

KIWANIS CLUB OF JACKSON

Meetings on Friday, 12 noon, Cascades Manor House, Board Meetings 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, Hunt Club, 12 noon, Club Address: 1203 First St., Jackson, MI 49203, (888) 551-9699, Website: www.JacksonKiwanis.com, Facebook page: *Kiwanis Club of Jackson*, District: www.mikiwanis.org, International: www.kiwanis.org



OCTOBER NEWSLETTER 2018

President Mike Zuchowski



Welcome and thank you for coming tonight.

I would like to thank Charles Bianchi, our Lt. Governor, for being her tonight to install our officers and directors. I would like to thank Andy Johnson for leading us through this our 100th year. With his leadership, among other things, we now have new playground equipment at Kiwanis Park. Thank you to the Board of Directors that helped him to a successful year. I would also like to Beth Philo for your vision for how we should celebrate this year and the hard work it took to get it done. Next, thank you to Joe Wolfe for continuing his position as “temporary secretary” and thank you to Chandra Howard for stepping up to be treasurer for one more year. You are a life saver!!

What a great 100 years it has been, and I am glad and proud to be a part of the ending few years. I am even prouder that you have chosen me to lead you into the next 100 years. But no one can do it alone and so I will need your help to make this next year a success.

Kiwanis – *Who are we?*

Motto – *Serving the children of the world.*

Defining Statement – *Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.*

Vision – *Kiwanis will be a positive influence in communities worldwide...so that one day, all children will wake up in communities that believe in them, nurture them, and provide the support they need to thrive.*

My Theme or Vision for this year is **“Building a Stronger Club.”** By no means are we weak, but I think we can grow stronger and become a bigger part of this community. To help build a stronger club, we need to increase our membership, with members of all ages. We can achieve this by just asking our friends, co-workers or even an occasional stranger. After all, they can’t say yes if we don’t ask them. Wear your Kiwanis pin and apparel so people will ask, “What is Kiwanis?” There’s our chance to tell them how exciting and fulfilling it is to be a member and to give back to the community Mention our projects to others and ask them to help on a project. Let’s help Joe get those newspapers out there so people don’t have to ask, “What is Kiwanis.” I have a proposition for all members, especially those who think I can use this. For every new member you bring into the club, I will take a cream pie in the face. If you bring in five new members, I will take a fruit pie in the face. And by chance if you bring 15 members into the club, I will even take a cow pie in the face from you. Now, that’s incentive! Since I am trying to lead by example, on October 5th, we will be installing James Garner Jr. as a new member, and since I don’t want to pie myself, I will have James do it for me. So be there!

We could do a better job of Branding to get our name out there in the community. Let’s build our website, get projects and other news in the Citizen Patriot, on the radio or JTV. Let’s make our “Kids Against Hunger” project a huge success to let people know we are community minded. I think we could have a group of walkers our club, wearing your Kiwanis shirts, supporting a cause such as cancer or other good causes. We could enter the “Cardboard Boat Race,” volunteer or donate blood at the MIS Patriot’s Day on 9/11. Just because we didn’t think of it first, doesn’t mean we can’t join other groups for their cause, if it aligns with our goal, to be able to get our name out in the community.

We could use a new fundraiser to cover the loss of our "Travel Adventure Series," George and Kathy need something to do! Please submit your ideas to the board. If the board approves your idea and it raises \$3000, I will buy two of your lunches. We could use at least one more "Hands-on" service project, which helps the children of the community and our image. I would like to have volunteers to be co-chairs on all committees, as a back up to them, so we can transition as the years go by and keep our projects running smoothly. I would like to get rid of the idea that you must be old and rich to be in our club. I certainly am proof that you don't have to be rich.

With this great slate of officers and board members this year, and all of you, I know we can make this a great year. Thank you!!

**2018/19
CLUB OFFICERS**

PRESIDENT
MIKE ZUCHOWSKI

PRESIDENT ELECT
MARY LOU MCFADDEN

VICE PRESIDENT
JIM PHILO

SECRETARY
JOE WOLFE

TREASURER
CHANDRA HOWARD

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

JOHN GRZESIKOWSKI
LINDA HAYES
MARY HITCH
DAVE MAHON
SHELLY JUSICK
TERRY LANGSTON
REG FENNELL

PAST PRESIDENT
ANDY JOHNSON

LT GOVERNOR
CHARLES BIANCHI

GOVERNOR
LARRY MEMMER

UPCOMING EVENTS

"Ribbon Cutting Ceremony" *The Disc Golf Course*, Ella Sharp Park, Friday, Oct 5th 10:30

"Kids Against Hunger" Saturday, Oct 13th 8:00 - 12:00 at Parkside Fieldhouse

"Halloween Party" Wednesday, Oct 31st 5:30 – 8:30 For more information, contact Reg Fennell

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Many volunteers are needed for the October 13th **"Kids Against Hunger"** event. Bring your friends and family to package meals 30,000 meals for needy families in our community. The event takes place at the Middle School of Parkside Fieldhouse from 8:00 to 12:00.

Mary Lou McFadden, President Elect, is looking for **Speaker Coordinators** for the following months: April 2019 (3 weeks only because of Good Friday on April 19th), July 2019, August 20, September 2019. All other months have been taken, so I do hope that some members will "STEP UP" and volunteer!!

The **"Racing for Dollars"** kick off took place at Steve's Ranch House on September 13th. Pat Kiessling is looking for volunteers to "add some new blood to the event." Pat hopes to see you at the next meeting on Thursday, October 8th at Steve's Ranch House at 8:00 am sharp!

COMMUNITY BUILD AT KIWANIS PARK

We would like to thank all the volunteers that came together on Friday, Sept 21st to install a beautiful new play structure at Kiwanis Park." Children are already playing on the equipment and love it.

Those volunteers that we would like to recognize are: Bob Johnson and the crew from 5 Leprechauns, Kelli Hoover and the crew from the City Parks and Recreation, Kiwanis Northwest, Deerfield, Florida Kiwanis, Golden K Kiwanis Shelby Township, Orange Street neighbors, Jennifer Smith Manufacturers Rep, Habitat for Humanity, Katherine Keesmakers from Consumers energy, and 22 members from our club.

We really take a lot of pride in the park," said Club President Andy Johnson. "We hope the neighborhood really see that we care and want to put our time and efforts toward making Jackson a better place."



FALL FUNDRAISERS

Mary Lou McFadden will soon be taking orders for **candles**; there are new fragrances and she will have samples. As in previous years, the cost of the candles will be \$20 each.

Bob Johnson will work with Ron Sondergeld on the **Nut and Candy** project. More information coming soon.

THE 100TH ANNUAL NEWSPAPER SALE

Every member will have an assignment of some kind or another, so please plan on donating at least 2 hours selling papers on December 14th. More information to follow in the November Newsletter.

FLAG PROJECT



One more flag planting and harvesting to go on Veterans Day. Thank you to all the club members who have given their customers great service!

ANNUAL NEWSPAPER SALE SKIT

While the skit is not writ, the Mighty Kiwanis Skit players will perform on December 7th. Last year we introduced audience participation and we plan on a little more of that with this year's skit. You won't want to miss it!!

SAVE THE DATE!! 12/7/18

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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

“Red Rock Country: The Colorado River Plateau”

Thursday, October 11, 2018

Produced and Narrated by Gray Warriner

The Colorado River Plateau is the heartland of more national parks than anywhere else in the world. The spectacular colors of Red Rock Country include a geologic rainbow of blue, purple, and yellow strata shaped by erosion into countless textures and forms. Spend time exploring Arches National Park and the Colorado River's deep canyons. Then it's on to Lake Powell and Northern Arizona Indian Country, where we join Navajo story tellers and Indian traders at Hubbell Trading Post. We visit Canyon de Chelly National Monument and Navajo National Monument. From Colorado's Mesa Verde to Nevada's Lost City, you'll see the Southwest, in part, through the eyes of its first peoples and discover the stories and lore that live on, setting the Colorado Plateau apart from every other corner of our nation.

**October Sponsor:
Arbor Manor
Rehabilitation & Nursing
Center**

For more ticket information, contact
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Where we are going this season...

October 11, 2018--Red Rock Country: The Colorado River Plateau

November 1, 2018--Guatemala: Land of the Maya

March 7, 2019--China: Beyond the Great Wall

March 28, 2019--Heart of San Francisco

KIWANIS CALENDAR OCTOBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01	02	03	04	05	06
	Key Club Meeting 2:30 pm	Happy Birthday Dave Mahon	Board Meeting- 12 Noon Hunt Club	Racing for \$\$ 8:00 am Steve's Ranch House	Dick Hitch/ Youth Safety Disc Golf Ribbon Cutting Ella Sharp Park 10:30am	
07	08	09	10	11	12	13
Key Club Meeting 2:30 pm	Aktion Club Meeting 3pm Installation of Officers			Film Series: 7pm <i>The Colorado River Plateau</i>	Gary Warriner: <i>Red Rock Country</i> Happy Birthday Phil Berkemeier	"Kids Against Hunger" Parkside Fieldhouse 8:00 – 12:00 <u>Volunteers Needed</u>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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28	29	30	31	1	2	
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SAVE THE DATES: Friday, December 7th Annual Newspaper Sale "Skit"
Friday, December 14th Annual Newspaper Sale