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Planning for 2008-2009 Kiwaniis Theme: *Reach Out and Reach Up*

SPECIAL EMPHASIS AND PROGRAMS

- **IMAGE**
Wearing logo apparel
- **MEMBERSHIP**
 1. **MMMM: Midnight Madness Membership Marathon**
I want to encourage all Clubs to install members in the first 24 hours of the new Kiwanis year.
 2. **SPECIAL GUEST DAY**
Every Club should have a special Membership Drive. The success of this program is remarkable.
 3. **DIVERSITY**
Kiwaniis membership in each Club should be a mirror image of their community.
- **SPECIAL PROJECTS**
 1. **KIWANIS AT YOUTH ATHLETIC EVENTS**
Every community has its own youth athletic events and leagues, so let's show our support by offering our services to work with the youth league(s) within each community and volunteer to assist.
 2. **HATS AND HUGS**
Collect hats and hugs and share them with the children in your communities.
HATS: Gather hats of all kinds, decorated or plain, all types for boys and girls. Even have parties to decorate and share your feelings while you are doing the decorating.
HUGS: Gather all types and sizes of stuffed animals and hug them real tight. Have your Club members hug them at your meeting.

Have your children, grandchildren, and sponsored youth give them hugs... this is VERY important.

Now that you have your Hats and Hugs, what do you do with them? All our communities and hospitals have children that need to cover a bald head or just need to feel pretty. Your community might have migrant workers or family shelters where a hat or a hug would feel really good.

Sometimes police officers go into situations where children are caught up in a parental fight and are crying and scared. You can help by providing a "hug" and the child will know they are being hugged by someone who cares.

3. **SERVICE PROJECT A MONTH**

The biggest complaint I hear from new members is "services were few and far between." I'm suggesting a service project a month.

Examples: reading at schools, libraries, etc; clean-ups: parks and beaches (they can use it anytime); helping another non-profit; and, reaching out to persons in need (painting, serving food, building a ramp).



Everyone Loves A Bargain

I love shopping and even more, I love finding what I'm looking for at a bargain price. I recently read an article in one of my educational magazines about bargain hunting and the value of paying organizational dues. It made me think of the bargain we receive from paying our Kiwanis dues.

Do you realize that for the bargain price of your International and District Dues you receive ALL of the following? The opportunity to:

- ☺ participate in a prestigious global organization dedicated to making the world a better place one child and one community at a time.
- ☺ meet and network with fascinating people from diverse backgrounds.
- ☺ involve yourself in heartwarming projects that make an impact in your community and the world.
- ☺ mentor students from elementary school through college to help them develop leadership skills and a lifelong passion for volunteering.
- ☺ travel to interesting places for conferences and conventions.
- ☺ receive leadership training and practice.
- ☺ read a world-class International magazine and an awesome District publication.
- ☺ know and associate with outstanding people who care about others.
- ☺ move into a new community and already have lots of friends.

And most importantly...

- ☺ change your life while touching the lives of many others.



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