

Kiwanis Club of Cheyenne

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December 10, 2020

Please watch your email for invitations to Zoom meetings each week.

If you need assistance at this time, please reach out.

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Upcoming Events

December 10 - Business Meeting, Foundation Report, Legion of Honor, New Zeller Fellows

December 17 - Santa

December 12: Salvation Army Bell Ringing

December 24 - Christmas Eve - No Meeting

December 31 - New Year's Eve - No Meeting

January 14 - Business Meeting

February 4 - Cindy Henning - LCCC Athletic Director

March 11 - Business Meeting

March 18 - Dr. Joe Schaffer - LCCC President

December Birthdays

5 - Dave Niemann

5 - Randy Huff

6 - Dylan John

7 - Jeff Hoy

7 - Holly Shenefeld

9 - Lorrell Walter

11 - Marjorie Brand

14 - Aaron Bentley

16 - Cortney McNees

17 - Beverly Rice

19 - Darwin Pace

19 - Mary Brown

21 - Steve Borin

27 - Paul Bellotti

30 - Connie Sloan-Cathcart

**THANK YOU Jason Duda
for announcing birthdays
each week.**



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Announcements



John Lynch:

We have sent an email to 575 former members inviting them to participate in our Zoom meetings for the duration of COVID. Please join me in making them feel welcome. The following people may join us:

Former members still in the area: Mary Tast, Steve Hodges and Harold Jalonen.

Former members who relocated: Dave Schaad, Mike Dixon, Dwight Hicks and Jim Marshall

Here is information from Board Member, Melissa Dishman about a way to pre-order a reliable test for COVID and have it available at your house for future use in case you ever need it:

It really is a great option for folks who do not want to get out of their house. You request it from this link and it is shipped directly to you very fast. When you are ready to take the test you Zoom with someone who watches you; they watch you close up the test tube; then you get it to a UPS drop and typically if it is there by 5:00, late the next day results are in.

[Testing](#)

Here is information about a fund raiser for a Club in Illinois in which you submit photos of your holiday decorations. If you enter a photo, please let us know so we can vote for you.

We are holding an online contest/fundraiser that is call 2020 Holiday Lights and Creations. You guessed it: holiday decorations. This contest is open to anyone in the United States. We are hoping that we can bring the sights and creations we see at Christmas to one site. It is also a way to cover the loss of income from our normal in-person fundraising events. I am reaching out to clubs that I find on the internet, in the hopes that: 1) We can build fellowship with other Kiwanis clubs in the U.S. 2) We can reach out to different geographic areas to see how different areas do things 3) We can possibly help promote online events you may have coming up. It would be great appreciated if you could go to Facebook, any other social media platform, or your website and let your area know about our [fundraiser contest](#).



Bob Monger - District calendars

Gail has 16 calendars left for your stocking stuffers. Only \$10 each if I don't have to mail them and can send them Cheyenne with the Wheatland dialysis van driver. There are many great Cheyenne club vehicles in the calendar – and, of course, a beautiful dog from Wheatland!



Tim Sheppard - Great Decisions

Gearing up for the next session of Great Decisions. We will meet via Zoom on Tuesday mornings beginning in either late January or early February. If you would like to participate, let Tim know.

We could use a co-chair for this.

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Tom Roberts: Friday Food Bag

THANK YOU Marj Brand, Rod Brand, Rene Brower, Melody Fenton, Deb Hottle [and friend, Linda Myers], Rod Hottle, Dixie Roberts, Tom Roberts, and Tom Segrave [and Ann] for helping unpack Friday Food Bag food on Saturday, December 5th.

THANK YOU Neil Emmons, Nick Panopoulos, Deb Hottle, and Rod Hottle, for their helping filling Friday Food Bags on Tuesday, December 8th.

Lisa Trimble -Foundation Report



- The Kiwanis Foundation will be sending tax letters for donations to the COVID Relief fund in the next week.
- The investment account is over \$800,000
- We will be awarding grants this year and will provide the club with a timeline in the coming months.
- Last year we saw a reduction in revenue of about \$30,000 as a result of not being able to host the annual golf tournament and participate in Thankful Thursday.
- The Foundation Board has a goal of 5 new Bonham Fellows. Bonham Fellows are those that make a direct gift to the Foundation in the amount of \$1000 within our fiscal year. This can be a one-time payment or monthly payments. These funds go directly to the investment account for the Foundation impacting our ability to make annual grants.



Dave McCracken - Birthday Rule of 65

This not the official rule!

Birthday gifts to the Foundation are in the amount of your age.

Birthday dollars are capped at \$65. From age 65-85 you pay \$65

From age 85-95 are freebie years!

Age 95 the Foundation gives you a rebate.

Guests: 0

Thoughts and prayers:

Kiwanian at home with antibiotics with breathing problems

Kiwanian and spouse at home with confirmed Covid.

Stephanie Lopez

Laurie Osborne

Other Kiwanians in need

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Board Report

ZELLER FELLOWS: Zeller Fellows are Kiwanis Members who contributed \$500 in September 2020 to the Kiwanis Eliminate Fund, which aims to eliminate maternal and neo-natal Tetanus. One gave a full \$1000 and several of these contributors are repeat Zeller Fellows. The Club matched each of these contributions up to \$500. The Zeller Fellows from September 2020 are as follows:

Wayne Herr
Earl Dorsett
Tom Muhlbach
Denise Newell
Mary Brown
Lauri Osborne
Bob Curtis

LEGION OF Honor: Legion of Honor Awards are given to Kiwanians with 25 or more years of continuous Kiwanis membership. This year's legion of Honor awards go to:

25 years: Carol Holland, Dan Clark, Vic Lisek

30 years: Rick Thompson, Dixie Roberts

35 years: Bob Monger, Dave McCracken

40 years: Carl Wamboldt

50 years: Fred Reed, Dale Kjack

Board Meeting

Membership: We approved the membership application of Melissa Stutz, who works at LCCC. Ben Larsen and Randy Murphy resigned from the Club. Clark Smith passed away. We approved a \$50 donation to the Foundation in memory of Clark Smith. Total membership is 256.

Covid Response Committee: There is a little over \$8,000 available for Kiwanians who are experiencing financial hardship. If we do not have additional applicants, this committee will consider in mid-January if these funds should be put to other uses in the service of our community.

The Committee is looking into forming a calling tree or buddy system that would allow us to stay in touch with our shut in Kiwanians and to let them know we care. We have a number of Kiwanians that we don't see since we switched to Zoom. We want to be able to reach out to them in a personal way by phone.

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Board Report

100th Anniversary Project: The Crow Creek Watershed people are anxious to get our partnership going. They would like to know which section of Crow Creek we would like to choose for our project. We told them we are still looking for chairs. If you are interested in learning more about chairing, please visit with Renee Brower or Lauri Osborne.

Quartermaster: Renee Brower met with new Quartermaster Tim Sheppard. They have divided the Quartermaster position into four separate job functions. They hope to meet with the four people currently filling those four job functions in the next week, and ask each one to bring a plus one in case they are ever unable to fulfill that position.

Dues while we are not meeting in person: If you are experiencing a difficulty paying your full dues of \$55 a month while we are on zoom only, please reach out to John Barnes, me or a board member to discuss options. Briefly, your options are we have a limited number of full membership scholarships for active Kiwanians from Central Bank and Trust and a few generous individuals. You can go to the \$9 a month leave of absence rate or the \$20 a month Kiwanis After Hours rate. The take away is you must reach out to John Barnes, me or a Board member if you are seeking a dues reduction while we are on Zoom only.

Covid Safety Precautions/Clarification of Insurance Coverage: With the current spike, we will continue meeting by Zoom only. Our Risk Manager Chuck Seniawski confirmed with Kiwanis International that our insurance covers no claims whatsoever related to anyone getting Covid at one of our meetings or events, not even legal defense if we are sued.

Community Service Requests: We approved a \$500 donation to the Cheyenne Boys and Girls Club.

Concerns/Other Developments: Board Member Steve Borin (a Doctor of Pharmacy married to an MD) recommends we be patient and that we will see the Covid situation turn the corner for the better in the not-so-distant future. The vaccines are believed to be in Wyoming already, although not that many of them. It won't be that long until the vaccinations are available. In the meantime we should be patient. The effects of the disease can be so bad; the disease is so contagious and the lack of room in the hospital is such it would behoove us to be patient and stay with Zoom only until this turns around.

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Board Report

The Board, at its meeting today, requested the following information be shared with the Club membership.

The current Kiwanis fiscal year dues income is budgeted at \$155,100, which divides out to \$12,925 per month at \$55.00 dues per month for 235 paying members.

The dues income for the first two months of this year [October and November] is \$21,541.66. The budgeted amount for two months is \$25,850.

Dues income after the first two fiscal year months is thus \$4,308.34 [$\$25,850 - \$21,541.66$] under budget.

Continuation of this trend, presuming the monthly dues income stays about the same, and not decrease, will result in dues income being under budget by approximately \$25,850.

You should also note the difference between the monthly minimum of \$28.00, and full dues of \$55.00, is \$27.00, which is not sufficient to cover the cost of 4 meals per month at \$12.00 per meal. If every member ate four meals per month, dues would have to be \$75.00 at a minimum.

55150 · District Dues	\$14,000.00
55160 · International Dues	\$21,000.00
55180 · Insurance	\$3,500.00
55300 · IT/Club Communications	\$4,000.00
55345 · Postage	\$750.00
55440 · Professional Services	\$600.00
55450 · Licenses & Fees	\$100.00
55600 · Payroll	\$22,000.00
55610 · Payroll Taxes	\$2,000.00
55700 · Telephone*	\$2,000.00
57730 · Warehouse Utility	\$6,000.00
55200 · International Convention	\$2,500.00
55210 · Midwinter Conference	\$500.00
55220 · District Convention	\$1,000.00
Total	\$79,950.00

Monthly dues minimum \$6,662.00

Dues per Member at 235 \$28.00

The required approximate minimum monthly dues which must be paid by 235 members to cover fixed expenses - i.e. \$28.00. Please note convention expenses are included.

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Meeting Photos



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Thank you Kiwanis Sponsors!



Dixie M. Roberts



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