

Kiwanis Club Orlando

Serving Central Florida Children Since 1921

April 2, 2010



President's Message

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the upcoming microgrant celebration on April 16. Right now we have six non-profit organizations attending. What a great opportunity to thank those who are working hard in our community.

The next deadline for submitting a microgrant application is May 15. The updated application is available online at www.kiwanisorlando.org.

Club Business

Tom Porter called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. Club announcements included:

Jeff Askins provided an update on the bylaws review underway. A bylaws review committee (John Roper, Ruth Bresnick, Jeff Askins) is leading the effort and will make recommendations to the board on April 15. Feel free to offer input. Printed and electronic copies of the club's current bylaws and Kiwanis International requirements are available. Ultimately, the club will vote on proposed revisions during the Kiwanis Club Orlando Annual Meeting.

Speaking of – the Kiwanis Club Orlando Annual Meeting is on Friday, May 14 during the regularly scheduled meeting time. This meeting will also include election of officers and the board for the next fiscal year. Matt West has organized a meeting of all past presidents following the club meeting on April 9 to discuss nominations. See Matt for more information.

The microgrant celebration this quarter, scheduled for April 16, also marks a HUGE milestone. Any guesses?

Cathy Rogerson reported on the upcoming Aktion Club volunteer project (see p.g. 2 for a photo of the event). Thank you to all volunteers who helped during the Aktion Club meeting on April 1.

There are two service projects in the coming weeks: (1) Food service at Christian Service Center in lieu of the club meeting on 4/30, and (2) Volunteer assistance at the Orange County TrackFest May 14 – May 15. Steve Kirby will have more information on TrackFest, including volunteer needs for the two-day event.

Don't forget about the upcoming golf outing on Friday, April 23 at Dubsdred. Steve Johnson is taking reservations for the event. The Friday club meeting on April 23 will continue, as scheduled.

Upcoming Hospitality Committee

4/9/10	Pike	4/16/10	Roper
4/23/10	Linder	4/30/10	N/A



Upcoming Meetings

4/9/10
Regular Meeting
Orlando Day Nursery

4/16/10
Regular Meeting
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4/23/10
Regular Meeting
Orlando Day Nursery

Upcoming Events

4/16/10
Microgrant Celebration
Orlando Day Nursery

4/23/10
Club Golf Outing
Dubsdred Golf Course

4/30/10
Community Service
Christian Service Center

Mark Your Calendar

5/14/10
Kiwanis Club Orlando
Annual Meeting

5/14/10 – 5/15/10
Community Service
TrackFest

4/2/10 Statistics

25 Kiwanians

Guests:

Cody Pike (Pike)
Jaydn Pike (Pike)
Ryan Phillips (McCormac)
Tami Karaba (Teague)

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Program Notes

Daryl Cronk, director of research for the Orlando CVB, was the featured speaker on April 2. The CVB is primarily funded by a portion of the Tourism Development Tax. Their mission is to promote Orlando as a travel destination worldwide.

Right now, the largest groups of international travelers in Central Florida originate in the United Kingdom, Canada and South America. During the current recession UK and Canadian numbers have dropped, though visitors from South America have increased. Domestically, travelers are staying closer to home and reducing the length of their vacation.

The CVB is watching two theme park projects currently in development - Universal's *The Wizarding World of Harry Potter* is expected to have a large impact, along with the re-launch of Fantasy Land at The Magic Kingdom. Both could help curb declining numbers, particularly in the UK market.



Kiwanians young and...well you know... were at the April 2 meeting to hear Daryl Cronk (center) present information about tourism trends in Central Florida.

Kiwanis Club Orlando Connections

Community Service



A big thank you to Cathy Rogerson for organizing our service project at the Aktion Club meeting on April 1!

Next Program



Your input during the Nov. 20 club meeting helped select the Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year, our featured speaker on April 9. And the winner is.....

Countdown

1:03:23



Upcoming Service Project



Kiwanis Club Orlando is rolling out the trailer during the Friday, April 30 club meeting to serve lunch at the Christian Service Center. See Matt West if you can help with planning.

Community Event



Dust off your acid wash jeans and get ready to support an amazing non-profit organization. Coalition for the Homeless is featuring Styx during its annual Hearts of Gold fundraiser at Hard Rock Live. For more information, visit www.centralfloridahomeless.org. Rock on!