



FRIDAY NOON MEETINGS-CASCADES MANOR HOUSE



Kiwanis Club of Jackson

Serving the Children of the World Since 1918

May Calendar

Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

I was just thinking that Spring was finally here, but I'm pretty sure I saw snowflakes today (the first day of May). Despite the gray clouds and blustering wind, I'm still thankful for each and every day and for the blessings and challenges it brings us.

One of our blessings is our Annual Prayer Breakfast is fast approaching (May 10th). I want to thank Mary Lou McFadden, Phil Berkemeier and the whole committee for putting together this wonderful event. I also want to thank Chad Noble for filling in for me next week at the Prayer Breakfast as I'm not able to attend due to family obligations.

May is also the start of our biggest fundraiser: Flags. If you are not currently on a flag team, please contact Jim or Beth Philo if you are willing to serve on a route. Don't forget to get out there and start locating the sleeves from last year. If you feel comfortable expanding your route some, we will have blank flag applications at the next few meetings. Please take some to pass out to the neighbors of your existing flag customers. This will allow the expansion of our flag program in a concentrated and manageable way.

In continuing our focus on literacy, our club is collecting new and gently used children's books (K-12) for the Back to School Bash on July 27th. Please have all books to Sally Wingle by July 7th.

Yours in service,
Chandra

Wednesday, May 3

Flag Repair at Jeff Sekerke's
& Zoom Bd Mtg @ Noon

Friday, May 5 - Kirk
Hoffman - Maritime
Museum

**Celebration for Cheryl
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**Past Presidents
Meeting - 1:00**



Thursday, May 10 - Prayer
Breakfast 7:30 - 8:45



Friday, May 12 - Jane Flores
Jackson Crossing

Wednesday, May 17 -
Zoom Bd Mtg @ Noon

Friday, May 19 - Ron Ellison
American Title Co

Plant Flags by May 25th

**Friday, May 26 - No
Meeting - Happy Memorial
Day!**



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AKTION CLUB BOWLATHON

There were a total of 40 people at the bowlathon at University Lanes in Albion. We had 17 bowlers from the St. Louis Center Aktion Club and 15 Jackson Club members with the balance being chaperones or parents. The Jackson Club included people from the John George Home and Hope House. Gordon Schleicher, former state Aktion Club Administrator and now editor of Aktion Club state newsletter was there and Gary Swartzlander, Director of David's Promise, was also there. Mary Turk, Julie Salyer and Sue Markowski did a great job organizing this event. Everyone had a great time. They made enough money to send 5 bed kits to SCAW (sleeping Children Around the World).



Tribute to Cheryl

We are requesting your presence at the May 5th meeting to pay tribute to Cheryl who has taken care of us for at least 20 years – we are making her an “Honorary Kiwanis” member and it would be nice to see a big turnout!

Joe Wolfe
517-740-3008

Attention Past Presidents!

It is time to start the election process for next year. There are several board and officer positions to fill, effective October 1, 2023. The first meeting will be following the regular Club meeting Friday, May 5th at 1:00 pm. Please come prepared with the names of potential candidates.

If you cannot attend in person and would like to suggest someone to serve on the board, please contact me at chad.p.noble@gmail.com or at 517/787-2626. Thank you.

Chad Noble

Volunteers Needed

The Interfaith shelter luncheon sponsored by the Kiwanis club will be held June 8, 2023. I will be asking for volunteers.

Don Schroader
517-262-7421

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

We will be collecting gently used books for children of all ages for the "Back to School Bash" which takes place on July 27. You may bring any books you have to our Kiwanis meetings or call Sally at 517-795-4286 to have them picked up. Ask your friends at relatives if they have any children's books they would like to donate.

Fran Adams from the Center for Family Health will have a table at the event and children may take one free book home the day of the event. Please call Sally or bring in any books you would like to donate no later than July 7. Thank you!

Sally Wingle



Jackson Area Kiwanis Clubs
Celebrate Worldwide Prayer Breakfast

Please Join Us ...

Wednesday, May 10, 2023
at 7:30 am – 8:45 am

Cascades Manor House
1970 Kibby Road
Jackson, MI 49203
517-784-1500

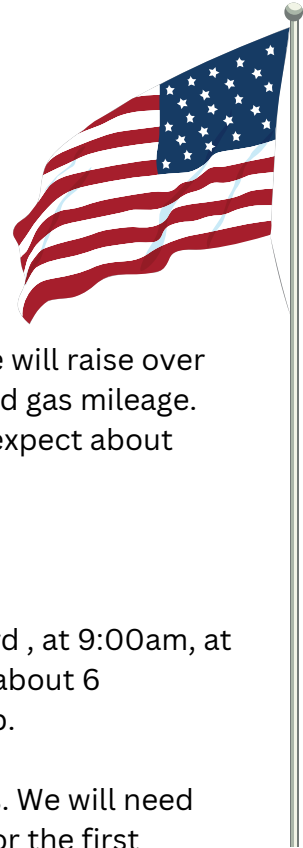
Featuring Guest Speaker
Benjamin Kriesch
Principal Paragon Charter Academy

Invite your minister, pastor, priest, rabbi and friends.

Buffet Breakfast
\$15.00 per person

Advance Ticket Sales Recommended
Please RSVP by May 3, 2023 / Mary Lou McFadden 517-581-0035
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Flag Project



OK TEAM MATES...it is time to get serious about the 2023 flag project! We will raise over \$45,000.00 with this fund raiser. All we ask of you is a little bit of time and gas mileage. Applications are flowing in with over 700 on the spreadsheet so far. We expect about 1.250 again this year. We will send out the route sheets 10 – 14 days before planting time.

A few key points:

- We have 80+ flags to repair and will work on them Wednesday May 3rd , at 9:00am, at Jeff Sekerkes' pole barn. Check your roster for his address. We need about 6 members to help with this, please call Jim at 745-0529 if you can help.
- In a few weeks Jim will be contacting Miss Dig for our new customers. We will need help planting sleeves after sites have been marked so we are all set for the first planting. Let Jim know if you have the tools for this and can work it into your schedule.
- Check the flag sleeves on your route. Pull them out and empty the accumulated dirt if needed.

Re-mark your sites as needed. Maybe offer to help some of our older members clean out and remark their sleeves. There are sleeves, stones and paint at both storage units. The combination for the Blue Bay and locks for both units is *3909# We have the first unit on Horton Road and unit 346 at Blue Bay.

- 2023 planting and harvesting dates to PUT IN YOUR CALENDAR:

Plant by May 25 th harvest by June 18 th

Plant by June 29 th harvest by July 9 th

Plant by August 31 st harvest by September 17 th

Plant by November 6 th harvest by November 15 th

Yup, it takes all members on deck to make this project a success! When the flags are flying, we hope you all feel patriotic and proud to live in this community and be a member of this club!

Beth & Jim Philo

May Birthdays

May 3 - Ron Sondergeld
May 3 - Dick Hitch
May 7 - Therese Hessler
May 10 - Brian Smith
May 13 - Glenn Pascoe
May 16 - Barbara Baird- Pauli
May 17 - Phil Burch
May 22 - Jim Justin
May 23 - Doug Beiswanger

Gourmet Nuts

Grab the last case of Gourmet Nuts before its gone! Contact Linda Hayes.



Aktion Club is the only service club for adults with disabilities, with more than 10,000 members worldwide. Club members become competent, capable, caring leaders through the vehicle of service. Our Kiwanis Club supports the Aktion Club along with leaders Mary Turk and Cheri Johnson.



Key Club is a student led, high school organization that encourages leadership through serving others. Key Club remains active in partnership with our Kiwanis Club and Western High School. Ruth Bocka & Katie Sullivan are advisors for the Club along with Stan Mazur as the Kiwanis contact.