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Small army of Kiwanians handles ticket taking at Sidney schools athletic events



[Photo credit: **Bill Vander Weele**]

Tami Christensen captains a small army of Sidney Kiwanians that handles ticket taking at Sidney schools athletic events. Get a load of all the troops: **Alan Seigfried, Billie Hillesland, Brandon Taylor, Brian McGinnis, Bryce Baker, Cheryl Moran, Chris Hillesland, Clay Moran, David Seitz, Dianne Swanson, Elaine Stedman, Garth Kallevig, Gary Schoepp, Gina Hecky, Jackie Laqua, Jenna Donahue, Jessie Chamberlin, Joe Bradley, Joel Krautter, Jolene Baxter, Joyce Kallevig, Kali Godfrey, Karen Schoepp, Keith Bostrom, Kerry Reitz, Larry Christensen, Leif Anderson, Leslie Messer, Lisa Gorder, Loren Kutzler, Luke Savage, Marvin Steadman, Michele Herres, Randy Johnson, Rick Norby, Robb Pulver, Shane Gorder, and Tami Christensen.**

Ticket Taking: Why and How? By **Tami Christensen**

Why does the Kiwanis Club of Sidney take tickets at the High School sporting events?

The only fundraising a club can do for their administrative expenses has to be done by its own members. Dues can offset all expenses or we can find projects that only our members do. We do ticket taking for the High School to raise money to pay rent, send members to conventions, office expenses etc.

Ticket taking is a very easy activity. The first people there pick up the money, tickets, programs etc. from the office. At the events where there is more than one gate the office supplies us with two of everything. Per the request of the school we pull the tickets and keep them to turn back into the office. When the last shift is done someone from the school picks up the money.

What does our fundraising do? Here are some examples.



The Sidney Kiwanis Club raises funds from which we provide financial support to the needs of children in our community and the world.

Examples of **local** financial support we provide include: Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids, 4-H, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Youth Rodeo, Our Christmas winter gear for the schools, Middle School awards, Christmas Coalition., Boys and Girls Club of Richland County, and MBI (Montana Behavior Initiative).

“Morning Star” Christmas tree and its lovely decorators

The best looking members of our club braved the cold to decorate the tree Kiwanis donated to the Parade of Trees for the Boys and Girls Club. Here is a photo of the “Midnight Star” tree and its lovely decorators.

New Members bless our club and the children

Our club is blessed to receive new members who join us in service to the children of our community and the world. We welcome **Becky Cassidy**, **Brandon Taylor**, and **BreeAnn Messer**.

Examples of **district** financial support we provide include: Circle K, Key Club, K-Kids, and Builders Club.

Honorariums given in the names of our program speakers to: Unicef, Parade of trees, Vision of Hope, and Alta Care.

We also provide **books** to the nursery at the Sidney Health Center, and contributions to the Major Emphasis Project of Kiwanis International, the **Eliminate Project**, a global campaign to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT).

