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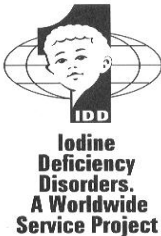
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 The View from Countryside
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COUNTRYSIDE KIWANIS MEMBERS:

REMINDING YOU, ONCE AGAIN, TO PLACE OUR "ALL IMPORTANT" CLUB FALL AND WINTER DINNER DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR:

OFFICER/DIRECTOR INSTALLATION AT OLIVE GARDEN ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, \$20 PER PERSON
 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY AT COUNTRYSIDE COUNTRY CLUB, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, \$30 PER PERSON

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Calendar

UPCOMING KIWANIS EVENTS
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Tuesday, August 12



Regular Meeting
STEVE PASTERNAK
 Lighting in these tough economic times

Board of Directors
 Tuesday, August 12, 7pm
DICK LUCE residence (DCE)
 2976 Buxton Ct, Clearwater

Tuesday, August 19



Regular Meeting
GREG GOLD
 Reverse Mortgages

Tuesday, August 26



Business Meeting
 Committee Meetings
 Magazine & Canned Food Collection

Monday, September 1



Labor Day
 (Banks and Post Office closed)

Tuesday, September 2



Regular Meeting
WILBER VAN Scoik
 FL Assn for the Restoration of Ethics

Foundation for Fiscal Reform, Inc.

We are indebted to Professor **RON NELSON, CPA**, Economist, our breakfast meeting speaker last week, August 5, for providing the following summary of his remarks:



RON NELSON

"The Foundation for Fiscal Reform, Inc. was founded to educate people on the macroeconomic issues of this country. People only have to go to our website, www.fffr.org, and become a member for free to receive our weekly newsletter which is the Macroeconomic Outlook. We bring you graduate degreed economists' analyses and commentary on the state of economy each week.

"Most Americans are not aware that we export over \$2 billion/day of our wealth to purchase imports to satisfy our lifestyle. We have a cumulative trade deficit of over \$6 trillion since 1991. Foreign government owned corporations called Sovereign Wealth Funds now have over \$4 trillion U. S. dollars in their possession and they are poised to come into this country and buy-up control of our banks and businesses.

"Another sign that most Americans are out-of-touch with Macroeconomic reality is the fact that over \$4 trillion dollars has been taken out of Social Security and Medicare. Those monies have not been returned and have been wasted by your government. When Social Security and Medicare start cutting benefits, most Americans will discover that the government took their retirement monies and wasted them with no intention of repaying the funds.



"The two parties have failed the America public. It is time for millions of people to join us at the foundation as members so our voices can be

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DICK LUCE

THE MEETING LAST WEEK: 8/5 - Attendance, members 13, guests 3.

President **DICK LUCE** chaired the meeting.

Club raffle winner: 8/5 - **DAVID LINDEMAN**, 7/29 - **CAROL THOMPSON**.

Cash collections: 8/5 - Happy Dollar \$10.00, Raffle - \$6.00.

from the **Governor's Gavel**

By Mark D. Taylor

(from Florida Kiwanian

August/September 2008)



MARK/SHARON TAYLOR

FINISHING STRONG

The Kiwanis Administrative year ends September 30th. I am sure that every Governor in the history of Florida Kiwanis has been struck by the challenge of accomplishing all that needs to be done in the short time that we have to lead. As I finish the year, it occurs to me that we may have many things backwards. Governors spend the first six months doing so many things that are required for administration of the District. Governor's visits, training sessions, encouraging clubs to pay dues and submit reports are things that happen during the first six months. The plan is to encourage clubs to follow the plan and then watch them do so.

Unfortunately, by the time we are ready to watch, many of our club leaders have grown tired. Every Governor I have ever observed asks the members and clubs to finish strong. I will be no different. But I wonder what would happen if a Governor let clubs have their own plan and in the second half of the year remind them of what they planned. We could even hold them accountable to their own plan.

So here's a novel approach. Why don't you decide what your club's priority is and then go accomplish it between now and the end of the year. Some standard priorities are things like creating net membership growth, starting a new Service Leadership Club in a school in your area, educating your club members and officers, or creating a new service initiative. Any of these are great suggestions, but perhaps you have one that is better for your club. I would love to hear yours. What are you going to do to finish strong?

from the **"First Lady"**

By Sharon Taylor

UNIQUE TRADITIONS

Kiwanis has many traditions. Some are well-known, such as the wearing of orange at the International Convention. Others, however, are less well-known, but incredibly interesting. Mark and I have had the unique opportunity to experience many Kiwanis traditions that have been shared by past Governors and their spouses throughout the years. These traditions include receiving a resolution from the Florida Governor and the Cabinet in Tallahassee, and throwing out the first pitch at a Tampa Bay Rays baseball game.

There is one tradition, however, that you have probably never heard of - and I think that it is definitely one of the most special. It is the "Kiwanis Spouse Notebook." Started in 1979-80 by First Lady Myrtle Hogan, the Notebook is a fascinating collection of thoughts, advice, and guidance that is passed on each year to the newly-elected Governor's spouse. The Notebook is in the form of letters - all originally hand-written, although now most are done on the computer - which aim to encourage and assist the incoming "First Spouse." The beauty of the notebook is that it is, in essence, a history of "life in Florida Kiwanis" over the past 30 years. The changing role of women in Kiwanis is chronicled in the pages of the Notebook. It is truly a treasure of the Florida District.

UPCOMING KIWANIS EVENTS

Florida District Convention
August 21-24, 2008
Jacksonville, Florida

Officer/Director Installation
Olive Garden Restaurant
Tuesday, September 30, 6:00 pm

Countryside Kiwanis Christmas Party
Countryside Country Club
Thursday, December 4, 6:00 pm

RON NELSON, continued

heard. Based on the success of the Civil Rights Movement, we will use millions of members and large financial resources to bring about the economic and fiscal reforms that are so badly needed in this country."

Editor's Note: **RON NELSON** has a Masters Degree in Economics and has taught economics in college. He is a CPA and has worked all over the world including the USA, South America, Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

UNIQUE TRADITIONS, continued

As Mark's year as Governor draws to a close, I am beginning to ponder what words I will write, not only to my successor, Nancy Liddell, but also to those men and women who will follow after us. I am proud to be able to include a letter in this very special book. This is one Kiwanis tradition that, I hope, will be around for a very long time.

BREAKFAST MEETING SPEAKER TODAY



STEVE PASTERNAK
Lighting in these
tough economic times

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COUNTRYSIDE, CLEARWATER DUNEDIN GREATER WEST PASCO Eve's Family Rest, 3150 Tampa Rd (Woodlands Sq) Oldsmar TU 7:30 A
Mease Dunedin Hospital, 601 Main Street, Dunedin TH 7:30 A
Beef O'Brady's Restaurant, Route 19 and Floramar Ave TH 6:00 P
LARGO/MID PINELLAS PALM HARBOR SAFETY HARBOR Largo Community Center, 54 - 4th Street, Largo FR 7:30 A
Tiffany's Restaurant, 35000 US 19 No., Palm Harbor TU 7:30 A
Paradise Restaurant, 443 Main Street, Safety Harbor WE 7:30A
SPRINGTIME CITY TARPON SPRINGS Clearwater Country Club, 525 Betty Lane, Clearwater TH 6:00F
Clubhouse at Cypress Run Golf Club, 2669 St. Andrews Blvd WE 6:30 P, 1st
3rd week

COUNTRYSIDE, CLEARWATER KIWANIS CLUB COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS 2007-2008

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