

The Mecklenburg Missile

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Kiwanis Club of Mecklenburg, Charlotte, Inc.
P. O. Box 33573, Charlotte, NC 28233-3573

Organized August 5, 1952
Missile Launcher: Bob Swanson

June 19, 2006

Attendance: 20 Members, 1 Guest

TODAY'S MEETING

If you weren't with us, you missed a good one! Mr. Wayne Weston, Mecklenburg County Director of Parks and Recreation was our speaker. He gave us a wealth of information about our local parks. For example, are you aware that there are 229 parks in Mecklenburg County, which total 17,889 acres? There are various categories of parks, the smallest being "Neighborhood Parks." These are less than 40 acres in size and do not provide parking or restrooms. They are intended to be "walk-in" facilities near where people live.



Mr. Weston pointed out that 1.4% of land mass must be set aside for nature preserves, as a means of protecting our environment.

Greenways: 185 miles will eventually connect Charlotte and all six major suburbs. And the old Shuffletown drag strip will become a major sports complex.

All in all, a most interesting program about the locality in which we live. Thanks, Wayne Weston! And thanks for the gift bags!!!

I once knew a man who said he knew some persons who were so biased that they wouldn't even listen to both sides of a phonograph record.

DIDJAKNOW?

1925: The Sacramento, California Kiwanis Club sponsors a club for "key boys" in the local high school. This first Key Club will eventually grow into the world's largest service organization for high school students, but the idea spread slowly for a decade, and mostly in California, before it "took off."

NEXT MEETING

Monday, July 10. Normally we would meet on Monday, July 3; but that being a holiday week end, we will meet instead a week later. Mark your calendar!

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Between now and next meeting, our two delegates, President Matt and President-Elect Mark, will have attended the International Convention in Montreal. We will expect a glowing report from them at our next meeting.

OUR WEB SITE

Our membership directories are updated and redesigned to present a cleaner appearance. The one called "Printable Directory" is identical in format to the paper edition you last received. It, too, is updated, and can be printed out on either a color or B&W printer.

Yes, you still need user name (meckmbr) and password (club03871) to access this part of the web site. This is in accordance with the policies of Kiwanis International which prohibits making club "mailing lists" available to any Tom, Dick, or Harry.

Let me know what you think of these new designs, and please give me any suggestions you have for improvements, changes, or additions to the web site. After all, the web site is for YOUR interest and benefit!

BERT HORNE

We're sorry to report that Bert has asked to have his name removed from our membership - WE HOPE just for the time being. His wife, Brenda, reports that he is better, but still has a long way to go to regain ability to do a lot of things he wants to do. You still have his address and 'phone number; send a card or give him call.

Meets 12:00 Noon, 1st & 3rd Mondays: Best Western Charlotte Uptown - 201 S. McDowell St.
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