

Kiwanis

Stamford Kiwanis Club

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A small but happy group enjoyed the last *weekly* meeting of the Stamford Kiwanis Club for the summer (and possibly more)

That's right, we go bi-weekly starting July 11th.

That means no meeting next week. Our summer meetings are July 11th (with a board meeting) July 25th, August 8th (with a board meeting) and August 22nd.

We celebrated Kiwanis Family milestones this week with Brian McKeown's Mom turning 102 and Bernice and Harry Sauer celebrated 67 years of marriage.



Congrats Mom and Dad

Jenny Graham gave a great report on the special Division meeting for new executive last weekend. She gave special accolades to the instructor, our own Brian McKeown.

We missed a Sauder last night (only 2 of 3). Our best wishes to Bill Sr.

Our guest speaker this week was Janet Moretto of the Hope Furniture Bank. She acknowledged that a lot of folks haven't heard of them but her charitable agency has been helping Niagara residents get affordable furniture since 2006. She explained that a furniture bank is much like a food bank. 22 different agencies refer clients to them when they are in need. An individual can have his home furnished for \$95 and a family (any size) can for \$235. Furniture is all donated by individuals and business's (especially hotels). They will pick up used furniture at your home for just \$25 and you will receive a charitable tax receipt for your donation.

Janet told of many families who spend years "camping" in their homes and apartments because of the lack of affordable furniture. The Hope Furniture Bank can change their situation dramatically.



Janet was thanked by Brian



ECCDC has invited us to their Open House on Schamon Pkway Wednesday July 6th, from 4 to 7pm.

Our Boys and Girls Club will have its Grand Opening August 13th. Bill Walters said Stamford got a good "plug" from them in the recent Niagara This Week.

*Don't forget to celebrate Canada Day.
Hope to see you all back on July 11th for Kiwanis Fun,
Fellowship and Food.*