



Kiwanis Club of Jackson

"Serving the Children of the World"

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Carol Zuchowski asked me last fall what theme I would

choose for my year as president. I thought about the two things that connected me to the club and keep me intrigued: our mission and our members. I chose these words:

Good People Doing Great Work on Behalf of Children and our Community

Watching you these past 4 months has confirmed my theme, and I see it played out in so many ways:

• You volunteer for important programs like Chili Golf and Kids Against Hunger. In fact, 10 of you said you'd help kids package food when asked at the January 14th meeting

 \cdot $\,$ You buy nuts and candles not because you need them but because they allow our club to serve children

• You tune into a Kiwanis board meeting to stay in touch with what's happening and to add your perspective

You take on one more task or join one more committee even though you're already busy

 \cdot Best of all, you perform countless acts of service that no one knows about. You take care of things without fanfare, being asked, or rewarded

Each of these examples happened just in the last 30 days. A snapshot of what happens all year long in the Greatest Service Club in Jackson

It occurred to me that we invite interesting people to speak to our Club every Friday, but we may know little about our fellow members. Every few weeks, we invite a member to talk about their life and let the rest of the Club know more about them, something we call "Member Spotlight". It's a simple setup; usually one member is chosen to interview the member being profiled. Questions and topics can be discussed in advance or left to chance- your choice.

Would you like to be featured on an upcoming edition of Member Spotlight? If so, please contact me at <u>chad.p.noble@gmail.com</u> or 787-2626.

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KIWANIS NEWS

Kiwanis Roster - Last Call for Roster Change Information

Please contact Joe Wolfe 517-740-3008 or joewolfe1948@gmail.com if you have any changes or updates of your personal information in our Kiwanis roster booklet. Roster booklet will go to print on 2/10."

<u>Kiwanis Disc Golf Sign</u>



Head south on Fourth Street and drive through the round-a-bout near the **Kiwanis Disc Golf** location. At the first turn of the round-a-about, at the corner of Hickory and Fourth, you will see our beautiful new sign; you can't miss the bright colored discs.

*Lettering will be added as the weather warms up and a "Ribbon Cutting Ceremony" is planned for spring.

**Be on the lookout for the Disc Golf Clean-up Day scheduled for spring 2022.

<u>36th Annual Chili Golf Classic</u>

Congratulations to Bob Johnson and his amazing team of volunteers for another successful winter golf event. Volunteers collected money for our sponsors, served chili and hot dogs, sold and separated 50/50 tickets, sold lottery tickets, registered golfers, stood outside for Vegas hole and starters. There was set up and clean up and everything in-between!! A big thank you to everyone involved!! Check out photos of the event on the Kiwanis Facebook page and the photo gallery at <u>https://jtv.tv/36th-annual-kiwanis-chili-golf-classic-1-29-22-photo-gallery/</u>

More information to follow about this winter fundraiser!

"Service Club Challenge"

Jim and Beth Philo are organizing a Red Cross Blood Drive for Monday, April 4, 2022, at the St. John's United Church of Christ (Mechanic & Biddle Streets). It will be promoted as a **"Service Club Challenge"** blood drive, and the Red Cross will need some of our members to help from 10am to 4pm. *More information to follow!!*

Kiwanis Foundation

Your Club and Foundation work together to do more for children needing our help.

This year your Kiwanis Club is projected to support many worthy projects. We raise this money from the Flag Project, Newspaper Sale, Chili Golf, and other fundraising activities. As a rule, your Club desires to give what we raise each year. Our goal is to support programs, not build up a reserve.

Your Kiwanis *Foundation* is projected to give an **additional** sum (it changes every year) to the same, and other, worthwhile projects that support children. This money comes from interest earned on the account balance. Your Foundation is an endowment, which means the principal stays intact and only the interest is spent. It is also permanent; it will benefit children and Jackson forever.

Started in 1994, the Kiwanis Foundation of Jackson has grown by contributions from, and in memory of, generous Kiwanians. Your Foundation has its own board of directors who manage the fund and make decisions where to give its support.

If and when you choose, donations to the Kiwanis Foundation of Jackson are an easy and meaningful way to remember important people in our lives—and help children. You can donate <u>online</u> or by mailing a check payable to <u>Kiwanis Foundation of Jackson</u> to P.O. Box 1426, Jackson, MI 49204.

"What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others remains and is immortal". Albert Pine

Chad

February Calendar of Events



Wednesday, February 2 – Zoom Board Meeting/Noon

Friday, February 4 - Rick Mills Estate Planning

Friday, February 11 – Shelia Drewry Red Cross Blood Services

Wednesday, February 16 - Zoom Board Mtg/Noon

Thursday, February 17 – Kids Against Hunger Parkside Middle School

Friday, February 18 - Member Interview

Friday, February 25 – Ed Wolfe (Hillsdale Kiwanis Member) – American Heart Association

February Birthdays



February 17 - Jeff Sekerke February 28 - Carol Zuchowski

There are nuts available to purhase for a gift or for yourself!! Contact Linda Hayes @ 517.474.2074 to place your order!

