

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