



Jackson Downtown Kiwanian

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President Andy Johnson

Welcome to October!

I would like to thank and congratulate Rick on a great Kiwanis year! His dedication toward Kiwanis' success is a testament to Rick's belief in this community. And as Don leaves the board, I would like to thank him for his Presidency and leadership over the past four years. And last but certainly not least, thank you Ted and Mary Lou for great contributors as board members over the past few years.

As for my first message as President of this fine club, I would like to thank you for your trust and say 'enough of the thank yous' and let's get to work helping the kids in this community.

First up in our Kiwanis year will be Dictionaries, Shoes and Boots, Nut Sales, Travel Adventure Movies, and of course our long running traditional Halloween Party at Kiwanis Park.

Finally, attached or enclosed are the organization charts I displayed at our meeting a couple of weeks ago. So, if you are looking to volunteer, and as a member of this club you should be, use your club roster to look up the chair of a chosen project and let them know you would like to help. The more the merrier!

To conclude with a few congratulations: congrats to Nicole on winning her first first-place in the Michigan District Scrapbook contest after being a second-place bridesmaid for a number of years, congrats to Beth on another great year publishing our Newsletter, which placed third at the District Convention.

Kiwanis Club Officers President Andy Johnson President-Elect Mike Zuchowski Vice President Mary Lou McFadden Treasurer Chandra Howard Secretary Joe Wolfe Past President Rick Mills

Board Directors

Linda Hayes Terry Langston Amanda Casler Mary Hitch Jim Philo Kyle Janson John Grzesikowski

Lt. Governor District 11 Bonnie Bartlett, Brooklyn

Club Meetings

Friday Meetings at noon Cascades Manor House 1970 Kibby Rd

Board Meetings

1st and 3rd Wednesday noon at the Hunt Club

Newsletter Editor

Beth Philo

Keeping you in the Know! October Meetings

- 10/06 Installation Dinner
- 10/13 Alex Cash
- 10/20 Jamie McKibbon
- 10/27 Mark Dailey

Looking ahead: Eileen Lehnert volunteered to coordinate November

- 11/03 Travel Adventure Martin Darrah
- 11/10 Connie Poisson J.A. of Jackson
- 11/17 Lyah VanSickle / Loelle Abbotts Girl Scouts

Installation of 2017/18 Officers and Board Members will take place next Friday, October 6th, 5:30pm at the Cascade Manor House. If you have not purchased your ticket yet, contact Therese Hesslau.

Friday Program Chairs: Vice President Mike Zuchowski asked for members to sign up as program chairs for the remaining months of 2017 as well as the coming year of 2018.

Anniversary Club Polo Shirts - Do you have a Kiwanis shirt? Our 100 year anniversary logo will be embroidered on the upper left front. You must pay in advance. \$40, or \$45 for sizes XXL. Women's sizes: S, M, L, XL and XXL. Men's sizes: M, L, XL, XXL. Checks should be made payable to the Jackson Kiwanis Club. Contact Mary Hitch.

Fall Fund Raisers – Nut and Candle Sales are front and center. Nuts have been ordered and are expected to be delivered by mid October. Let Ron Sondergeld know how many cans, or gift boxes you would like to sell for the club. Mary Lou is taking orders for Kiwanis candles again this year. Let her know how many and what scents you would like to order. Both products cost \$20 per item and are to be paid when you order.

Budget – You have all done a GREAT job raising funds this past few years to help serve children in our community! The 2016/17 year ended well in the black. The 2017/18 proposed budget will propose a raise in the limit on each Shoes & Boots voucher to \$50.00; we will be able to increase scholarships given from 3 to 4; in addition to maintaining programs that we support each year - we are proposing the support of the 'Energizing Education' program. Our new 2017/18 board will vote on the budget at its first board meeting on October 4th. The administrative budget also came in the black in 2017/18. The 100th birthday celebration has raised enough funds to pay for preliminary costs toward our celebration. As we move into our celebration year we will be asking for sponsorships to fund some of the celebratory activities. For now, enjoy donating to the MSU/UofM mug challenge at Friday meetings! Which team fans will get to sing their team song?

Flag Project - Four of the five holidays are past and we have one more planting and harvesting to go (Veterans Day). Thank you to every team who has given their customers great service! We have had customer calls from three complaining about their flags being flown a lot longer than we told them they would be. They do not like to mow around the flag poles. The project is not special to them when the flags are there constantly instead of sporadically-honoring holidays. Keeping them up too long shortens the life of the flag and many poles are getting bent from lawn mowers. Please take your commitment seriously. We each represent the club as a whole and want our community to be proud to fly the American flag! It should not be a nuisance to the customer.

The 99th Annual Kiwanis Newspaper Sale date is Friday, December 15th. All members are assigned a sale location and those assignments will be in the November newsletter. The headquarters will be the Cascade Manor House. Sale times are from 11am to 4 pm and each member will be asked to work about an hour and a half. The goal is to raise \$10,000 in our one-day sale.

The Newspaper Sale Skit will be Friday, December 8th. The skit has not been writ but the Might Kiwanis Art Players are ready regardless!! Please invite spouses and guests to this meeting. The Salvation Army will bring their Red Kettle that day and we have given over \$2,000 in the past. This is in thanks for the Army not ringing bells at our newspaper sale locations on 12/15/17. So, bring a little extra money to help the Salvation Army help the needy in Jackson.

Gold and Silver Club sign-ups will begin in October. These are member personal contributions to our newspaper sale, the oldest project of the club, going back to 1918 when the club was founded. Gold Members contribute \$100 and Silver Members contribute \$50 – all going to buy shoes and boots for needy school children (about 400 pair a year are purchased).

Service Project Providing lunch and serving it at the interfaith shelter luncheon will be December 5th, 2017.

Kiwanis Travel & Adventure Film Series News

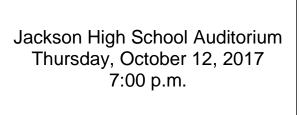
Ticket sales have been brisk thanks to the Kiwanians who support the travel adventure shows. Since there are only four shows left, the season tickets can now be sold for \$25 for adults and \$23 for seniors. Return ticket stubs and information sheets to George Veach as soon as possible.

George & Kathie Veach

"A Taste of Old Holland" Thursday, October 12, 2017 Produced and Narrated by Don Van Polen

Don and Fran Van Polen bring a new perspective to an old country with their latest film on the Netherlands. It is delightful to travel to the Netherlands because the Dutch have a high regard for tradition. When you drive across the countryside, it's almost as though you are paging through an old geography book. Having photographed the country several times, the Van Polens know almost every nook and cranny and byway in the entire country. You will explore the back roads and byways of old Holland, hear the fascinating stories and traditions, walk through fields and gardens of tulips, visit the ancient mills on Windmill Day and savor the flavor of what the country was like a hundred years ago.





October Sponsor: Arbor Manor Rehabilitation & Nursing Center

Where we are going next season...

October 12, 2017—A Taste of Old Holland November 2, 2017—A Week in Paris March 1, 2018—Tibet: A light in the Darkness March 22, 2018—Stern Wheeling Alaska's Inside Passage For more ticket information, contact Kathie at: 517-474-5227 or Kiwanis@gkveach.com

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Key Club meets weekly 2:30pm	4 <u>Board</u> <u>meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club	5 Racing for Dollars Committee 8am Steve's Ranch	6 <u>Program</u> Installation of Officers 5:30pm	7
8	9	10 Aktion Club meets 3:30pm	11	12 Travel & Adv. Series 7pm "Holland" Happy Birthday Phil Berkemeier	13 <u>Program</u> : Alex Cash Happy Birthday Kelly Langley	14
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22	23	24 Aktion Club meets 3:30pm	25	26	27 <u>Program:</u> <u>Mark Dailey</u>	28
29	30	31 Halloween Party Kiwanis Park 5:30 – 8:00pm	Nov. 1	2 Travel & Adv. Series 7pm "Paris"	3 <u>Program:</u> TA Speaker Martin Darrah	4

Remember our Kiwanis Club Foundation when securing your estate plans.





