

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, July 9, 2012

Attendance: 11 Members

Next Meeting: Monday, July 23

Today's Program

Meeting in groups at individual tables, much planning was accomplished for our September 22 Cow Chip Festival. Thanks to the generosity of Sam and Carolyn McMahon, the event will take place in their back yard once again.

A lot of work is to be done - some quite physical. And, as we are now a rather small Club, every able-bodied member must pitch in and help. So if someone calls you and asks for help, PLEASE SAY YOU WILL!

Right off the bat, tickets are now in our hands. But they won't do much good there. SELL 'EM!

Coming up: A SIGNIFICANT DATE

Our regular meeting on the first Monday in August will be August 6. Anybody recognize the significance of that date? Yep. Right. It's one day after the 60th anniversary of our Club's founding.

Looking back over the years, it's certainly fair to say that we've had a remarkable presence in our community. Among other activities, we sponsored travelogue programs for 38 years - and many times had capacity audiences in Ovens Auditorium. The community KNEW who Mecklenburg Kiwanis was!

Card of THANKS

My entire family - especially daughter Cindy Ragan, her husband Paul and son Daniel - THANKS each and every one of you for the outpouring of sympathy and your many prayers for us on the loss of our son and grandson. Believe me, it all helps.

Some of you know what it is to have a child or grandchild suddenly taken from you.. But God has been good to us. In the history of the Swanson and Ragan families we have never before had to deal with a sudden death via accident.

The expressions from so many friends have certainly helped sustain us. THANK YOU!

Cindy asked me to extend her very special THANKS to Mecklenburg Kiwanians for the most thoughtful card she received from Doug Dickison on behalf of all Mecklenburg Kiwanis members.

It's times like these that I say - again! - we Swansons have received far, far more from Kiwanis than we have contributed over the years. It puts lie to the old saying that one gets no more out of an organization than one puts in. Our Kiwanis friends literally around the world are "proof-of-that-pudding."

-----Bob Swanson

The first Kiwanis Club in the Carolinas District was completed on August 11, 1919, in Asheville, North Carolina. Charter membership was 100. The second Kiwanis Club in the Carolinas District was organized on August 27, 1919, in Charlotte; and the third on September 20 in Greenville, South Carolina. The Charlotte Club jokes that they were scheduled for #1, but the train carrying the organizers broke down in Asheville, so they had nothing to do for several days but organize a Club there! (Some versions have it as a snow storm - in August???? But then, it's a snow-job either way!)

More:

23. Diapers and Politicians should be changed often - - and both for the same reason.

24.. The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was now a small medium at large.

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Meets 12:00 Noon, 1st & 3rd Mondays: Villa Antonio Ristorante, 4707 South Boulevard
Web Site: <http://www.mecklenburgkiwanis.org>