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# The Carmel-Clay Kiwanian

## "Serving the Children of the World"

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CARMEL GOLDEN K  
Thursdays 10:00 a.m.  
American Legion Hall  
CARMEL FAMILY CLUB  
St. Mark's Meth. Church  
1st & 3rd Tues, 6:30 p.m.  
CICERO  
Saturdays 7:30 a.m.  
Community Bldg  
FISHERS STATION  
1st & 3rd Mon. 6:00 p.m.  
Claude & Annie's  
131st St., Fishers  
NOBLESVILLE  
Wednesdays 12:00 Noon  
Jim Dandy  
NOBLESVILLE GOLDEN K  
1st & 3rd Wed. 10:30 a.m.  
Northlake Clubhouse  
NOBLESVILLE SUNRISERS  
Tuesdays 7:00 a.m.  
Jim Dandy  
SHERIDAN  
Fridays 7:00 a.m.  
New Sheridan Library (rear)  
ZIONSVILLE  
Tuesdays 7:30 a.m.  
Zionsville Town Hall (rear)

Club Meets 7 a.m. Mondays -  
515 E. Main St., Carmel  
(Life & Learning Center)

## What's Happening?

- Sep. 8 - Business session
  - Sep. 15 - Alan Davis, Carmel Symphony
  - Sep. 22 - TBA
  - Sep. 24 (Wed) - Installation dinner at Max & Erma's, 12195 N. Meridian St. 6 pm.
  - Sep. 29 - Don Steffy, Indianapolis Children's Choir
  - Oct. 6 - TBA
  - Oct. 6 - Board meeting 7 p.m. at Old National Bank, Clay Terrace
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## September Board Notes

The board met on September 2 at Jeanette Denton's home with 9 members present.

♦ *Treasurer's report:* Current balances include: \$3,511 in the Admin. account, and \$10,545 in the Service account, for a total of \$14,056.

Last Saturday's farmers market sales netted \$599. So far this season we have earned \$7,602, and Dick estimates (with 4 weeks to go) that we could reach \$10,000!

Riley jars continue to be a great way to pick up some extra dollars for our annual Riley contribution. Last month's total was \$210 and our total for the year has reached \$1,886.

♦ *Installation dinner:* Festivities at Max & Erma's will begin at 6 p.m. Members and guests will pay \$20 for a full dinner, which includes appetizers, entrees, desserts and non-alcoholic beverages. Total charge will be \$22, plus tax and tip. The club will cover the difference. We will recover 20% of our charge since this is the day we are permitted to put out flyers to attract business for the restaurant.

♦ *Youth clubs:* There are a number of changes this year. Jennifer Spilker replaces Sarah Gibbs as advisor at Westfield Key Club. We're not sure  
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## Dues Reminder

Jeanette sent out the annual dues reminder last week, and they are payable before October 1st.

Annual dues are still \$114, or \$57 payable semi-annually. Checks should be made out payable to Carmel-Clay Kiwanis.

## Off to Africa

Dave Quigley is about to add another dimension to his globe-trotting experiences when he leaves for South Africa on September 6 for his first mission trip.

His team is being led by *Loving South Africa*, an Indianapolis-based ministry that channels resources to 6 or 7 strategic partners in the fight against HIV/AIDS in South Africa. His church, Grace Community, is one of the sponsors of this mission.



They will be visiting orphanages, hospitals, hospice organizations, schools and evangelism teams, all partnering to meet the needs of the people of Makaputu. Dave says that, although it is a beautiful valley, there are thousands of orphaned children from the AIDS pandemic as a part of the 2.2 million children left without parents due to this disease. In fact, in the time that it will take to read this article, another 12-15 people will die in southern Africa of AIDS or AIDS-related diseases.

The group is challenged to raise \$25,000 to be given directly to the orphanages, hospitals, and children's support teams that they meet while there. All the team members are personally paying all the costs for their own transportation and lodging.

Dave and his group will be returning from South Africa on September 22. It will probably not be too difficult to talk Dave into speaking to the club about this adventure when he returns!

## Volunteers for September

### Meeting Hosts

- Sep. 15 - JERRY JACOBSON
- Sep. 22 - DON MOEHN
- Sep. 29 - DAVE HARDEN
- Oct. 6 - MYRON FRANK

### Invocation

- Sep. 15 - CHRISTY TROXELL
- Sep. 22 - JIM PALECEK
- Sep. 29 - DICK KLAR
- Oct. 6 - DICK KLAR

### Spiritual Thought

- Sep. 15 - CONNIE HUNT
- Sep. 22 -
- Sep. 29 -
- Oct. 6 -

## COURTROOM QUOTATIONS

The following statements are taken from official court records across the nation:

♦Lawyer: "Now Mrs. Johnson, how was your first marriage terminated?"  
♦Witness: "By death."  
♦Lawyer: "And by whose death was it terminated?"

♦Accused, defending his own case: "Did you get a good look at my face when I took your purse?"  
(He was found guilty and sentenced to ten years in jail)

♦Lawyer: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?"  
♦Witness: "Gucci sweats and Reeboks."

♦Lawyer: What was the first thing your husband said to you when he woke that morning?"  
♦Witness: "He said, 'Where am I, Cathy?'"  
♦Lawyer: "And why did that upset you?"  
♦Witness: "My name is Susan."

♦Lawyer: Now sir, I'm sure you are an intelligent and honest man--"  
♦Witness: "Thank you. If I weren't under oath, I'd return the compliment."

♦Lawyer: "I show you Exhibit 3 and ask you if you recognize that picture."  
♦Witness: "That's me."  
♦Lawyer: "Were you present when that picture was taken?"

♦Lawyer: "Do you know how far pregnant you are now?"  
♦Witness: "I'll be 3 months on November 8."  
♦Lawyer: "Apparently, then, the date of conception was August 8?"  
♦Lawyer: "What were you doing at the time?"

♦Lawyer: Doctor, did you say he was shot in the woods?"  
♦Witness: No, I said he was shot in the lumbar region."

♦Lawyer: "What is your marital status?"  
♦Witness: "Fair."

## Farmers' Market Work Schedule

Here are the team leaders for each week:

Sept. 6 - Jeff Veldhof  
Sept. 13 - Brenda Cook  
Sept. 20 - Jerry Jacobson  
Sept. 27 - Brenda Cook (last day of mkt)

Please contact Brenda if you are available to work, or need to reschedule the time you have already signed up for.

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## Roster Updates

Mary Eckard—new e-mail address  
meckard@indy.rr.com

Jerry Jacobson—e-mail correction  
jerry\_jacobson@comcast.net

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## September Board (Continued)

who will be faculty advisor at Carmel H.S. Jeff Veldhof has volunteered to be our contact there this year. Steve Meyer will not continue as faculty advisor for the Clay Builders Club. We need to plug this gap in order to keep that club afloat. Carmel Middle School is still without an advisor at this time.

Mary Eckard will continue to head up our BUG program this year, and she would like to have someone step up to replace Jeanette as her partner. Based on the success of this program with Carmel Elementary School we would like to expand it to at least one more school this year.

♦Speakers Committee: Sept. 22 is still an open date, and Sue Finkam would appreciate help in filling in the October dates.

The balance of the board meeting was centered on next year's budget. A number of tentative decisions were made about funding various charitable causes. One particular item of discussion concerned grouping several specific recurring contributions into a general fund from which to draw money at the time of disbursement. A motion was approved to require board approval for any previously approved donation (above \$300) before actual release. More specific discussion will take place at next week's business session.

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## Farewell to Jeanette

She and Gary have sold their Westfield home and Gary has begun his new job in Decatur, Ill. She tells us they have already bought a home in a 50-plus community and are expecting to move in late September. She will be leaving her job at Harris Bank on September 19.

Jeanette has been a faithful member of our club for 10 years and has been a perfect-attender for the past 7 years. She has served as Club Secretary for the past 4 years.

**Jeanette, you will be missed.**

## Some Thoughts on Membership

It's that time of year when all Kiwanis Clubs have to determine who's on board and who's not, before the annual club dues become payable. Our club, unfortunately, has had to do some "house cleaning" this month to get ready for the coming year. The unpleasant aspect of this ritual is that we have technically lost 9 members. Most of those were with us for less than a year, too short a time to really become steeped in the Kiwanis culture. For many people, it takes real determination to wake up early on a Monday morning and come to a meeting. Not everyone can do it successfully!

As all career salespeople know, the art of maintaining a clientele is to constantly find new prospects to replace the ones that went away. This is the exact process that confronts all service clubs - *all the time!*

Here is a historical snapshot of our club, from a 15-year perspective (that's when I joined and began keeping track of such things).

Club membership in May 1993 was 35. During this 15-year period of time there were a total of 122 new members added, and a total of 125 members dropped (these are approximate totals). We lost 5 of our members to death during that time. Current club membership, after the 9 members were eliminated this month, stands at 31.

The club membership reached a peak of 57 in July 1999, and hit a low of 24 in September 2006. It is remarkable to observe that, with all those swinging doors, we are about the same size now as we were 15 years ago. Think what would have happened if no one had bothered to recruit any new members in all that time!!!

My feeling is that it's not nearly as important how large a club is, but how strong is its nucleus, and how many long-term members are still around. More than 1/3 of our members have perfect attendance records spanning many years! Not many clubs can boast that statistic.

Regardless of the current total membership, Carmel-Clay Kiwanis is a very strong organization, and will continue to be so for many years ahead.

Don Moehn

**Birthday  
Greetings**

**October 3 - PAUL FELIX**