



Jackson Downtown Kiwanian

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Local: www.jacksonkiwanis.com / Facebook: The Kiwanis Club of Jackson, Michigan

District: www.mikiwanis.org / International: www.kiwanis.org

FEBRUARY 2016

“We Are Family”

Opportunities to participate:

Our chili golf is Saturday, January 30. If you have not signed up, come to Hankerd Hills Golf Course just to see what's going on. There is plenty of room indoors to mingle and have fun. We have hot dogs, brats and chili.

Big shout out to Ted Wilson for handling the Christmas bell ringing. We learned today that we collected over \$5200 for Salvation Army.

Big shout out to Jessica Mitchell, Chandra Howard and Andy Johnson for their technology presentation to the club on January 15th. What have you learned about our club from perusing our website, www.jacksonkiwanis.com ? Have you signed into the members only section and completed your profile? Did you add your photo? Have you shared our club's events on your Facebook page? Thanks to all who have!

Big shout out to Bob Johnson and his committee for handling the chili golf project.

Dick Hitch has officially announced his run as Lt. Governor for 2016/2017 for Michigan Kiwanis. We support him 100% as this would make him our state Kiwanis Governor in 2017/2018 – our club's 100th birthday year! We are proud to have him as a member of our club!

Our club is now accepting college scholarship applications. The criteria and application are on www.jacksonkiwanis.com The deadline is March 25th for four recipients to each receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

We had an interclub at Hillsdale on January 19. Our next interclub is planned for Morenci lunch on February 10th. It is their soup and pie annual fundraiser.

Our foundation board met on January 20. We had a very nominal return on investment of .47% for the year 2015. Please keep the foundation in mind for even a small memorial contribution from your estate. Get more informed through our web page: <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/16084>

We will participate in the Hillsdale Kiwanis annual Chili Cook Off contest on February 27th. Beth and Jim Philo and my wife Cathy and I will be trying hard for the first place trophy for our club. You are all welcome to come support this Hillsdale fund raising event!

Best regards, Don.



Kiwanis Club Officers

President
Don Schroeder
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Andy Johnson
Treasurer
Chandra Howard
Secretary
Joe Wolfe
Past President
Beth Philo

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Linda Brzezinski
Terry Langston
Mary Lou McFadden
Mary Anne Riley-Seamans
Jim Philo
Ted Wilson
Mike Zuchowski

Lt. Governor District 11

Bonnie Bartlett

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

JANUARY BOARD REPORT

- Funds on hand in early January: Administrative- \$2,863.00 Project Fund - \$27,754.00.
- Approved unanimous support to Dick Hitch for his bid as Lt. Governor of Michigan Kiwanis for 2016/2017.
- Approved participation in the Hillsdale club chili cook off fund raiser.
- Approved forming a 100th birthday committee for our club 2018 birthday.
- Approved donating one flag for the James Boneau fund raiser.
- Approved supporting a \$300 table at the spring Baker College Tea.
- Report on Bell Ringing – we manned 80 hours and raised \$5,204.00 which includes the \$1,800 raised at our skit meeting.
- Report on shoes & boots campaign – raised over \$10,000.00!

February Programs

February 5th – Travel Adventure Series Speaker

February 12th - Jackson Friendly Home

February 19th – Jackson City Manager, Pat Burch

February 26th – Jackson County Administrator, Mike Overton

30th CHILI GOLF CHARITY CLASSIC

Happening this Saturday, January 30, 2016 Check out details on our web page
<http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/16607>.



ROSTER CHANGES/UPDATES

This is the last call for any changes to our roster booklet. We need to have all changes by 2/10/16. Please tell Joe Wolfe any information that you feel is pertinent to members contacting you.



SHOP AT POLLY'S

We were so blessed to have the Kennedy family and Polly's donate \$3,000 worth of food for our **Racing for Dollars event** that I want every Kiwanis member to shop at Polly's to show them our thanks and appreciation. We stand to make \$10,000 off this raffle. You can also help the club by buying the Polly's food raffle tickets - \$20 per ticket. There will be three \$1,000 winners and you can't win if you don't have a ticket! See Beth Philo, Joe Wolfe or Dr. Jim O'Connor for tickets. Joe Wolfe

WINE, BOOZE, AND CRAFT BEERS

Another big piece for our **Racing for Dollars event** is the wine, booze & beer raffle. These raffles made about \$4,000 for the club. To keep the costs down, we would ask members to donate any kind of booze or wine or craft beers (off the shelf, not cold). The Racing for Dollars event is on February 21st, so we will take donations right up to that date. Bring them to any Kiwanis meeting or drop them off at Joe Wolfe's office (1203 First St). And thanks to all those who have already donated!

10th Annual Racing for Dollars Event

Check out details on our web page: <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/16606>



Kiwanis Travel & Adventure Film Series News

“Hot Spots --America’s Volcanic Legacy”



Thursday, February 4, 2016

Produced and Narrated by Gray Warriner

Hawaii is one of America's hot spots, but so are the frozen summits of the Aleutian Islands, and high, alpine parklands in the Pacific Northwest. Yellowstone's famous geysers and hot springs and the largest rapid in Arizona's Grand Canyon share something in common: volcanism! High, violent volcanoes punctuate the Pacific Northwest's Cascade Mountains. Life is returning to the base of Mt. St. Helens, but its 1980 eruption still scars the land. Join naturalist, Gray Warriner, as we visit the spectacular, towering giants along America's ring of fire: Mt. Rainier, Mt. Hood and Mt. Shasta. Walk perilously close to the edge of continuing lava flows on the big island of Hawaii, and peer into the 2000' indigo blue of Oregon's Crater Lake, the clearest waters in the world.

544 Wildwood Ave, Jackson, MI

When – Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Where we are going this season...

3/3/2016 Mediterranean

3/31/2016 France

February Sponsor:

**Trellis Gardens at
Vista Grande Villa**

Technology Lesson Recap

Facebook page: If you're on Facebook, please like our page (The Kiwanis Club of Jackson, Michigan). Please share our events and news on your personal page, so we can reach more people! We have 243 "likes," including about 50 of our own members. We share events, news and photos. This is a great marketing tool for our club. If you do not have a Facebook account, you can still check the page by clicking on the Facebook icon on our homepage of our website.

Website: Our club website is: www.jacksonkiwanis.com Anyone can look at this website. Please take a few minutes to look through it, and learn something new (such as the name of one of the early leaders of Kiwanis International, who came from Jackson), read it here <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/9614> or how much money Racing for Dollars has raised, read it here <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/16606>).

You can look at our newsletters online by going here:

<http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/9581> When you're out and about, and want to look at our

monthly calendar, you can go here: <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/9397> Look at photos of club activities here: <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/9398>

Share our club projects and events, by going to our website and clicking on the projects section of the menu on the left side of your screen. You can see upcoming events and programs and learn about our good deeds by looking at the News section on the right side of your screen. Our Foundation and Donate Now sections have ways people can give to our club.

Have a friend who might want to join our club? **Invite them to visit our membership page here** <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/10580>

We also have a Contact Us page; **we have received dozens of emails from community members through this (with comments about our Flag Project, inquiries about being a future program speaker, questions about how to purchase Nuts or Travel Adventure Film tickets, how to make a donation in memory of a Kiwanian, etc.).**

The club website is a great marketing tool. **The public learns a lot about our club from it; and we have received much positive feedback from community leaders and other Kiwanis Clubs about how easy it is to navigate and how thorough it is on explaining the good deeds our club does. Please take some time to look through it.**

Member Login - **On the bottom of the menu on the left side of your screen, you will find the Member Login section. This is only for members of our club. Click on the Member Only section. If you have never done so, you will need to see up an account (your username is your email address that you gave to the club, you will have to select and remember/write down your password). Once you have an account, please explore what it has to offer, such as:**

Members button (on the left side of your screen): listing of all members (with photo if I have it), email address, and your profile. Feel free to check out members' photos so you can become better versed at who is who! On the top of this page, you will find a Printable Directory. Select what information you want (email, date joined, birthday, etc.) and you can download it to a pdf or excel file. Committees (left side of screen): Lists the committees we have with members.

Emails: You can click on Compose and write an email to your committee. All you have to do is type in Bell Ringing or Scholarship (or whatever your committee is); you don't have to individually type the members' names.

This is a lot of information. No one expects you to learn all of this now, or become an expert at it now. Take your time, but please take the time over the next couple of months. Click here: <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/> In the future, we hope to meet with Committee Chairs to review the Members Only section. Thank you for your support on using our website, to make our lives easier and to make us more connected to our club! Jessica Mitchell - Web Master (web oversight) & Content Manager (enters articles and photos onto website and Facebook.

Andy Johnson - IT Support (helps you with the computer and login questions)

Calendar Manager (enters events and meetings into calendar)

Document Manager (file folder and document manager)

KIWANIS FEBRUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Jan. 30 th Chili Golf Classic	1	2 Happy Birthday Sandy Eisele	3 Board meeting 12 noon Hunt Club	4 Travel Film: 7 p.m. Jackson H.S.	5 Program: Film Series Speaker	6
7	8	9 Key Club 2:35 p.m. Aktion Club 3:00 Church of Nazarene	10	11	12 Program: Jackson Friendly Home	13
14 Happy Birthday Ken Hickey	15	16 Key Club 2:35 p.m.	17 Board meeting 12 noon Hunt Club Happy Birthday Jeff Sekerke	18	19 Program: Jackson City Manager	20
21 10 th Annual Racing for Dollars Community Event	22	23 Aktion Club 3 p.m.	24	25 Newsletter Deadline	26 Program: Jackson County Administrator	27
28	29	March 1	2	3	4	5 Jackson Women's Expo

Birthdays acknowledged are taken from online member information. If yours is wrong – go to our web page/member login to correct the date, then inform Beth.

Remember our club foundation in your will or estate planning.

Save the Date - Prayer Breakfast – Thursday, May 5th 7:30 a.m.