

Kiwanis Klarion –November 4, 2024



Meetings are 1st, 3rd and 4th Thursdays at noon, 2nd Thursday at 5:30pm At the Clarion Inn, Elmira

**Next Meeting – November 14 – 5:30pm – Operation Christmas Child
November Birthdays**

Welcome Table: Nov 14– **Sue Mower**
Invocation – **Katrina Nichols**

Program

Today's Program was Marc Witt, General Manager of the Elmira Pioneers which is in the Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League. Marc began his career in Elmira with the Elmira Jackals and then moved to Oklahoma City and then to the Columbus Blue Jackets and then to Binghamton to the Binghamton Senators hockey team. He began working again with Robbie Nichols (his father-in-law) in the summers for the Pioneers and then became General Manager.

All the players must be NCAA eligible and range in age from 18-24. Eligible players must have remaining college eligibility or be a high-level graduate with MLB scout interest for the late July MLB draft. Graduated high school seniors that will attend a two-year or four-year college in the fall are also eligible, subject to Perfect Game USA approval, with a limit of four per team. The team plays 23 away games and 26 home games per season. The Pioneers have made it to the championship game for the past two years only to lose in the final game. Can-USA sports which owns the Pioneers also owns the Batavia Muckdogs and the Niagara Falls Americans which are in the same league. Baseball has been at Dunn Field since 1888. The attendance at the games ranks the Pioneers as the 6th highest in attendance of the 169 teams!



Officers 2024-2025

President – Mary Schuehler
President Elect-
Vice President – Mark Wayne
Secretary – Alison Mandel
Treasurer – Joe Klaiber
Immediate Past President – Sue Mower

Upcoming Programs:

November 14- Packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child

November 21 – Randy Matthews – BMX Racing

November 28 – Happy Thanksgiving!

Christmas Trees are here for the Festival of Trees on December 7. If you want a tree to decorate, please Alison Mandel. (alison.mandel@gmail.com)

**KIWANIS CLUB OF ELMIRA
PRESENTS THE
Festival of Trees**
December 7th 1:00-4:00pm
The Hibernians - 701 Kinyon Street Elmira

Quilt Raffle \$5
50/50 Raffle
Door Prizes
Free Entry

Baskets and Decorated Trees! \$10 for 25 chances

The Kiwanis of Elmira is part of a global organization of members dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

Questions? Contact:
Sue Mower at sweetypy_55@yahoo.com

Here's What else you Missed Today.....

50-50:

Peter Johnson won the 50/50 of \$6. Pot is at \$149. Neither Katrina Nichols from last week nor Peter Johnson drew the King!

Rays Pay Day:

Noah Grasso would have won the \$30
Next week it will be \$35

DUES for 2024-2025

Treasurer Joe Klaiber sent out the dues notices Although Kiwanis International raised the dues by \$25 the club voted at the September Board meeting to only raise them \$10 for 2024-2025.

They will go from \$130 to \$140 per year! Of the \$140, the club only retains \$9 per member to go to our administrative budget. The dues breakdown that we pay to Kiwanis International is:

International Dues & Newsletter - \$85
Insurance - \$22
NY District Dues - \$24
Totaling \$131.00

DUES ARE DUE!

Happy Dollars

Sue Mower – happy for the presentation and the support that Marc & the Pioneers give to Wreaths Across America

Sharon Sitrin-Moore – Happy for the speaker. Her daughter Sarah's friend played in the Cape Cod League for the Falmouth Commodores, and she got to attend a game. The Cape Cod League is one of the nation's premier collegiate summer leagues, the league boasts over one thousand former players who have gone on to play in the major leagues.

Ron Allison – for the presentation! Ron talked about Sal Maglie who played for the Pioneers and went on the play in the Major Leagues.

Mark Wayne – for the Division Meeting last night in Bath and for playing golf with Steve Mower at the Bath Country Club before the meeting.

Dick Pirozzolo – he said that he played at Dunn Field for EFA when he was in high school against Southside Ernie Davis was the First Baseman. He wouldn't tell what year it was!

Gordy Schuehler – for his great niece's soccer team that will play in the regional soccer tournament on Saturday again Notre Dame!

Arena Ticket Scanning -

Hockey Season begins on October 4 –

November 22 – Team 5 – Steve Hoffmann

November 23 – Team 1 – Alison Mandel

November 29 – Horseheads

November 30 – Team 2 – Ron Allison

ALL GAMES ARE AT 7PM -DOORS OPEN AT 6PM