




## Kee-Notes

### Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Bethesda, Maryland Serving the Community Since 1945 August 8, 2013

Past Lt-Governor **GARY BOSWELL** opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and song. Rev. **John Walker** gave the prayer. Past President **Ben Schlesinger** presided over the meeting today in the absence of President **Jeanne Smith**. Nine members were present. Our three delegates August 16-18, will attend the 95th Capital District Convention, Williamsburg, VA, **Patsy Jackson, Gary Boswell** and **Bob Cressy**. Our Club has supported some of the projects taking place at the convention:

	<b>Doctor Bear's Closet</b> – This is a special room at the hotel where new clothing items for newborns who are at the Children's Medical Center/Hospital are given to sick children to keep. Eleven pieces of clothing were donated by <b>Pat Tiede</b> and <b>Patsy Jackson</b> .
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	<b>Ducky Derby Tickets</b> – Raffle Tickets were sold to help 7 Pediatric Trauma Centers in the Capital District area. Our club purchased \$130.00. Yeah, Team! Hundreds of rubber ducks are numbered and dumped into the swimming pool. A few chosen members dive for the duck to pick a winner. Cash prizes are then announced.
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	<b>Project Eliminate</b> – Our club's super-sized baby bottle yielded \$122 from donations made at each meeting. In addition, club members have purchased ties, scarves, and the prestigious Zeller Award that helps to provide funds to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. The 21 <sup>st</sup> Century global campaign for children of the world.
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**Gary Boswell, Pat Tiede** and **Patsy Jackson** will be attending the Olney Kiwanis dinner held on Thursday, August 9, at the Montgomery Country Club.

**REMEMBER – CASINO NIGHT, Friday, September 20** from 7-10 pm at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rescue Squad, 5020 Battery Lane, Bethesda, MD. We will need everyone's support and contributions to make it a success. Flyers have been distributed around the area and at club meetings. We must have everyone's participation. **Marlayna Proctor** is chairperson of this event – call her if you have questions 240-671-7276.

We sang Happy Birthday to **Gary Boswell, Patsy Jackson**, and **Pat Norry** who have birthdays in August. Other birthdays in August are: **Chuck Carlsen** and **Jim Leder**.

### **CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES:**

**Thurs. August 22, LUNCH MEETING, LaPanetteria, 12 Noon – Speaker Miriam Gandell from the Dwelling Place.**

**Tuesday, Sept. 3, BOARD MEETING, PAT'S APARTMENT, 6:30 pm**

**Thursday, Sept. 12, LUNCH MEETING, LaPanetteria, 12 Noon – SPEAKER???????**

**Tuesday, Sept. 17, MIRACLE LEAGUE MEETING, Jim's Conference Room, 6:30 pm**

**Friday, Sept. 30, CASINO NIGHT FUNDRAISER, Bethesda CC Rescue Squad, 6:30 pm**

Monday, Sept. 23, FOUNDATION MEETING, Hunter's Inn, 6:30 pm  
Thursday, Sept. 26, LUNCH MEETING, LaPanetteria, 12 Noon – SPEAKER??????  
Thursday, Oct. 10, INDUCTION DINNER, LaPanetteria, 6:30 pm - \$25

## HAPPY DOLLARS

**Ben Schlesinger HD** pleased to be running the meeting today and announced that he was recently elected Vice Chairman of the Bethesda Transportation Solutions (BTS) Committee. **Pat Tiede HD** for Project Eliminate and to welcome **Don Regnell** back to the meeting today. **Scott Brewer HD** to congratulate **Kelly Boswell** for assuming the position of Lt. Gov. for 2 years! **Pat Norry HD** to celebrate a great family reunion at the beach wherein 47 out of 50 of her family members attended. **Don Regnell 5 HDs** for surviving his first cooking class which he recently started. **Rev. John Walker HD** to congratulate **Ben Schlesinger** on his achievements. **Bob Cressy 5 HDs** to thank the club for supporting him as a delegate to the International Convention in Vancouver and looks forward to the Capital Convention in Williamsburg next week. He also thanked **Don Regnell** for coming back to our club.

## PROGRAM FOR THE DAY



**Bob Cressy** and **Gary Boswell** gave us a fascinating tour and slide presentation of the 98<sup>th</sup> International Convention held in Vancouver, BC and hosted by Canada. The opening ceremony was represented by 92 countries. Attending were 4,000 delegates with a total of 6,000 Kiwanians in attendance. In 2014 the convention will be held in Japan. 2015 is the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Kiwanis and it will be a big celebration as we all gather in Indianapolis. Vancouver is a beautiful city on the water with a large port where the Holland-American cruise lines come into port on their way to Alaska. The convention hotel overlooked the water. The tour included a look at the Family Store, project displays from different clubs (Eliminate, UNICEF), views of the buildings in the city, cruise lines docking, and the beautiful flowers, landscaping, gardens and night lights of the city from a distance.



The first women were allowed to become members of Kiwanis Clubs in 1987. (Prior to that, the women were in a club of their own called Ki-Wives.) This happened right here in Washington, DC with President Ronald Reagan as the main speaker and First Lady Nancy Reagan receiving a Medal of Freedom Award. Note: The International President for next year was elected at the Vancouver convention and she is a female from Michigan.

Kiwanis strongly supports the Key Clubs (high school) which number 270,000 in 30 nations as well as the Circle K (college) Clubs. We also have K-Kids and Builders Clubs for younger youth.

**Pat Tiede, Editor**

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