

December Calendar

(4) K of the Day: Matt Fong
 Greeters: Don Goodrich, Matt Fong
 Invocation: Ron Veburg
 Program: Adams County Convention & Visitors Bureau
 Speaker: Kaleen Fong



(9) **BOARD MEETING**
 Please pay attention board members.
 The December board meeting is
 Tuesday, December 9th
 at 12:00 pm at the OK Café.
 All members welcome to attend!

(11) K of the Day: Kathy Schultz
 Greeters: Jim Karloff, Darla Bruna
 Invocation: David Kempf
 Program: Christmas Sing-Along
 Speaker: Don Goodrich & Helen Karloff

(18) Lunch at Head Start
 Two shifts 11:25 and 12:00 noon
 Meet at Head Start

(20) Newsletter Deadline

(25) **Christmas**

Merry Christmas!
 There will be no meeting today



Happy Birthday

(3) Franc E Wagner (27) Duane Johnson
 (3) James Benton (28) Rob Lloyd
 (4) Jim Karloff (31) Drew Ceperley
 (5) Lee Wigert
 (6) Doug Nienheuser
 (7) Jacki Lemonds
 (27) Jim Heyen



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Two Years	One Year
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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!

Saturday before the last Thursday of the month
 Send to: Karen Kempf
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 (anytime day or night—leave message)

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Kiwanis Farm Family of the Year 2008

Chuck Brader accepts the 2008 Hastings Kiwanis Farm Family of the Year Award for Riverview Farms Inc. and Brader Farm Partnership. The Bradens are a 5th and 6th generation farming family. In 1879, Henry Brader moved his family from Illinois to a farm 7 miles south of Hastings in Adams County. This farm has been in the family since that time. They have seen many changes and technological advances in farming since the 1870 's but the main goal of planting, growing, and harvesting product to feed the people throughout the world, is still the same and something they have learned to do very well.

PROGRAM NOTES

October 30—Carmen Bunde and Kathy Berns, talked to our club about the importance of vision screening in children. They also spent the entire day training volunteers to be vision screeners as well as Kiwanis volunteers to be assistants to these vision screeners. A special instrument is used in this screening process and costs about \$5000. Our Kiwanis Club has pledged \$1000 towards the purchase of this device so that we can start a vision screening program locally. This program will be lead by the Brain Team, which we also sponsor, and Franc E Wagner, our newest Kiwanis member. Carmen and Kathy are with Prevent Blindness of Nebraska which is based in Omaha, and now they are expanding to the Midwest of Nebraska.



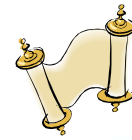
November 6—Betty Kort was our guest speaker today. Betty is with the Cather Foundation in Red Cloud. At age 10, Willa Cather moved to Nebraska and for 6 years, lived in Red Cloud where she graduated High School. Most of Willa Cather's books are about her experiences while living in Nebraska. Willa Cather is making a comeback today as a famous author. The Nebraska Division of Tour and Travel, rates Willa Cather in second place as a person or item that Nebraska is most known for. Because of this draw for the state, the Cather Foundation is able to attract many famous performers to Red Cloud. The Foundation boasts the largest number of historically registered buildings and property of any other famous writer in the United States and is an international organization. Yearly, the Foundation attracts 10-14,000 tourists which is impressive considering the population of Red Cloud is only 1100.



November 13—Elwyn Fitzke has been the president of the Nebraska Pork Producers for the last 2 years. He is the owner of Fitzke Farms in Glenvil, an 1100 acre farming operation. Elwyn talked to our club about the many changes that have come about in the pork industry since the 1950's. In the 1970's, people became aware of the problems caused by excess fat in our diets. Today's pork is 75% leaner than in the 1950's. Today's pork is as lean as chicken and is making a comeback in the market. The pork market also consumes 10% of the corn crop and 10% of the soybean crop in America and in 2007 the exports of pork were nearly \$2.75 billion.



November 20—2008 Hastings Kiwanis Farm Family of the Year. This year, we recognized the Brader family as the farm family of the year. In 1879, Henry Brader moved his family to a farm 7 miles south of Hastings and the farm has been in the family ever since. Darrell Nelson presented the award to Chuck Brader who proudly accepted on behalf of Riverview Farms Inc, and Brader Farm Partnership.



New Members Inducted



Franc E Wagner was inducted back into our club at the October 30th meeting. Welcome back Franc E!



Tim Groenseth is our newest Kiwanis member. Tim was inducted at our November 13th meeting. Welcome aboard Tim!

Kids Against Hunger.

A program of Feeding Children International

Kids Against Hunger® of Hastings can earn a donation every time you search the Internet and shop online!!!

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Search the web with Yahoo-powered GoodSearch.com and they'll donate a penny to your cause each time you search!

Shop at more than 600 GoodShop.com merchants including Amazon, Best Buy, Toys R Us, and others, and a percentage of each purchase will go to your cause!

FEATURED IN

The New York Times abc NEWS 60, THE OPRAH MAGAZINE THE WALL STREET JOURNAL FORTUNE

Great news! Kids Against Hunger of Hastings has been accepted by GoodSearch and GoodShop. Pass the word to everyone you know to use GoodSearch (powered by Yahoo!) whenever they make an internet search. Every search will earn 1¢ for KAH of Hastings. Also, by visiting GoodShop.com and using 1 of the 600 merchants listed there, a percentage of what is purchased, will be donated to KAH of Hastings. What does this mean for us? If only 1000 supporters make 2 searches a day and purchase \$500 worth of items from supporting merchants in a year's time, KAH of Hastings will earn \$22,300! Just imagine, that's almost 97,000 meals for hungry children worldwide, just by surfing the internet!

KIWANIS REWIND –A minute to look at the past.

By *Dave Kempf*

The first President of Kiwanis International elected from outside the United States was the third, Henry J. Elliott of Montreal, Quebec, who served in 1919-20. The first International President elected from outside the two founding nations of the US and Canada was Ian Perdriau AM who served in 1994-95.

Kiwanis Rewind trivia question of the month:

Ian Perdriau AM was a Kiwanis member from what country?

Answer to last month's question:

The Question Was: Richard Proudfit enlisted leading executives at several companies to formulate the KAH food packets. Can you name them?

Answer: Richard recruited top executives at Cargill, Pillsbury, General Mills, and Archer Daniels Midland to formulate the KAH food mix.

Prizes!!

Do you know the answer to this month's trivia question. Put your answer in the blue bucket and win prizes!!



UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fridays, 11:15am—Meals-On-Wheels, Mary Lanning Hospital
- 3rd Thursdays, 5:30pm—Red Cross Blood Mobile, 1st Congregational UCC
- Dec 13th 7:30am—K Mart Shopping Spree
- Dec 13th 10:00am-10:00pm—Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Dec 18th 11:25am and 12:00pm—Lunch with the children at Head Start in place of our noon meeting
- Dec 22nd 6:30pm—Gift wrapping at Clay County Fairgrounds
- Jan 3rd 8:30am—Kiwanis Bowling For Kids
- June 25-28th—Kiwanis International Convention 2009, Nashville

PRESIDENT'S MINUTE, Mary Peterson.....

President Peterson had the following reports:

- The signup sheets continue to go well although there does need to be some focus made to Meals on Wheels
- Circulated thank you cards for the Presbyterian Church and Mike McConell with Central Logistics for their donations to KAH.
- Received thank you cards from CASA and Cindy Strasheim.
- Received a monetary request from PAC2
- Received a letter from Kiwanis International requesting our club support the Foundation.
- Name badges were ordered and have arrived for new members. A number of blanks were also ordered and Hogans will engrave the blanks for other new members.



Take a ride on the Hastings Kiwanis Web Site

Stay up to date with the meetings you missed, check out the calendar for upcoming events, and more....

If you haven't surfed the Kiwanis Web lately, you need to check out what's new.

- **Kids Against Hunger of Hastings web site within our Kiwanis site, click the Kids Against Hunger button**
- **GoodSearch banners on all pages to raise funds for KAH Hastings**
- **Site map or table of contents page**
- **What's new page—lists changes made to the site and the date and time they were made**

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AKTION CLUB

Meetings are every 2nd & 4th Monday
Location: First Congregational United Church of Christ— 2810 West 7th St

Kids Against Hunger®

A program of Feeding Children International

Kids Against Hunger of Hastings has now successfully completed two open houses and a fundraiser kick off event that was held at the Adams County Fairgrounds. The BBQ luncheon raised \$2956 and Thrivent had matching funds of \$1600 for a total of \$4556 added to KAH of Hastings. The official number of those that signed up at the event was 287 although we believe we had many more than that as tables and chairs were setup for 400 and at one point we had almost a completely full house. Kiwanis members, Key Clubbers, and Aktion Club members all participated in packaging over 5000 meals. Members of the community were shown the simple process and also helped to contribute to the number of meals packed. Tim Strommer, a native of Hastings, was on hand from Kids Against Hunger International to help with our kick off. He also trained several of our members in the proper procedure to package life-saving meals for hungry children throughout the world. Thank you to all our members and the people of Hastings, for helping us make a difference in the battle to feed starving children all over the world!



Packed meals		
Oct. 30	1728 meals	8 Boxes
Nov. 8	2376 meals	11 Boxes
Nov. 9	5184 meals	24 Boxes
Nov. 13	436 meals	(P. Baptist) 2 Boxes
Nov. 20	2592	12 boxes
Nov. 22	2592	12 boxes

