

-----Greater Woodbury Kiwanis-----

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Meeting: 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Thursdays at noon
Charlie Brown's: 3rd Thursday at 6:30 PM



Jim Meehan: President 2014-2015
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NJ District Division 2 Club
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October Birthdays: Joe Avallone, 10/26 HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Programs for October

October 1st - Board meeting following lunch at Charlie Brown's
October 8th - Member presentation
October 15th - Evening meeting at 6:30PM at Charlie Brown's
October 22nd - Rabbi Jordan Gendra will speak
October 29th - Jennifer Liss: Physical Therapist will speak on balance and vertigo



The Terrific Kids schedule for October is as follows:

Thursday, Oct. 15th at 8:45AM - West End
Tuesday, Oct. 20th at 9:00AM - Evergreen School
Tuesday, Oct. 20th at 2:00PM - Walnut Street School
Thursday, Oct. 22nd at 8:25AM - Woodbury Heights School



Dates to remember:

October 1st - Installation of Greater Woodbury Officers
November 5th - Greater Woodbury Charter Night at Charlie Brown's
November 2015 - Poinsettia sales fund raiser: Please turn in orders by November 19th
December 3rd and 10^h poinsettias pick up at Morris Graphics
December 4th - Mayor's breakfast at Auletto's 20.00 @
December - Christmas celebration dinner

The 29th Annual Car Show was held on Saturday, Sept. 5th with 270 participants. The show is sponsored by the Woodbury Merchants Assoc. with our club as a cosponsor for the last three years. Our logo was on the banner that hangs across Broad St. Meetings were held throughout the year, labels were typed and envelopes with car show materials were prepared beforehand. On that Saturday, registrations were taken and t-shirts sold by our members. A Kiwanis trophy was given this year. Thanks to Ed S., Betty, Jim M., Claire, Connie, George, Madeline and Joan.

The Regional Training Session for Key Clubs was held at the West Deptford High School on Saturday, Sept 12th. Our club was asked to help since we are the sponsors of the West Deptford Key Club. We served breakfast that was obtained from Bagelicious with juice donated by Wawa. Domino pizza was served for lunch with chips and cookies. Thanks to Ed B., Jim M., Connie, George, Claire and Betty for all the help.

The board of directors has decided to participate in a project sponsored by Boscov's stores called " Friends helping Friends" for nonprofit organizations. We ask for a \$5 donation for each card that gives customers to get 25% off of merchandise on October 20th . We get to keep the \$5 donation for each card sold-no cost to club. Betty has tickets and also posters.

Greater Woodbury becomes a Model Club for Eliminate

Kiwanis International has set a goal for the Eliminate program to reach its fundraising target by the end of the year. As a result they have created a category of Club Designation called the Model Club. By taking pledges that can be paid over the next 5 years Kiwanis International hopes to "book the value of the pledges" this year in the same way that you book pledges at church that will flow in over the next year. The suggested amount for each club depends on membership, and so for the club to be designated a model club they must pledge an amount of at least \$150 per member each year over the next five years. As an incentive to get clubs to sign up now and make their pledge Kiwanis International has announced a pledge from an anonymous donor pledging to match 20% of each club's total pledged amount, thereby reducing the amount the club needs to raise to meet its model club goal. At the time our board made the commitment the membership was 28. This means that over the next 5 years we have pledged to donate \$4,200 per year or a total of \$21,000. Our club gets credit for the amount already given to the Eliminate Project and since we plan to purchase a Hixon each year (that \$1,000 Hixon purchase will count toward the commitment) we have already met some of our pledge. This means that given what we have already given and plan to give via the Hixon, we will need to give \$9,300. Once you factor in the 20% pledged by the anonymous donor who reduced our total, we will need to plan an additional \$1,300 each year for a 5 year total of \$6500.

Our club has taken on a significant commitment, yet by pledging at this level we have already caused the \$2,800 matching grant to be funded and credited toward our total and toward the total Kiwanis International needs to complete the project. Our board also affirmed the resolution that we would present a good faith effort to meet our pledge but would not reduce funding for local programming to meet this goal. The Board considered several new fundraising options and will explore them.

How can you help? Giving to the Eliminate Project is always a good thing and remember that each \$100 saves X lives by vaccinating against Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus (MMT) and there are a variety of ways you can give. The club would appreciate it if you could donate thru the Club. Our treasurer Rich is setting up a special line item where all misc. donations to Eliminate will be accounted for and passed on to KI for credit toward our pledge. There are other things you can do in the meantime. Sometimes people who have special events state that "rather than a gift to them, you can donate to your favorite charity". Please remember the Eliminate project when you have that opportunity. Should you want to celebrate a family member by giving in their name to a charity, please remember the Eliminate project. Obviously the largest item would be the purchase of a Hixon or Zeller award yourself or to honor someone else. If you do that please make sure that that purchase is credited to our clubs commitment to Eliminate.

The presentation to the club of photos from Jim Meehan's Southern Africa trip included South Africa, Botswana, Zimbabwe and Namibia. Our small group (totaling 16) were fortunate to see all of the Big Five (Elephant, Lion, Leopard, Rhino and Cape Buffalo). Additionally we saw both White and Black Rhinos and were especially thrilled to see a Cheetah hanging out and somewhat playing around like a contented house cat. We were able to study many of the animals' habits via the photos and I hope everyone got a feeling of being there with these photos. Birds were much more colorful than they are around here. Everywhere you turned was a new combination of colors. The photos were an interesting way of referring to cultural things we learned like life in the village and our experience in the school. Our final segment was a visit to Cape Town which is a wonderful city and quite the attraction. Visiting the Cape of Good Hope was a very special experience where mariners from the European nations first rounded this treacherous body of water in search of a route to India and the spices of the east.
