

# 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

Meeting Monday, October 21, 2013 attendance: 6 members; 3 guests Next Meeting: Monday, November 4

## Today's Meeting

A summary of our Club's activities since its inception (August 1, 1952).

### FUND-RAISING

- Fun model riding railroad train
- Wally Fowler Gospel Sing
- Door-to-door selling light bulbs, brooms, night-lights, etc
- co-Sponsor Parade of Homes
- Travel & Adventure shows - Ovens Auditorium - 38 years.
- "Cow Chip Festival" - 11 years (and counting)

### CHARITABLE PROJECTS

- \* Alexander Home for Children - Building and Van
- \* Girl Scouts - more than \$20,000 over ten years
- \* Sewing classes at YMCA for underprivileged children
- \* American Legion Baseball
- \* Basketball, Track & Field, etc. at Johnston YMCA
- \* Boys Town - Cottage & Maintenance, plus
- \* Kiwanis Pediatric Cancer Fund - (ongoing)

### KIWANIS SPONSORED CLUBS

- ⊕ Key Clubs (in 5 High Schools)
- ⊕ Circle K Clubs (in 2 Universities)
- ⊕ AKTION Club

Some of the items indicated above as "Fund-Raising" actually could be classed as Community Service, too. Many patrons looked forward to these events as entertainment and culture.

Though we are now a small Club, we formerly had as many as 150 members. And we do feel quite proud of the beneficial impact we have offered to our community - and, through Kiwanis International - to the world at large.

## Club Officers

Our recent election of officers (for 2013/2014) left two vacancies: President-Elect and Vice President. At our Board meeting last week, Keri Brennan volunteered to fill the office of President-Elect. The Board enthusiastically endorses and nominates her for this position.

That leaves a slot open for a two-year term on the Board of Directors. The Board enthusiastically nominates Chet Helt to fill this position. Chet has agreed to serve if elected.

Our bylaws provide that such vacancies be filled by Board nomination, then Club election after at least one week's notice to members.

Please consider this the required notice. President Valerie plans to call for the elections at our next Club meeting, Monday, November 4.

## Meeting Place

Having heard from numerous members, and after considerable discussion last week, your Board has decided to TRY a new location for our regular meetings. So the November 4 meeting will be held at City Tavern, in SouthPark area. Watch for coming details.

## About KI (a continuing saga)!

**1975** More new KIWANIS Clubs built than in any previous year. Key Club observes 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary., Builders Club program is launched. First Clubs are built in Cayman Islands and Venezuela. **1976** tops record for new Club building for second consecutive year. A member from Europe is seated on the International Board of Trustees - a first. First Clubs are built in Guadeloupe, Malaysia, Nigeria, and Suriname. ....**To be Continued**

Meets 12 Noon, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays: Villa Antonio Ristorante, 4707 South Boulevard

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