

UC KIWANIS MINUTES

Date: November 11, 2009 7 pm
Location: The Blockey Pourhouse, 38th and Ludlow

Summary: Upcoming projects were reviewed, followed by discussions on the use of holiday gift wrapping money. Plans for the holiday party were discussed along with upcoming socials. Our present presented the first ever UC Kiwanis awards. After the official meeting our new officers were inducted.

Next Meeting November 23, 7pm, location TBD

UC Kiwanis Awards!

We would like to congratulate Mariza Shavelle on receiving the first ever UC Kiwanis President's Volunteer of the Year Award, and Jessica Dixon for receiving the UC Kiwanis President's Kiwanian of the Year Award. Mariza, as a member of two Kiwanis clubs among other service organizations, faithfully donates countless hours of her time at various projects and is actively involved in the PA District Circle K. Jessica Dixon, along with advising USP Circle K, spearheads our two most successful events each year: Take a Shot for Love and KICKS: Kiwanis International Charity Kickball Tournament. We'd like to recognize both of you for your stupendous efforts, and thank you for your devoted service!

Gift Wrapping Fund-raiser

This year we will be wrapping gifts at Barnes and Noble Books to raise money for Adopt a Family and our service fund. Please contact Missy to schedule available dates. We will be participating at the downtown and in Wynnewood.

Fairmount Park Commission Visit

Jessica was contacted by the Fairmount Park commission who wishes to visit our club to improve relationships with local volunteer groups. They will be joining us for a future meeting.

Holiday Party

This year's holiday party will be on Friday, December 11th at 1422 N 2nd St. at 8pm. The theme this year was decided to be Pie and Wine. Members are asked to buddy up into groups of two: one to bring a pie and the other to pare a bottle of wine with it. The club discussed inviting people from other service organizations and Kiwanis clubs. If you have any such individuals in mind, please contact Lou. Invitations will be sent out the week of Thanksgiving.

Socials

We are planning on having a ugly sweater fund-raiser at Paddy Whacks Pub on December 4th. Wear your favorite ugly holiday sweater and your donated cover gets you happy hour drink specials. The money we raise will go to benefit Ronald McDonald House. More info to follow, if interested please contact Jessica.

Youcie is planning a Holiday Happy Hour for the People's Emergency Center on December 2nd at the Blockey Pub from 6-8pm. Bring a new unwrapped gift for a free drink. Visit www.youcie.com to download the suggested gift list.

Upcoming Projects

I. **Achieving Independence Center Mentoring Orientations:**

Date: Ongoing

Location: 1118 Market Street, 2nd Floor

Contact: Jessica

Anyone interested in participating in the mentorship program must attend 1 orientation.

Orientations take place at the Center at 1118 Market St on the 2nd floor.

Dates: Wed Nov 11th – 5:30-7:30pm;

Sat Nov 14th 1:30-3:30pm;

Mon Nov 23rd 5:30-7:30pm

II. **Manna Kitchen Help**

Date: Wed Nov 11th 5:30-7:30pm

Location: 23rd and Ranstead

Contact: Sarah Z

III. **Inglis House**

Date: Sat Nov 14th 1pm-3pm

Location: 2600 Belmont Ave

Contact: Sarah Z

Volunteers are needed to help at a Pizza/Ice Cream Social for wheelchair bound residents of Inglis House. If interested please let Sarah know.

I. **InterPACK**

Date: Nov 12-14

Location: PA Countryland

Contact: Sarah or Mariza

We'll be cooking for the PA Circle Kers annual retreat. Sleep space available, contact Mariza.

IV. **Manna Thanksgiving Day**

Date: Thurs Nov 26th 9am-1pm

Location: 23rd and Ranstead

Contact: Sarah Z

Come help prepare a thanksgiving meal for those in need.

V. **Philabundance**

Date: Tues Dec 1st 6 pm -8 pm

Location: 3rd and W Berks, North Philly

Contact: Missy

We join Temple Circle K to help organize food at this north Philadelphia pantry. Project to recur monthly. Parking is available on site.

VI. **Gift Wrapping**

Date: Various days in December

Location: Barnes and Noble downtown or Wynnewood

Contact: Missy

Wrap gifts for book store patrons to raise money for Adopt and Family and the UC Kiwanis Service Fund.

VII. **Logan CDC Technology Center Volunteering**

Date: Ongoing

Location: 4542 N 11th Street

Contact: Lee

The Logan CDC is devoted to improving the quality of life for residents of the Logan area of Philadelphia, an area which has suffered. They are currently in the process of setting up a community technology center which would provide free access to computers and the internet to locals as well as hosting computer training and education classes. They need several volunteers to help maintain the center and teach classes. Specifically, they need volunteers to:

- Help supervise people while they use the computers and solve any problems they may have.
- To assist us with the maintenance of the computers and the computer network
- Teach classes to both children and adults who are interested in improving their computer skills

Upcoming Events

I. Region 7 meeting

Date: Sat December 12th

Location: TBD

Contact: Mariza

Meeting with other local Kiwanis clubs. Cost \$7, covers lunch.

II. Holiday Party

Date: Dec 11th 8pm-?

Location: Lou's Place at 1422 N 2nd St

Contact: Lou

Buddy up and bring a pie pared with a nice bottle of wine to celebrate this holiday season.

Attendees:

Mariza Shavell

Lee Fisher

Jessica Dixon

Sara Rubinstein

Louis Kratz

Missy Van Slett

Sarah Zulueta

2 Guests!