



Jackson Downtown Kiwanian

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MAY 2017

**“Building the Next Generation of Jackson’s Leaders
One Kiwanian at a Time”**



President Rick Mills

A Kiwanis Recruiting Event-this Thursday! All Kiwanians and their prospective member circle of family, friends, and associates are invited to a social event at the Grand River Brewery in downtown Jackson. Kiwanians, please come to mingle with prospective members in order to share why you are a member of Kiwanis, and answer any questions prospects may have regarding the club.

At the event, we will make a 20 minute presentation and have a Q & A while socializing. The Club is offering to purchase one drink to prospective members, for which, we ask that they give us an hour of their time to present a Kiwanis program to them. Kiwanians attending are responsible for their own food and drink. The event will be from **5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 27 at the Grand River Brewery located at 117 W. Louis Glick Hwy, Jackson, MI, 49201.**

Who do you know who would make a great Kiwanian? Your spouse? Neighbor? Friend from church? Colleague? Board member for a non-profit you serve? Another parent at your child’s or grandchild’s school? A former co-worker who wants to get more out of life? Look around and invite that person or those people to this event and/or our May 5th club meeting!

Wouldn’t it be great to have 100 members by our club’s 100th birthday? That is in 2018!



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Club Meetings

Friday Meetings at noon
Cascades Manor House
1970 Kibby Rd

Board Meetings

1st and 3rd Wednesday
noon at the Hunt Club

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May Meetings

May 5th – Membership Promotional Meeting

May 12th – Judy Gail Krasnow will share history of the Jackson Prison

May 19th – “Flag Project” kick-off – American Flag Retirement Ceremony

May 26th – Round table – Memorial Day Weekend

June 2nd - Experience Jackson will be getting us all Jackson Certified!

Club Notes

- **Prayer Breakfast:** The Northwest Kiwanis Club is hosting the Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, **May 4**, at Steve’s Ranch from 7:30- 8:45 a.m. Elaine Crosby, professional golfer, will be the speaker. Advance ticket sales only (must RSVP by April 27). Therese Hesslau and Phil Berkemeier have tickets. All Kiwanians are encouraged to bring a guest. Please like this event on our Facebook page.
- **Interfaith Shelter Luncheon:** Don Schroeder is coordinating our next luncheon at the Interfaith Shelter. It will be Tuesday, **May 2**. Want to help? Let him know.
- **A Flag Retirement Ceremony will kick off this year’s** Flag Project! It will take place at our regular meeting on **May 19**. We will hold the ceremony at the Cascade pavilion across the street from the Manor House after having a patriotic lunch. Plan to attend as the Jackson High School Choir and the Vietnam Veterans will join us to make this a very special event! We are inviting all veterans to wear your uniform if you wish.
- **Our Foundation** met in April. Treasurer Barry Malek resigned. George Veach was named to fill this position for the remainder of the term. It was reported that our investments are doing very well. The board approved spending \$3,000.00 this year, to upgrade the picnic tables at our Kiwanis Park. The foundation meets quarterly. The next meeting will be on June 16th and will be the Annual meeting, held in conjunction with our regular Friday meeting. Jessica Mitchell will be coming off the board so we are looking for another volunteer to be voted in at this annual meeting. See Therese Hesslau for a “job description.”

Youth Services

- **Kiwanis Kids Movies:** Our club sponsored the kids movies at the Michigan Theatre during Spring Break, April 3-7. Pat Kiessling reported that 1,299 attended.



Fund Raisers

- **Flag Project** — kicks off this month. One big change—the combination to enter the gate at the storage unit has been changed. It is now the same number as we use to unlock the lock on the unit. Look for the new combination on your route printout. Let Jim & Beth know if there are changes needed for your flag team. Each team should have their initial route by mid-May. We recommend you go out and locate, re-mark or set the sleeves so everything is ready for the first installation, the week before Memorial Day. Join us at our Friday meeting on May 19 as we hold a flag retirement ceremony for the flags that have worn out and needed to be replaced. A big THANK YOU to our Aktion Club partner on this Flag Project!



MEMBER CHANGES

Longtime member Lydia Weeks passed away this month. She and her late husband Jay were long time members who each took a turn with club leadership. Lydia spent these past few years in an assisted living center in Maryland, near family. Many members have fond memories of working on projects with both Lydia and Jay.

Welcome to our newest member Tim Walz. He was welcomed into our club last Friday by his sponsor, Andy Johnson, and inducted by membership chair Dick Hitch. Tim has a background in banking and more recently with insurance. He is married and has two children. Welcome Tim! P.S. Andy has already snagged Tim as his flag team partner. What a great idea for recruiting a friend!

KIWANIS MAY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Interfaith Shelter Lunch 	3 <u>Board meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club Happy Birthday Dick Hitch & Ron Sondergeld	4 Prayer Breakfast  7:30am Steve's Ranch	5 <u>Program</u> Membership Promotional meeting 	6
7 Happy Birthday Therese Hessler	8	9 Aktion Club meets	10 Happy Birthday Brian Smith	11	12 <u>Program:</u> History of Jackson prison	13 Happy Birthday Glenn Pascoe
14 	15	16 Happy Birthday Suzy Crittenden	17 <u>Board meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club Happy Birthday Phil Burch	18	19 <u>Program:</u>  Flag Retirement Ceremony	20
21	22	23 Aktion Club meets Happy Birthday Doug Beiswanger	24 Plant flags 	25 Newsletter Deadline	26 <u>Program:</u> Round Table	27
28	29 	30	31 100 th Bday meeting Noon Hunt Club	June 1  Harvest flags	2 <u>Program:</u> 'Experience Jackson'	3

Remember our Kiwanis Club Foundation when securing your estate plans.