



Acknowledging Acts of Kindness Club Newsletter

October 2020

It looks like there is a little light at the end of the tunnel. It's been very frustrating to me, and probably to you too, that we haven't been able to meet for several months. We had some great momentum as a club when the lockdown hit, and I sure hope we can get this back. As someone once said, "A setback is a setup for a comeback".

The good news is that we will have a live meeting on Thursday, Oct 8th at our normal time, 12:30 to 2:00. This will take place in the picnic pavilion behind Bacall Recreation Center. In November we will move inside to our regular room. Masks are not required for outside meetings but feel free to bring one if you feel more comfortable. You will need a mask if you want to enter the building. Wear your club shirt if you have one. We will be practicing social distancing as well.

There are a few announcements planned, but the overall goal of this meeting is renew the excitement we had when everything closed down. Bring a smile on your face and some ideas for how we can accomplish this.

New Members

Even without the ability to meet we have gained at least 8 new members, bringing us to 91. Please welcome our newest members, Alice Mellon (Collier), Cindy Dillon (Polo Ridge), and Mary McLean (Pinellas).

Sonny's Barbecue

In our September Zoom meeting we were joined by **Kennon Adkinson, the Chief Kindness Officer of Sonny's Barbecue**. Sonny's BBG has some very interesting programs to stimulate kindness with their employees and customers. He has agreed to share this with our members and we are working to have this take place in a few weeks. This event will be at Sonny's BBG in Sumter Landing and we will send out a separate notice for it. You can learn more about this at [this site](#).

Our Board of Directors

We have added a new position to our Board of Directors, Website Advisor. Tweet Coleman who was part of its design team has agreed to fill this position. Tweet is a new member with a lot of energy and great ideas, and will be a valuable asset to our team.

Our Secretary, Amy Donato, has had to back out for personal reasons so we are looking for someone to replace her. Let us know if you are interested. And thank you, Amy, for all your help.

Our Website and Facebook sites

We have an exciting new website that comes with the ability to easily make changes and additions. Explore it when you get a chance. If you have any suggestions for changes and additions please let us know at (aaokclub@gmail.com). Also, feel free to contribute to our blog on any thoughts you may have on kindness by sending them to this address. All of our newsletters will also appear on this website.

We also have a Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/AcknowledgingActsOfKindness>

Check it out, give it a big like, and share it with as many as you can! You will find a lot of interesting examples of kindness on this page.

Club Shirts

We have a limited supply of club shirts for anyone interested. The T-shirts are just \$10 each and the Polo Shirts are just \$20 each. This is a great buy and the money goes right into our treasury. We will have these available at the meeting. Also, the [Zazzle Kindness Store](#) has some interesting items (mugs, shirts, hats, masks, etc) and 10% of the costs of these will go into our treasury.

Nametags

We have magnetic nametags available for members. These are just \$6 each and can be ordered through our Membership Chair, [Carol Cholette](#) . Carol can also take your order at our meeting.



Stay safe, and we hope to see you all next week. Lindsay Collier

The best way to cheer yourself up is to try to cheer someone else up. – Mark Twain