



Kiwaniis®

GREEN RIVER KIWANIS

Green River Kiwanis meets Wednesday mornings at 7:30 a.m. It is currently meeting via Zoom and in person at Epworth UMC, 4455 Epworth Rd., Newburgh, IN

Greenriverkiwanis.org
www.twitter.com/grkiwanis
[GRK Foundation/Amazon Smile](#)

Join Green River Kiwanis meeting via ZOOM. Please only use the link you get via email weekly by Bob Naas. If you are not receiving this, contact Bob or president Dick LeDuc.

December 28, 2022

This morning's speaker was Taylor Houchin, telling us about Parent Buddies, an offshoot of Chemo Buddies. In 2017, married with a 7 year old daughter, Taylor became pregnant with a son. During this time she was diagnosed with non-Hodgkins lymphoma, and eventually received a stem cell transplant in Indianapolis. She asked her daughter how she was handling all this and was told how hard it was to have a parent with cancer. She was familiar with the support given by Chemo Buddies, that no one has to go through chemo alone, and thought a similar support group for kids with parents being treated for cancer would be useful. They have special activities about every other month, such as family game night, laser tag, mini-golf, ice skating, etc., an activity that gets kids out of the house and gives them something fun to focus on. It generally supports kids ages 5-12, and currently has about 21 families who belong. It's

all about creating community support for young kids as their parents fight cancer.

Santa auction update: the total amount is now \$3610, thanks to some outstanding monies that have now been received. The Santa Clothes Club is the beneficiary. Thanks go to all GRKiwanians, auction chair **Terry White**, auctioneer **Ed Ziemer**, treasurer **Kim Higgins**, and all of Santa's helpers.

We'll have more of a **poinsettia** update later, but GRKiwanians sold 2628 plants this year! This reminded **Jack Arney** to suggest that you follow up with a thank you note for everyone who purchased plants from you, as well as for those who contributed auction items. Buyers need to understand how much they are appreciated, as well as be informed as to the type of projects their monies go to support. I believe **Jack** is crafting some sample letters to use.

Salvation Army bell ringing....GRKiwanian efforts helped raise \$1015.59!



GRK Officers /Staff

President	Dick LeDuc
President-Elect	Martha Seal
Vice President	Dan Robinson
Treasurer	Kim Higgins
Secretary	Bob Bock
Newsletter Editor	Mona Meyer
Newsletter Publisher	Bob Naas

Thanks to the University of Evansville and the Green River Kiwanis Membership Committee, all Green River Kiwanis members and as many guests as you want to bring are invited to attend a [UE Aces Men's Basketball game](#). The game date/time is [January 14 at 3:00 p.m.](#) All tickets are free. Obviously, we would like you to invite anyone that might be a candidate to join our Kiwanis club, but we are not limiting you to that alone. You can bring spouse, children, grandchildren, friend, or neighbor. We want you to enjoy the afternoon and root the Aces to a victory over Valparaiso.

There will be a sign-up sheet at each GRK meeting, up until the ticket request deadline of January 4. If you can't make a meeting and want to attend, you may contact Don Apple via email at dapple2055@gmail.com. Please indicate your name and total number of tickets you are requesting. Deadline for all requests is noon on January 4. If you don't get your tickets at a GRK meeting, they will be available at the will-call window on game day.

GRK is invited to shop at the Columbia Sportswear Employee Store from Monday, December 19th - Sunday, January 22nd!

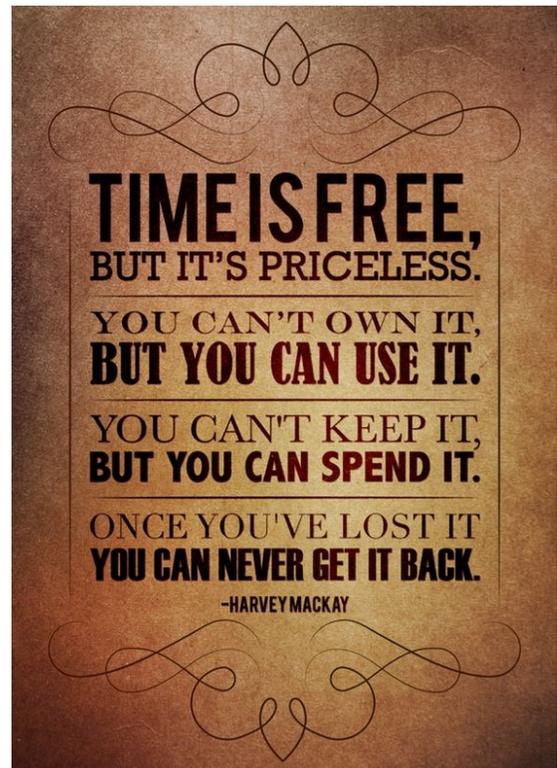
Columbia Employee Store Perk Details:

For store access, please bring your group's digital PDF invitation (that shows barcode at bottom), printed or shown from mobile device + proof of affiliation (business/membership card, badge, pay-stub, work email signature, uniform, etc.) + personal photo ID. Store Pricing: all product in store is current season merchandise and is priced up to 50% off regular retail pricing Brands: Columbia Sportswear (including PFG & PHG), SOREL, Mountain Hardwear & prAna Products: Apparel, Footwear, Accessories (hats, socks, lunch bags, etc.) & Equipment (backpacks, sleeping bags, coolers, etc.) for Men, Women & Kids (regular and extended sizes) Invitation is valid for you + 4 guests each time you visit. Year-Round Columbia Employee Store access for all Military & First Responders - no pass required with valid proof. Senior Shopping every Tuesday - no pass needed for ages 65+ with valid photo ID

Dan Oates reported that his wife has undergone 2 of her 6 cancer treatments and is doing well. He thanked GRKiwanians for their prayers, which will certainly continue.

Keep your eye out for announcements of BUG programs at Fairlawn, Holy Spirit, and Thompkins schools, January 20 and 24. I'll provide specifics soon, probably in the next newsletter.

Thought of the week, courtesy of **Lois Patton**:



*Next week's speaker
will be our own
Ken McWilliams,
providing an update
on the
Evansville
real estate market*

