



Jackson Downtown Kiwanian

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APRIL 2018



President Andy Johnson

Ahhh, April in Michigan!

What a great time of year, with the anticipation of summer right around the corner. A time to start venturing out of the house, for snow birds flying North, and Kiwanis coming out of our busiest season. We had a great fundraising season this year and our coffers are once again full to use toward helping the kids in our community. Thanks everyone who worked so hard. You deserve a nice summer vacation, except don't forget to get your flags in before you go.

News coming from our Travel Adventure Series is sad indeed. George and Kathy Veach regrettably report that the 2018-2019 Season will be the series' last. Due to declining attendance and thinning movie producers, the entire program is closing down at the end of next year's season after a marvelous 73-year run. Throughout the Kiwanis Jackson program we have only had 3 Chairpersons, with George and Kathy becoming the last. A fine tradition goes by the wayside, but not without fine memories. Thank you, George and Kathy, for all your hard work.

For April, our club does not have any major projects, so what I would like everyone to do is invite someone you know who, gives of themselves, to come to a Friday meeting. We are gearing up in May to have some club specific programs, so let potential Kiwanians know they are specifically invited.

So, as we say goodbye to March with a fine addio, let's look forward to garden planting, spring cleaning, and the words, 'Play Ball'! Go get'em Kiwanians!



Happy Birthday Jackson Kiwanians!

Board Directors

Linda Hayes Terry Langston John Grzesikowski Mary Hitch Jim Philo Kyle Janson David Mahon

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

April 2018 Meetings

Thank you to Dave Mahon & Ted Wilson for securing our speakers for April. **April 6**th - Dr. Kelli Bogue, Audiologist from the Community Hearing Center. **April 13**th - Tim Rogers, CEO of the Enterprise Group to discuss Economic Development Activities in Jackson County

April 20th – Sarah Chapel, Registered Dietitian & Health Educator from Henry Ford Allegiance Health, to speak about Wellness and Prevention Programs to Support Healthier Community

April 27th - Rick Wilson, Development Director and Shawna Tello, CEO from Y Center of Jackson, to speak about current programs for youth and adults and about Capital Campaign for the Y-Center facilities.

Get your 100th year 'Club Roster' NOW! Pick one up at the Friday club meetings.

A Historical Tidbit

In mid October of 1968, a historic event occurred in our club. Our club president, Barney Miller, noted that several members were pilots and had their own aircraft so he proposed a 'flying interclub'. It was agreed that 3 planes would participate namely: Cessna – piloted by Bob Crary Jr., Beechcraft Bonanza – piloted by John Dobbin and a Navion – piloted by Bob Pioch. Each plane carried 3 passengers making a total of 12 Kiwanians for the interclub.

Leaving at 6:00AM from Reynolds field, their first destination was the Muskegan club since they met at their airport restaurant at 7:00AM> A large contingent met our members upon their arrival.

The noon destination was the Sault Ste Marie Club who met us at their airport and transported us to their meeting in a downtown hotel. We were treated like celebrities!

The third and last destination was the Owosso club who had a dinner meeting. Scheduling the flight at the height of Michigan color season was a nice bonus. Everyone agreed that the event was a resounding success! Later, a slide presentation of the trip was shared with our club.

*100th Birthday committee note: we found mention of several more 'low key' flying interclubs thoughout the 1970's & 80's.

Kiwanis Travel & Adventure Film Series News

On March 22, at the final show of our 2017-18 Season we announced to the audience that the 2018-19 Travel-Adventure Film Series season will be the FINAL of 73 amazing seasons.

As the industry shrinks to just a handful of shows and film producers around the country, we are forced to make this decision. Although the audiences are not the 600-700s of the '70s & '80, it has continued vibrant, often reaching more than 200. Certainly it is a disappointment to these loyal people, as well as Kathie & me. The problem lies in the fact that there simply are not enough film producers to support even a five-show season.

We look at this as an opportunity to get all those who have never seen a Travel-Adventure Film out next season. Talk to your friends, neighbors, children, and grandchildren to let them know this will be their final opportunity to experience this wonderful form of LIVE entertainment.

Where we are going next season...

Germany & Switzerland Guatemala: Land of the Maya Heart of San Francisco Red Rock Country: The Colorado River Plateau China: Beyond the Great Wall

As a courtesy to our audience and members we are extending our preseason ticket special through the month of April.

For more ticket information, contact Kathie at: 517-474-5227 or Kiwanis@gkveach.com

2018-2019 Pre-season tickets on sale through April. The cost is \$25.



KIWANIS APRIL 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Happy Easter!	2	3	4 <u>Board</u> <u>meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club	5 Happy Birthday Beth Philo	6 <u>Program</u> Community Hearing Center	7
	Movies – "Ferdinand" 2PM	Movies – "Ferdinand" 2PM	Movies – "Ferdinand" 2PM	Movies – "Ferdinand" 2PM	Movies – "Ferdinand" 2PM	
8 Happy Birthday Bill Cooke	9	10 Aktion Club meets 3:00pm	11 100 th bday mtg noon Hunt Club	12	13 <u>Program</u> : Economic Development	14 Happy Birthday Ron Markowski
15	16	17 Key Club meets weekly 2:30pm	18 <u>Board</u> <u>meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club Foundation meeting 1PM	19 Happy Birthday Jim Philo	20 <u>Program:</u> Health & Wellness Happy Birthday George Veach	21
22	23	24 Aktion Club meets 3:00pm	25	26 Happy Birthday Barry Malek	27 <u>Program:</u> Jackson Y Center	28
29	30	May 1	2 <u>Board</u> <u>meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club	3	4	5

MARK YOUR CALENDAR... August 17th - 100th Birthday Gala!