

The Mecklenburg Missile

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Kiwanis Club of Mecklenburg, Charlotte, Inc.

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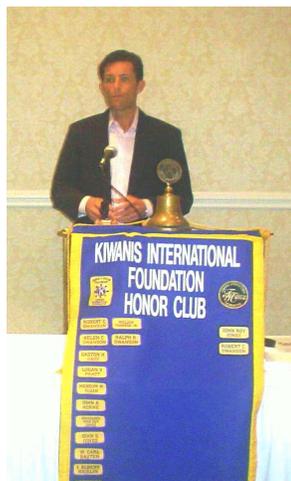
Missile Launcher: Bob Swanson

Meeting: Monday, February 28, 2011

Next meeting: Monday, March 7.

Today's Program

Louis Foreman, founder and CEO of Enventys. Ever heard of it? Maybe not. So, what is it? Enventys is an integrated product design and engineering firm on a worldwide scale. It has offices in Charlotte, North Carolina and Taiwan.



What do they do?
Enventys guides and helps innovators develop their products, all the way from inception to market - including obtaining patents.

Louis Foreman, himself, has patented 10 of his own inventions. And his firm is responsible for aiding in developing and filing of more than 400 more patent applications. He frequently buys and sells the firms with whom he has worked and helped along the process.

You might find his web site interesting, enlightening, and intriguing:

<http://enventys.com/>

Louis Foreman might be said to be the epitome of the American dreamer - whose dreams become realized! - - not that it isn't hard work and doesn't involve risk!

Isn't that the very definition of American free enterprise??

OBJECTS.....OBJECTIVES

Confused??? If you've been in Kiwanis just about any length of time, you have no doubt read or heard these words. Have you wondered why or when one is used over the other? And/or what do they mean - - in KIWANIS parlance?

OBJECTS

This refers to the six "Objects of Kiwanis" which you hear recited frequently and find printed in numerous places. This set of six was adopted by the 1924 International convention in Denver, Colorado. To this day not one word has ever been changed. Numerous attempts have been made to revise wording, and some very spirited discussions have ensued. But the end result has always been to leave well enough alone.

OBJECTIVES

This refers to brief statements of concerns, or stated goals, usually formulated by our International Board of Trustees. Ordinarily their purpose(s) would be to offer suggestions to Districts and Clubs in developing and implementing programs and/or activities to meet current needs, desires, or conditions.

CHAPTERS

Another often misused word in Kiwanis. We are not a fraternity - though sometimes we act like one. We have no secrets, and our CLUBS are not bound to adopt KI's programs or projects. We do have certain rules and regulations to which Clubs must adhere in order to remain in good standing. But Kiwanis Clubs are autonomous in that they choose projects, including fund-raising, for themselves. They are CLUBS, not Chapters!

Points to Ponder for 2011:

13. A dentist and a manicurist married. Problems developed. They fought tooth and nail.
14. With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
15. A boiled egg is hard to beat.

- -To be continued

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

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