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The Kiwanis Club of Greensboro meets at noon each Thursday at the Marriott Hotel, 304 N. Greene St. Greensboro, NC President: Preston Allen Past President: Randy Underwood President-elect: Mo McCord Vice-president: Glenda Burkett Secretary/Treasurer: Liz Reinecke

April 2017

### President's Message

I must say, as we begin the second half of this Kiwanis Club year, much has been accomplished for the kids in our community in the first six months. Many kids have benefitted, many Kiwanians have shared their love for helping children, we have welcomed many new members into our Kiwanis family and unfortunately we have had to say goodbye to some very dear dedicated Kiwanians.

As we ponder the sad loss of Lenny Guyes and Graham Pritchard this month we remember their friendship, their unstoppable dedication to our club and its cause, the happiness and smiles they brought to all who came in contact with them but most of all the spirit that each embodied which will live on forever. Their spirit will carry on as does our club's spirit and the charge we have all accepted as Kiwanians "to be a volunteer to improve the lives of children, one child and one community at a time."

As our club moves forward, we will need to be open to change to be more attractive to younger members with different wants and desires in a Service club. It is the outstanding clubs like ours that recognize the importance of adapting change and embracing it rather than fall to the same ultimate outcomes of Kodak film cameras, VCRs, and so on. We do not have any other choice as we have seen the results of inaction in other dwindling clubs even in our own community. How we accomplish this will be an ongoing discussion that will include suggestions from our younger members. After all, it will be those same younger



Preston Allen (left) thanks Kiwanis member and Salvation Army Major Don Vick for hosting the March Kiwanis meeting at the Salvation Army headquarters in Greensboro.

members who will be the future of our club. Mo McCord, President elect, has taken the lead in this effort. Stay tuned for future developments.

Because our club leadership has adopted a future of change, it means our Club future is bright. We will continue to embrace all the things that make our club what it is and add those characteristics that allow it to grow. We have much to accomplish. It's all about being able to help more kids and we do that by getting more Kiwanians in our club so remember the formula, "Love it, Share it and Live it."

— Preston Allen, President Kiwanis Club of Greensboro



## Membership Moment

## Spotlight on Liz Reineke

From time to time it is our intention to spotlight members of the club and provide additional information about them. The first of these "spotlights" featured Bill Walke and his role of Past President and major recruiter. This "spotlight" features Liz Reineke, the Club Secretary.

Liz Reineke has been a member of the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro for nearly 30 years, and for about half of that time has been the club's Secretary and general administrative factotum. She is the living "history keeper" of the club, and if a new member wants any information about the club, it is to her that they go immediately or are pointed the way to.

Liz was the first woman elected as a member of the club in 1988, following a Supreme Court judgment in 1987 that civic clubs had to admit women to their membership. This was quite controversial at the time, leading to some male members actually resigning. However, the vast majority of members welcomed Liz with open arms. Of course, she was already known to the membership, as her father Maurice Nelson (Nels) had been a member of the club since the mid-70s.

When the club posted a need for a Secretary some 15 years ago, Liz applied and was given the post. Initially she worked from a room in Greensboro College, but now she works from home. The job normally takes up about 60 hours a month. In her job for the club Liz does all of the administration, including such items as being the official club officer, taking Board minutes, reporting monthly to Kiwanis International, preparing the annual report, keeping membership information up-to-date, and attending all division, district, and international conventions. In other words, Liz is the "go-to person" for each President when they take office.



Liz was raised in Worthington, Ohio, until 8th grade and then moved with her family to Chicago, where she met her husband, Fred. She attended the Ohio Wesleyan University, majoring in American Civilization, before accepting a teaching job in Darien, Connecticut. She married Fred in 1964 and they have two children, Susan and Scott, who both live and work locally here in Greensboro. Liz and Fred lived for several years in Manhattan, New York City, before transferring to live near Liz's parents in Greensboro. In NYC, Liz started to raise her family, but also worked. She was the first female Customer Relations Representative for the Addressograph-Multigraph corporation in NYC, and a member of the Training team at the then second largest department store in the country.

Liz has really enjoyed her time as Secretary for the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro, and is perhaps the most knowledgeable person today to understand how the club works. She is a hard working wife and mother from a loving family, and of course, she has also been a committed and vital part of the Kiwanis family here in Greensboro for a long time. Please thank Liz when you see her again for her contributions to our club.

## Our April Programs



**Hugh Black and Scott Greene** 

"Faith/hope and the gift of life"

Introduction: Wayne Ford Invocation: Art MacCord Guests: Bill Shaw

Courtesy: Glenda Burkett House: Curtis Laughlin, Tom McClure, Churchill Brown, Randy

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Reception: Kenton Kreager, Woody

Deyton, Jim Baker

50/50: Dixon Johnston, Robert

Gretton

Hugh Black, a banker and fellow Kiwanian at our club since 1994, donated one of his kidneys to his friend Scott Greene of Reidsville on May 31 last year. This courageous and generous gift saved Scott's life, and they will share their story of their remarkable journey with us.



Richard Barron
Economic Development Reporter
for the Greensboro News and
Record

"Greensboro and the world economy"

Introduction: Wayne Ford Invocation: Jennifer Noble Guests: Bill Crawford Courtesy: Glenda Burkett House: Bill Britt, Woody Deyton, Allison Fuqua, Dave Kinne Reception: Kenton Kreager, Woody Deyton, Ben Coston 50/50: John Clark, Greg Williams

Richard Barron has been a journalist for 30 years, covering a variety of news, but specializing in business news. He worked at the Winston-Salem Journal from 1979 to 1992, before transferring to the Triad Business News and then to the Greensboro N&R in 1998. He now covers business development and jobs in the city and for NC.

April 20, 2017

Preston Allen President of the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro

"President's interim report / development of the strategic plan"

Invocation: Mary Rakestraw

Guests: Ross Cox Courtesy: Bob Nolan

House: Clyde Taylor, Max Sharpe,

Alan Atwell Reception: Kenton Kreager, Woody Deyton, Marikay Abuzuaiter 50/50: Danny Barden, Scott Harkey

Preston Allen will give a report on the status of the club after the first six months of his term of office, and will also advise members of the need to update the club's plans for the future.



April 27, 2017

Daniel Finnegan
Publisher and Editor of the
Greensboro News and Record

"The challenges facing the media in the divisive world of the 21st Century"

Introduction: Wayne Ford Invocation: Marikay Abuzuaiter

Guests: Bill Roche Courtesy: Bill Shaw

House: Walt Sowinski, Robert Bell, Miriam Bradley, Jim Armstrong Reception: Kenton Kreager, Woody

Deyton, Tom Smith

*50/50:* Monica Vaughan, Rick Dodson

Daniel Finnegan is the new publisher of the Greensboro N&R, having joined the paper to replace Jeff Gauger on July 5, 2016. Prior to his appointment, Daniel was the Vice President for the Richmond Times-Dispatch, where he worked for nearly 29 years. This is his first post as a publisher of a newspaper. He was educated at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA, and is married to Carolyn Guilfoyle and has two children, ages 10 and 7 years.



# News and Views



#### **LENNY GUYES**

Our fellow Kiwanian Leonard J. Guyes passed away on March 6, 2017, followed by a funeral service at Temple Emanuel on March 10. The service was attended by many of his friends and colleagues from the Kiwanis Club



of Greensboro. Lenny was born in Savannah, GA, in 1929, but spent his life in Greensboro and attended what is now Grimsley High School.

Lenny majored in journalism at UNC Chapel Hill, where he played on the basketball team as the first player to wear jersey #32. In 1952 he joined the family business (Prago-Guyes), a regional ladies clothing store, which he co-owned and helped to run for 31 years. During this time he became President of the Greensboro Merchants Association, and assisted with the desegregation of workforces and the easing of racial tensions during the 1960s. He was also appointed to the mayor's Human Relations Commission to serve in a similar capacity.

In 1983 Lenny sold his interest in Prago-Guyes and became a financial consultant, first with Smith Barney and later with Morgan Stanley. He also dedicated much time to community work, including his work with the Kiwanis. He is survived by Rita, his wife of 61 years, his children Alan Guyes and Janet Webb, and three grandchildren.

#### **GRAHAM PRITCHARD**

Graham Pritchard died on March 19 following a short illness. Graham was a wellknown fellow Kiwanian as it was he who welcomed all of us at the weekly luncheons, pinning on our name tags and then ensuring that they were collected at the end of each



session. He also kept tabs on our attendance numbers and reported to the Board each month on this and other issues.

Graham was born in 1936 near Sumter, SC. He completed school there, then graduated from Clemson with a B.S. in agricultural engineering. After college he served 11 years in the US Air Force, then followed that with working for Duke Power in Charlotte where he worked for 26 years as a regional manager.

Graham volunteered in several organizations, with special interest in the Boy Scouts of America for over 30 years. He also was involved with Greensboro Beautiful, the Greensboro Historical Museum, Christ United Methodist Church, and of course, the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro. He was also a very good singer and sang in the choir.

He is survived by his wife Rebecca, his son Brian, and a sister and brother. A memorial service was held in Graham's honor on March 26.

#### **ED BAUMAN**

It is with sadness that we also have to advise the death of fellow Kiwanian Edward Bauman who died on March 22. Mr. Bauman died in Florida. He joined the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro in 2009 and resigned last year. He is survived by his wife, Vivien.

#### **April Birthdays**



- 2 Edwin Cornelius 2 Clark Ranev
- 6 William Weaver
- 8 Marvin Baugh
- 9 Jennifer Noble
- 10 Edwin Pearce
- 15 Claiborne Barefoot 30 Jane Whichard
- 18 Clyde Taylor
- 20 Greg Williams
- 26 Ernie Whichard
- 28 Charles Reid
- 30 Brenda Fox
- 30 Nollie Neill

"Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in."

### Membership Moment

As soon as you hear it, you instantly recognize the booming voice of the actor, Morgan Freeman. One scientist described that voice as: "His supraglottic resonators generate a formant on the maximum end of the frequency spectrum." Which means his voice carries exceptional power with very low tones!

While none of us have the sonorous voice of a Morgan Freeman, we do have a voice that should be heard — especially when speaking of our Kiwanis Club. We can speak sincerely about all the good we bring to the children of this communityfor so many years and in so many ways. Our voices should reverberate throughout Greensboro exclaiming so many positive accomplishments.

Need details? Just peruse through a few recent Kannons, there are plenty of examples! Our soft spoken Bill Walke starts his conversations with potential members by asking, "Do you belong to a service organization?" We are counting on you to spread the word too, and share your Kiwanis experiences with others and then invite them to a meeting. Let your voice be heard! Speak up!

> — John Bayersdorfer Membership Chair

#### **Welcome Back**

It is with great pleasure that we welcome back Abagail Peoples to the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro. Abagail joined the club originally in July 2010. Abagail said that she was pleased to once again be able to focus on children's issues.

Kiwanis Club of Greensboro

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