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Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

This is an exciting time to be a Kiwanis member. Our club is financially strong and the needs in our community are great. We have a tremendous responsibility to serve. I hope you are willing to join in.

The theme for the next year will be, **LOOKING FORWARD**. As the incoming president, I am grateful for the opportunity that you have given me and I appreciate your confidence as we move ahead.

It is important that as we look forward, we do not forget our past. There is a rich and vital history within our club and we need to draw from the past as we peer into the future. I love tradition and history, but I also like to imagine what the future can hold. Looking back is a great way to get your bearings as you look forward.

Our club is definitely undergoing some changes. We have a wonderful core of members who are tried and true. They are committed and generous and they love the Kiwanis experience. We also have members whose lives are so busy that we don't get to enjoy their fellowship as often. They still belong and they serve because they want to be a part of something important in our community... and that's what Kiwanis is. Kiwanis is much larger than any individual, and through the dedicated service of our club, we have the responsibility, the privilege and the ability to impact children's lives in ways that none of us could ever accomplish alone. I hope that thought is important to you.

One of my goals would be to help our club become a stronger, more cohesive group. I believe that a stronger club will build deeper relationships and I hope you will look forward to the challenges and the opportunities that will be presented to make our club stronger. There will be more on that as the year progresses.

Another goal will be to develop our long-term project. We will research and develop a vision to promote Kiwanis in a new way. Our recent survey showed that our club is interested in pursuing a Teen Motivational Event, a Boys and Girls Club and a Children's Museum for our community. Teams will be organized to research these possibilities and present information to the club this year.

It is indeed an exciting and important time to be a Kiwanian. The need is great and we are called as servant-leaders to respond. I hope you will look forward and join us as we move forward together.

Craig Smith, President

Leroy Award

For many years we have been looking for a way to recognize individuals for their contributions to our Club and community---a symbol or icon that stands for excellence and dedication, something that will withstand the test of time, something proven and based on high principles.

In 2003 our Club introduced a recognition award that we hope will last forever. An award that mirrors and measures everything good as exemplified by its name and the person it emulates.

This award is given to a select few who go beyond the mediocre and commonplace and I believe will be *coveted* by its recipients for years to come. This award is a simple acknowledgement, but the person it symbolizes was far from simple.

This award is referred to as the "Leroy" in honor of one of the many heroes in this Kiwanis Club. Mr. Leroy Pease (pictured above right) *was* a well-known and respected Burlington educator/administrator, a true gentleman and a man of distinction in our Club, our schools and all over town.

Leroy was a man who earned respect by all. A man with vision and purpose and a man who represented all that is good. He gave freely and expected little in return. This award recognizes quality and excellence in Kiwanis work over the years. Leroy Pease is a true Kiwanian story.

Award initiated by: Dave Vavroch, President 2003-2004



Leroy Award Past Recipients

2003-2004
Bob Prall

2004-2005
Dave Vavroch
Wyman Weinbeck
Gene Van Dewoestyne
Bob Reid

2005-2006
Ruth Ann Sandrock
Dan Wiedemeier

2006-2007
Ed Larson
Cliff Calhoun

2007-2008
Jim Garnjobst
Phil Bartleson

Leroy Award Recipient 2008-2009

Tom Cameron received the Leroy Award at the September 10 Kiwanis Club meeting. He is no stranger to hard work and involvement in our Club and in this community. Tom is married to Linda and they have two children. He has been involved in the insurance business for 50 years and owns MFS Mutual Insurance Co. Tom has very quietly, but significantly touched many lives and helped many people. Our recipient has served as the Kiwanis Club President in 1982-83, a Church Council member, Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors, Low Rent Housing Board of Directors, Hope Haven Board of Directors, Kiwanis Newsletter Editor, Chair, Kiwanis Bell Ringers for Salvation Army, and many other Kiwanis contributions.



In response to receiving this award Tom stated:

"I was totally surprised when my name was announced as the recipient of the Leroy Award. My first introduction to Kiwanis was when I was a senior in High School. At that time Kiwanis was an all male organization. The club in my hometown chose two senior boys to be representatives at their meetings, so I attended as many as possible. I became extremely impressed with the objects of Kiwanis and the individual members. When I was asked to join the Burlington club in 1968 I jumped at the chance. I soon became very reticent to say I was Kiwanian until I was actually giving something back to the community through various volunteer opportunities. To me, to say one is a Kiwanian means more than the fact that they attend a weekly meeting. It means they are involved in charitable work in the community, primarily for children. Our club does that extremely well with its own projects, but we all have opportunities to do more in other ways. Again, thank you. I am extremely humbled by the award."

Kiwanis Golf League Wraps Up

It was another fun golf season for the Kiwanis Golf League this year. In all, 30 Kiwanians had a great time playing golf on Wednesday afternoons. The final League standings put Team 4 in the lead in a dramatic, come-from-behind fashion. Team 4 was Lee Fedler and Dennis Wilson. They beat out



Team 3, Carl Engstrom, Dennis Dietzman and Chuck Rucker. Third place went to Team 7, Bob Prall, Don Duke and Jim Corder. The League Banquet and meeting was held Wednesday evening, September 30th at Flint Hills Golf Course, capping off an 18 hole best shot tournament. The results of the tournament were not available at press time, but I'm sure loads of Kiwanis fun were had by all.

Ministers Day October 15

Invite your minister to Ministers Day on Thursday, October 15.

Lunch is provided by the club. A great program in appreciation of our area Ministers is being put together.



Jerry Parks is inducted as Past President.



Craig Smith is inducted as President.



Matt Shinn is inducted as Vice President and Karen Clay as Vice President

Past Lt. Governor, Michelle Williams inducts new officers at the club meeting on October 2. The event was followed by an address by 2009-2010 President Craig Smith.

What's Happening? @ Kiwanis Board Meeting

This is my final report and I'm looking forward to Matt Shinn's monthly account of our meetings. Go, Matt!!

David Luers, Burlington Fire Dept., made a presentation on "Pediatric Trauma Kits", and we unanimously approved \$3,040 for this program. We also allocated \$50 for Safe Trick or Treat festivities given by Burlington Police Auxiliary and \$1,500 to Iowa-Illinois District of Kiwanis for the Spastic Paralysis project. Thank you to all for your diligent efforts in fund raising this past year.

Two new members, Laurie Hempen & Carol Bartles, were approved, along with resignations of Bridgett Good & Bruce Smith. During 2008-09 we have had 26 new members and 25 resignations/deceased members.

Looking forward to a new year! Karen Clay



Programs

Arranged by Dave Wiemer

- 1 - President Craig Smith and Board of Directors Inductions
- 8 - "Poor Richard, Poor David," Dave Wiemer
- 15 - Identity Theft, Sgt. Steve Parker
- 22 - Sunrise West, A Unique Facility, Don Duke
- 29 - New Dog Park, Susan Denk

Invocations

Arranged by
Craig Smith



- 1 - Captain Alan Otto
- 8 - Pastor Mike Orthel
- 15 - Bruce Widbin
- 22 - Pastor Carl Engstrom
- 29 - Pastor Morris Hurd



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Kiwanis Meeting 1 Noon, Comfort Suites Board of Directors Inductions	2	3
4	5	6	7	Kiwanis Meeting 8 Noon, Comfort Suites Poor Richard, Poor David	9	10
11	12	13 Board Mtg Noon Fun City	14	Kiwanis Meeting 15 Noon, Comfort Suites Ministers Day Identity Theft	16	17
18	19	20	21	Kiwanis Meeting 22 Noon, Comfort Suites Sunrise West	23	24
25	26	27	28	Kiwanis Meeting 29 Noon, Comfort Suites Dog Park	30	31