

Kiwanis

Mankato Kiwanis Diversity Club

NEWSLETTER

October 11th, 2007

MEMBER NEWS

You missed it! :< And we missed you! We had a really fun meeting this past Thursday. We had decorations on the tables and a prize drawing as part of "Good News". Our speaker was humorous and informative and we really really wish you were there with us! Maybe this Thursday? We are going to meet every Thursday, with a couple of exceptions. We will not meet on 10/25. Please read to the bottom for info on an important service project!

SPEAKER SCHEDULE

There has been a slight adjustment in Speaker schedules, so this week we will have two guest speakers from the Mankato United Way offices. Scott Fee will join us later in November for his topic.

Thursday October 11th will be Betsy Homan, United Way Resource Development Director, and Gwen Donev, United Way Project Manager and fellow Kiwanian.

They will show the 2008 campaign video and Betsy will give a little more information about the need in our community as well as the programs they support and their 2008 initiative. Gwen will then talk about the **Books for Kids program**, under which they send out 5000+ pieces of mail each month to children in the greater Mankato area to encourage early literacy and positive interaction between child & caregiver.

October 18th, our guest speaker will be Ed Waltman. He will present an overview of the November 6, 2007 \$1.5 million School Referendum.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Networking event!

October 23rd, we are all invited to meet at the YWCA with the Director and participants of Walking in Two Worlds. We will gather from 9 am to 11 am for those of you who are available. Please RSVP to Nancy at nancycp@charter.net.

Service opportunities:

1. Read to children in the Head Start program. Low time commitment and very much needed. There is a sign up sheet at each meeting.
2. Volunteer as a chaperone at youth dances or at Special Olympics for LEEP. Again there is a sign up sheet.