

The Mecklenburg Missile

Comin' Atcha!

Kiwanis Club of Mecklenburg, Charlotte, Inc.

Organized August 5, 1952

P. O. Box 33573, Charlotte, NC 28233-3573

Missile Launcher: Bob Swanson

Meeting: Monday, February 2, 2009

Attendance: 18 Members & 4 Guests

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Dr. Robin Mogul (yes, Mark's better half) brought us some sobering thoughts on the subject of childhood obesity and the seriousness of this "disease."



She pointed out that in the Charlotte area schools only 1% of the students are considered physically fit - and most of those are athletes.

Drs. Robin & Mark Mogul Many of the children get little or nothing of real nutritional value to eat other than the free lunches they get in school - - and these are not the healthiest in the world, though they do show signs of improving.

2 out of 3 children are overweight, and 1 of every 5 is considered obese.

Dr. Robin, professionally, is a pediatric psychiatrist.

Thanks, Robin and Mark for a most interesting and thought-provoking program.

AMPUTATION

On Sunday evening, February 8, Dateline NBC aired a segment about leg amputation and prosthetic legs. It involved a medical doctor who was deciding whether or not to undergo this procedure on his injured left leg. All I heard LOUD and CLEAR in his deliberations was his reference to the *very high risk of infection*.

'Nuff said.

Said Mark Twain in 1866: "No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session."

HONORED:



Lt. Gov. Rachel relayed to us from the recent District Mid-Year Conference the honors for being designated a "Distinguished Club" for 2007/2008. All members contributed to this in one way or another; but we should THANK, especially, then-President John Downey and then-Secretary Bill Craemer.

CONGRATULATIONS to them (and to Us!).



Also recognized, by the Carolinas District Kiwanis Foundation, was Bob Swanson, who received their President's Award

BYLAWS

Kiwanis International makes changes to its Constitution and/or bylaws at almost every International Convention. Many of these changes are also applicable to individual Clubs, most of whom (including us) take their bylaws from KI's "Standard Form For Club Bylaws." Our current Club bylaws were adopted in 2001 and have not been updated since, despite numerous revisions from KI. Most of these have been in the category of "housekeeping." A revision is in order and proposed now. To adopt requires an affirmative vote of 2/3 of our Club members present at a regular meeting. First, our Board of Directors will be asked to consider, then make recommendation to the Club.

To read the proposed bylaws, please click on this URL:

<http://mecklenburgkiwanis.org/bylawsrev.pdf>

Meets 12:00 Noon, 1st & 3rd Mondays: Crowne Plaza Charlotte Hotel - 201 S. McDowell St.

Web Site: <http://www.mecklenburgkiwanis.org>