Kíwanís Club of Jackson

"Serving the Children of the World"

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Welcome to March!

I hope it comes in like a lion because I am ready for spring and going out like a lamb sounds good to me. There are a lot of Racing for Dollars volunteers that are very happy to see March coming. Thanks to these volunteers, Racing for Dollars was a very successful event, raising about \$51,000.

At the end of February, we participated in the Chamber of Commerce event, Off the Clock. It was very well attended and we talked to a lot of people about Kiwanis. We gained one new member and possibly three others. It was well worth the time.

On Saturday, March 9th we will have a booth at the Women's Expo to help promote our club, help with branding and possibly bring in new members. This year's expo takes place at the Middle School at Parkside and boasts over 170 vendors. We could use a few more volunteers but if not just stop by and say Hi.

We also have another chance for branding on Tuesday, March 12th, National Pancake Day, at our local IHOP. This day IHOP raises money for the support of Children's Miracle Network Hospital and we will help that day, doing what we can and what they need done. It runs from 7am to 7pm which means we will need many volunteers. Your time will help a lot of children and our club.

If you know of a young student interested in law enforcement, please have them contact Kiwanis for an application to the Law Enforcement Career Academy camp. The application must be in by the end of the March.

I'm planning on a great month for our club. I hope the events I have mentioned will interest a few people in becoming members. We need new members to keep this club strong and grow.

I hope all of you will make this a great month in whatever you do.

Mike Zuchowski President

KIWANIS NEWS

SALVATION ARMY

Lt. Ross Anderson and Development Director Shannon Skarritt from the Salvation Army attended today's meeting to present a plaque to us for ringing the bell during the Christmas holidays. The Salvation Army would like to thank the Kiwanis Club of Jackson for raising over \$6,000 as part of our 2018 Red Kettle Campaign. This was the most raised by any organization helping them and this contribution helped the Salvation Army raise over \$112,000 for the 2018 campaign. Funds collected will be used to support the community throughout the year. A big THANK YOU to all who participated.



Energizing Education

Mary Lou McFadden and Cal Schuch presented a check for \$2,000 to Lois Dunning, Director for Energizing Education. Funds will be used to help children in grades K-3read at or above grade level and improve literacy in Jackson County. In 2017–2018 school year, 188 students and 183 mentors participated in Energizing Education programs offered at 6 local schools.



\$\$\$ RACING FOR DOLLARS \$\$\$

A big "thank you" to all the Kiwanis members who made our 13th Annual Racing For Dollars event the biggest success ever! We exceeded \$51,000, so all the charities will benefit very well this year. A majority of the committee is made up of Kiwanis members but we also have Rotary members and members from the Jackson Community Foundation, the St. Luke Board, and others. From September to the race day in February the committee meets weekly to update things like ticket sales, prizes, auction items, and other pertinent parts of the puzzle so that this year on Sunday, February 17th, all engines were a "go"! The day is exhausting but the reward is great. We sold all 250 event tickets, all 300 Polly's raffle tickets, all the wine and booze raffle cards, all the racing board bets, got top bids on all live and silent auction items, and our 50/50's were worth \$1,100 for the first winner and \$900 for the 2nd winner (that being Dick Erhardt). We would welcome anyone and everyone to be part of this fundraiser next year! Thanks Kiwanis for taking the leadership role!

Kiwanis Photos – Members can now send their current Kiwanis photos from Chili Golf, Racing for Dollars or other happenings in the club to our new, central location at info@jacksonkiwanis.com. Photos can be accessed to promote Kiwanis on Facebook, Instagram, email, newsletters, the Kiwanis Newspaper and more.

For more information: contact Chandra Howard

AKTION CLUB

At our February 26 meeting, the Aktion Club helped package seeds for the "**Big Seed Project**" that is put on by We Can Make a Difference House to teach school children about planting gardens.

KIWANIS TRAVEL ADVENTURE SERIES

Well this is it—the last two films in the long running Kiwanis Travel Adventure Series. The series has been shown to Jackson audiences for 73 years. It started in 1946. We have been the chairman for 25 years. It's time to say "goodbye" and thank all the Kiwanians for their support through the years.

Thank you, thank you to the many Kiwanis members who bought & sold tickets and provided manpower on the show nights.



Kathie & George Veach

UPCOMING EVENTS

"China: Beyond the Great Wall

Thursday, March 7, 2019

For three months, adventure filmmaker and author Karin Muller traveled alone throughout China - living with Tibetan nomadic yak herders, Mongolian wrestlers and Buddhist warrior monks. Through the eyes of businessmen and farmers, domestic workers and line - dancing matriarchs, Karin documented China's extraordinary social, economic and political transformation - and some of unintended consequences: China's massive urban migration, ghost cities and fake iPhone markets. Karin was invited behind the scenes of a traveling opera troop, professional chicken fights and Shanghai's dating market. She even stumbled upon China's real-life Harry Potter. China: Beyond the Great Wall explores the many faces of this vast and complicated land - and reveals the kindness and humanity of a people to often defined only by statistics and stereotypes.





"Heart of San Francisco"

Thursday, March 28, 2019

Produced and Narrated by Sandy Mortimer

Capturing as much of the magic of this "City by the Bay" is the object of Sandy Mortimer's new presentation. This exploration goes beyond the tourist sites that draw almost 20 million visitors a year, into many of the more than 40 neighborhoods this city has. And we explore and reveal many of the claims to fame and the local lore in the "hoods" as well as Fisherman's Wharf, North Beach, Chinatown, Embarcadero, Japantown, Union Square, Mission District, Haight-Ashbury, Golden Gate Park, Presidio Civic Center, Nob Hill, Alcatraz Prison, and much more. From parades to parties, the history, including rare footage of the 1906 earthquake - all a wonderful, exuberant part of the "Only in San Francisco" experience that comes alive in "The Heart of San Francisco".



Jackson Women's Expo 2019

Saturday, March 9, 2019 10am - 4pm Middle School at Parkside - Jackson, MI

IHOP FREE PANCAKE DAY

Flip it Forward for Kids



Volunteer at IHOP on Tuesday, March 12 from 7 am – 7 pm. Support IHOP with their event by greeting guests, encouraging donations and helping make this a successful day for IHOP. Customers will enjoy Free short stack of pancakes and donate to help kids treated at Children's Miracle Network Hospitals.

AKTION CLUB

Mark your calendar to attend the Jackson Aktion Club Bowl-A-Thon on Saturday, April 13 at 10 am. Proceeds go to Sleeping Children Around the world (SCAW). Cost: \$15/bowler includes 2 hours of bowling, shoes, lunch, drink and a t-shirt. Donations and sponsorships are available. Check your email for The Bowl-A-Thon Flyers.

RSVP Cheri by April 1, email at cherijohnson03@gmail.com

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