

# Kiwanis Club Orlando

*Serving Central Florida Children Since 1921*

January 8, 2010



## President's Message

Happy New Year! I hope you and your family had a relaxing holiday.

We're off to a fast start in 2010 – beginning with a special club meeting on January 15. During the meeting, we'll recognize six MicroGrant recipients for the quarter. What a great opportunity to see firsthand the impact our club has on the Central Florida community...see you there!

## Club Business

President Tom Porter called the meeting to order at 12:30pm.

Several club members are in need of our thoughts and prayers. John Tilden has been in the intensive care unit at Florida Hospital with heart-related issues and an infection. Dave Theophilus is recovering from a medical procedure, following heart-related issues. Get well cards were circulated during the meeting.

Hugo deBeaubien reported that the December 19 Salvation Army Red Kettle campaign was a huge success, generating critical funding for the Salvation Army. A total for the fundraising effort is coming soon.

Division 10 Lt. Governor Gene Leonard encouraged the club to participate in the upcoming Bowl-A-Thon, noting that the three previous fundraisers generated \$11,900 for juvenile diabetes. The next Bowl-A-Thon is Saturday, February 13. Last year, Kiwanis Club Orlando fielded two teams. A sign-up sheet was circulated for the event this year.

Harry Brumley has a few tickets left for the Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> East-West Shrine Game. A portion of the proceeds go to Kiwanis Club Orlando.

Dan Koivu has \$25 tickets for the March 11 Magic game against the Chicago Bulls. This club social will begin at the Orlando Day Nursery with pre-game snacks. The group will walk over to the game together...

50/50 Blackjack: Steve Rausch was the grinning dealer and Tony Pike won the drawing to face the cards. Luck was not with Tony, as he busted on the second draw. The pot will roll over to the next meeting.

## Upcoming Hospitality Committee

1/15/10 Pike 1/22/10 Rizzo

1/29/10 Rogerson 2/5/10 Brumley



## Upcoming Meetings

1/15/10  
Regular Meeting  
Orlando Day Nursery

1/22/10  
Regular Meeting  
Orlando Day Nursery

1/29/10  
Regular Meeting  
Orlando Day Nursery

## Upcoming Events

1/15/10  
MicroGrant Presentation,  
as part of regularly  
scheduled club meeting

## Mark Your Calendar

3/10/10  
Orlando Magic Game

4/23/10  
Club Golf Outing

## 1/8/10 Statistics

28 Kiwanians

5 Visiting Kiwanians  
Kiwanis Club of  
South Orlando

Guests:

Bill McCormac (Porter)  
John Baylor (Rudd)

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## Program Notes

Didier Menard introduced guest speaker Victor Schaffner, an editorial writer for the Orlando Sentinel. Victor moved to Central Florida in 2006 from Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The program provided a behind-the-scenes look at the process used to develop editorials. When taking a position on an issue, the editorial board discusses the topic at length – a particular challenge given the make-up of the board, which includes people on all ends of the political spectrum.

Looking back, Victor said the big story in 2009 involved efforts to finalize SunRail. (Victor guessed that nearly 100 editorials ran on the subject over a two-year period.)

Looking ahead, Victor believes there will be a great deal of focus on efforts to lift the ban on offshore drilling along the coast of Florida. To date, the editorial board has been opposed to offshore drilling, citing the importance of tourism along the coast and the close proximity to shore (5 miles), should a problem occur.



Victor Schaffner takes questions from club members following his presentation.

## Kiwanis Club Orlando Connections



### Can you guess who?

This club member joined the same year a new stock market index, the Nasdaq, debuted. It was also the year a new theme park opened, the Walt Disney World Resort.



### You Got Game?

If not, support bowlers from Kiwanis Club Orlando as they compete in the district's annual Bowl-a-Thon on Sat., Feb. 13. Best bowler? Worst?



DOWNTOWN  
SOUTH

Mark your calendar for an event to support athletics at Boone High School – and a chance to see Tom Porter break his 5k personal best time!

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Reservation Run 5K  
February 20, 2010**

Presented by the Boone High School Athletic Association and Downtown South



Bob Riddle (r) connects with a long-time friend during the inter-club meeting with Kiwanis Club of South Orlando



**Coming Soon!**  
**Florida Citrus Bowl**  
**Saturday, January 23 • 3:00 p.m.**

**EAST WEST**  
SHRINE GAME

A small illustration of a baseball player in a dark uniform with the number 26, holding the hand of a small child.

Purchase tickets by contacting:  
**Harry Brumley, [HBrumley@aol.com](mailto:HBrumley@aol.com).**  
A portion of each ticket purchased goes to Kiwanis Club Orlando.