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**NEWSLETTER
EDITOR**
CAROL ZUCHOWSKI

Dear fellow Kiwanians,

This past year has gone by in the blink of an eye. It seems like it was just yesterday that Chad was reminding me that next year I would be in his shoes, taking over as president. With being the club's treasurer for many years, I thought I knew exactly what I was getting myself into. Let me tell you, it is a completely different experience actually becoming president, but I have felt supported every step of the way by all of you.

I joined Kiwanis about ten years ago, shortly after my first child was born. For me it only felt natural to join an organization that focused on children. It was incomprehensible to me that we have children in our community that are not loved and taken care of, and I wanted to be part of changing that. Every child should be cherished. My plan for the upcoming year is for our club to continue to thrive and grow so we can continue to make children feel cherished.

Two years ago, Jim started the process of taking an in depth look at our club by completing a member survey. Chad followed this up by working to make members feel valued and focused us becoming a family who supports and takes care of each other. I think it is time to build upon what we've learned and to expand our horizons from just looking inward to also looking out.

Over the next year I have four goals I would like to accomplish to help our club thrive. The first goal is to complete a community analysis. This analysis will identify unmet needs in our community by having conversations with community leaders, non-profits, and religious organizations. Through these conversations, I expect we will identify potential new projects and uses for our funds that we were not aware of before. This goal also has the added benefit of identifying and targeting community leaders to share our Kiwanis experiences with. It is these conversations that gain us members.

The second goal for this upcoming year is to fully integrate the Jackson Northwest and Jackson Kiwanis clubs into one successful club by merging our historical ideologies and projects into one stronger club. Part of this process will be to review each of our donations and projects and determine the impact that they are having on our community. From here we can determine if our time and funds are being put to the best use.

My third goal is to update and increase our online presence by modernizing our website and increasing our posts to social media. The reason I chose this goal is that we need to have a professional and active appearance in our community so that when we interact with potential new members, donors, and community groups we look serious and professional. Our community needs to know what we are doing and the value we add to Jackson. We may have fun and fellowship, but our work is important, and Jackson needs to know it.

My last goal comes out of my many years of being Treasurer of our organization. While the balances of both our administrative and project accounts are sufficient to cover all our current needs, our spending has exceeded our revenue for both accounts as our membership has declined and some of our fundraisers have either been eliminated or drastically reduced. For us to continue to provide the same level of service we need to identify and implement ways to our revenue and decrease our costs to bring our donations and revenues in balance. This goal will allow us to thrive financially into the future.

HAPPY KIWANIS NEW YEAR

The Kiwanis Installation Dinner was a wonderful celebration of our club and its members. Congratulations to the newly elected officers and directors for the 2022-2023 year.



Mary Lou McFadden Honored



Mary Lou McFadden was honored at Michigan Stadium for her 25 years of service at the Big House! The University is lucky to have such a dedicated and enthusiastic team member! **Congratulations Mary Lou! Go Blue!**

DICTIONARIES

Dictionaries are on their way! Our Dictionary project expanded with the merger of the Northwest and the Jackson Kiwanis clubs. We now serve 21 schools in 7 different communities in Jackson County. Our dictionaries look different this year, but the new dictionary is a better fit for third graders. Please join us immediately after the Kiwanis meeting on Friday, Oct. 7 at Joe's house (1958 Elmhurst). For our newer members, each dictionary we give out we is stamped on the inside cover with our logo. We will need a lot of help since we have 1,464 Dictionaries to stamp. If you would like to help stamp or deliver dictionaries, please contact Eileen at Eileen.lehnert@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- October 6, 2022 – Preemie Pals Workday (10am – 4pm @ Saline American Legion Post 322)
- October 8, 2022 – People for the Parks & Trails (Painting the Pavilion at Lions Park @ 10am)
- October 13, 2022 – JAXPO (Speak with Chad Noble about signing up)
- October 29, 2022 – People for the Parks & Trails (Mt. Evergreen Cemetery @ 10am)
- October 31, 2022 – Halloween Party at Kiwanis Park

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARTY



Please join us on October 31 st between 5-5:30pm to set up for our Annual Halloween Party. Each year, we decorate Kiwanis Park and give away Candy, Cider and Donuts to the trick-or-treaters that stop by the park. This year we will have 90 dozen donuts from Hinkley's Bakery to give away. Please share our event on Facebook (<https://fb.me/e/28cqAG9EV>) and we hope to see you there!

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday, December 2nd - Annual Christmas Party/Open House at Nate Mahan's 6 - 9 pm – No Noon Meeting
- Friday, December 9th - Annual Newspaper Sale Skit with Salvation Army's Red Kettle
- Friday, December 16th – Annual Newspaper Sale – Locations will be announced in November

KIWANIS CANDLES

Attention all candle buyers!
Our favorite Kiwanis Candles will be available again this year, same price \$20/ea. One new fragrance this year, "Sunflower Dream!" See Mary Lou to place your order starting at the October 7th Friday meeting! I will have samples of all the fragrances for your enjoyment!

Thanks,
Mary Lou

KIWANIS NUT SALE

Kiwanis Nuts have been ordered and will be arriving sometime toward the end of October. So, eat those nuts in your freezer and get ready to buy more more cans!

Thank you,
Linda Hayes



**Kiwanis Club
Christmas Party!**
Come join family and friends for food and fun!! 2 Years Running

Friday, December 2nd, 6:00-9:00pm

- Please bring your kids and spouse!
- Great food from Cascades Manor House
- Wine, beer, and cocktails 🍷
- Christmas sweaters encouraged!
- Ping pong and pool
- Christmas carols 🎵

Nathan & Katie Mahan's house – 1751 Probert Rd., Jackson, MI 49203
**Please RSVP by text or phone to Nathan Mahan by November 26th
517-262-4634**
We hope to see you there!!

Special thanks to Joe & Judy Wolfe for their support!

Annual Newspaper Sale

Our 104th annual Newspaper Sale will be held on Friday, December 16th. Members will be assigned various locations and asked to work for an hour and a half. The newspapers, newspaper bags, and Kiwanis vests will be available at the Manor House from 10am on the 16th. Lunch will be served from 11:30am to 2pm. Our goal is \$10,000 we have to maximize our manpower at all locations. Dress warm and put on your smile – 400 kids need shoes and boots!

Gold and Silver Club

A personal donation to the newspaper sale is always a good way to start! Beginning in October, for \$100 donations (gold club) or \$50 donations (silver club) will be going around at the meetings. If you cannot attend the meetings, please email me at joewolfe1948@gmail.com and tell me you would like to make a personal donation to support the shoes and boots program. The Lord loves a cheerful giver!!!

Joe Wolfe
517-740-3

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October Newsletter

2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Dave Mahon's Birthday	3	4 October	5 Board Meeting via Zoom* @ Noon All Members are Welcome!	6 PREMMIE PALS WORKDAY 10 – 4:00 Saline American Legion	7 Friday Noon Meeting TBD & Dictionary Stamping at Joe's	8 PEOPLE FOR THE PARKS – Painting the Pavilion at Lions Park 10 am
9	10	11	12 Phil Berkemeier's Birthday	13 JAXPO	14 Friday Noon Meeting Lisa Sweizer – Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan	15
16 Kiwanis Golf Marathon Hankerd Hills Golf Course	17 10/16 Mary Berkemeier's Birthday	18	19 Board Meeting via Zoom* @ Noon All Members are Welcome!	20	21 Friday Noon Meeting Catherine McLaughlin Brechtelsbauer – MLK Diversity	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Kiwanis Youth Protection Program & Challenger Day Committee Meeting	29 PEOPLE FOR THE PARKS – Mt. Evergreen Cemetery 10 am
30	31 KIWANIS HALLOWEEN PARTY @ Kiwanis Park					

* : <https://zoom.us/j/9795654397?pwd=bFVwQ2pLV2s5ankwYmpFN1d0S2hEUT09>