



Jackson Downtown Kiwanian

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“We Are Family”

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our Kiwanis family. May we be blessed with a stress-reduced holiday season.

There are upcoming opportunities to participate in the Chili Golf Classic on January 30 and Racing for Dollars on February 21st.

January 15, we will have a presentation at the Friday meeting to show everybody how to navigate the Kiwanis website and Facebook page. Please plan to attend.



Shout outs:

Joe Wolfe for the Newspaper Sale and the skit. The skit was a huge success with the room full of members and guests. Newspaper sales are near \$10,000 and money is still coming in.

Ron Sondergeld for Nut and candy sales. Sold out early this year.

Mary Lou Mc Fadden for candle sales. Did very well this year.

Ted Wilson for bell ringing. Weather was cold on December 19th. Our volunteers came through. We are waiting for totals collected for Salvation Army.

Big thank you to everyone that participated in the newspaper sale, bell ringing and administrative fund raising projects.



CALL TO ACTION:

Hope to see everyone at least one meeting in January.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at [517-262-7421](tel:517-262-7421) or email Don49201@gmail.com

All the best
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January 1st
January 8th
January 15th
January 22nd
January 29th

January Programs!
NO MEETING – Happy New Year!
TAS Film Presenter
Technology Lesson & White Elephant Sale
St. Luke’s Clinic, Dr. Jim O’Connor
Round table

<u>Kiwanis Club Officers</u> President Don Schroeder President-Elect Rick Mills Vice President Andy Johnson Treasurer Chandra Howard Secretary Joe Wolfe Past President Beth Philo	<u>Board Directors</u> Linda Brzezinski Terry Langston Mary Lou McFadden Mary Anne Riley-Seamans Jim Philo Ted Wilson Mike Zuchowski <u>Lt. Governor District 11</u> Bonnie Bartlett	<u>Club Meetings</u> Friday Meetings at noon Cascades Manor House 1970 Kibby Rd <u>Board Meetings</u> 1 st and 3 rd Wednesday noon at the Hunt Club <u>Newsletter Editor</u> Beth Philo
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Roster Changes

Now that our membership is reconciled for this year, it is time to put the roster together again. Please let me know if there are any changes or additions that you would like under your listing in the roster. If your email address is not in the roster, please provide that as we are using email more and more to communicate. You can email change information to me at: jwolfe@theprotectioncenter.com Thanks, Secretary Joe

ANNUAL SKIT REPORT

Wow! Another great skit is now in our history books. Friday took us to the tropics, as the cast, under the direction of writer Joe Wolfe, performed a Kiwanis version of Gilligan’s Island. Thanks to actors Suzy, Eileen, Tom, Ted, Therese, Kelly, Bob and Dick, and announcer Don. They brainstormed ways to make their island better, from opening up a country club and a bakery to creating a Kiwanis Club. Gilligan was elected club President and his first duty was to sell Kiwanis Newspapers. The skit included references to U of M and MSU football, coconuts and of course the good deeds of Kiwanis. Many in the audience laughed. To see photos, check out our club’s Facebook page, or go to our club’s website: <http://jacksonkiwanis.com/Page/9398> and click on Kiwanis Skit 2015. At Friday’s meeting, we also passed around the red kettle. Our club donated \$1,000 to the Salvation Army; members and guests also made donations. Thank you to all who gave! We do this because the Salvation Army gives up its bell ringing sites and lets us have them, for our Newspaper Sale.

Lunch at the Interfaith Shelter

December 15th We served sub sandwiches to order with all the condiments, pear slices, potato chips, chocolate chip cookies and fruit punch to about 100 people. Kiwanis members that participated include Dick Erhardt, Eileen Lehnert, Rick Mills, Andy Johnson and Don Schroeder.

Newspaper Sale Update

As of this writing (12/18/15) we have collected about \$9,500 in Newspaper Sale revenue. However, I know there is still money out. If you could bring the money to Joe Wolfe's office, especially if you have donations by checks, it would be helpful for our accounting and to send thank you's to those who donated. Also, there are still Gold and Silver pledges that have not been paid. If you are in doubt whether or not you paid your commitment, simply contact Joe (787-1704 or 740-3008 or jwolfe@theprotectioncenter.com). Thank you to Andy, Tom and Stephanie for meeting the Leo Harley challenge (raising over \$500 each). We are confident the total will exceed \$10,000! Thanks to all who worked in some capacity – 86% of the membership contributed in some way to the Newspaper Sale. God Bless all of you!

Technology Reminder - To view photos of our activities go to our website: www.jacksonkiwanis.com. Click on Events (on the left side of your screen), then photo gallery.

White Elephant Sale

January 15th – in addition to a program about navigating the Kiwanis web through our program today -- bring the Christmas gifts you won't use and maybe another Kiwanian will find it to be just what they were hoping for! Let's bring some fun stuff and plan to go home with one or two different items. The funds being raised through this fun exchange this will go to the Eliminate Project (which extended its project deadline).



30th CHILI GOLF CHARITY CLASSIC

Saturday, January 30, 2016 promises to be a great FAMILY day of fun from 9am – 3pm at Hankerd Hills Golf Course. We play golf in the snow! You don't have to know how to play golf – in fact – it is a lot more fun if you don't know the rules! Build a sled for your golf supplies and it just might win a prize! Food is provided with the cost of the event. We are looking for committee. The next meeting is January 5th at 6pm at the incubator building downtown. Bob Johnson is chairing again. Thank you, Bob.

10th Annual Racing for Dollars Event

Sunday, February 21, 2016! A great community fund raiser, scheduled every year, on top of the Nascar Daytona 500 race. With the help of 3 area non profits, our club raises \$20,000 each year, through this event, for St. Luke's Medical Clinic. Residual profits are divided among the organizations who helped plan the event. So – once again – mark your calendar for Sunday, February 21, 2016 and plan to join us at the Gene Davis Catering Center from 12:30 – 5:00pm with your favorite date! Stay tuned to for more information! Or better yet- volunteer to help on the planning committee! Next meeting is December 3rd, 8am at Steve's ranch restaurant Contact Jim O'Connor.

Shop at Polly's Country Markets

Please support Polly's. They are donating \$3,000 worth of food coupons for Racing for Dollars! We will use these in a raffle replacing the John Deere tractor raffle this year. Tickets are being sold by the Racing for Dollars committee at a cost of \$20 a ticket and you will have 3 chances (out of 500 tickets) to win \$1,000 in food coupons (10 - \$100 coupons). Even if you don't think you could use the coupons, you can always re-gift them to an individual or a charity, like the Interfaith or Aware Shelters. This is very generous of the Kennedy family and Polly's who have supported Racing for Dollars for all 10 years!

NAME <hr/> ADDRESS <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> PHONE <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Sample</p> <hr/>	<p><i>Polly's Country Market</i> <i>3 Chances to Win</i> <i>\$1,000 in FREE FOOD</i> <i>500 tickets to support the 10th</i> <i>Annual Kiwanis</i> <i>Racing for Dollars Event</i> <i>February 21, 2016</i> <i>Support St. Lukes Clinic, A.D.A.M.(Another Day, Another Memory), Youth Advisory Committee of the Jackson Community Foundation, Rotary Foundation & the Kiwanis Club of Jackson.</i> <i>Sample</i> <i>Donation \$20.00</i></p>
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Wine, Booze & Craft Beer

Racing for Dollars makes a lot of money every year from the wine & booze raffle (and last year we added craft beer). This is "pure profit" because of donations of the product. Therefore, we are in need of any kind of wine or booze that you would like to donate. Same true with the craft beer, except we would ask that these be non-refrigerated (right off the shelf) as we have no way to keep them cold until February 21st. You can bring your donation to any Friday meeting or drop them off at Joe Wolfe's office.

Kiwanis Travel & Adventure Film Series News

“CHINA Rising”

Thursday, January 7, 2016
Produced by Dale Johnson

As youngsters we heard, “...if you drill straight down through the Earth you would come out in China”. That comprised just about the sum total of our knowledge of China. Perhaps the improvement in knowledge since then has been slight. We all know of our foreign aid program for China. Not a Congressional Act, but enormous amounts of U.S. dollars to China, sent through the conduit of Wal-mart. Come along as Dale Johnson investigates just where China, its culture and economy stands today. This is a fascinating journey that takes not only to the major

cities of Shanghai (and its 24 million people) and Beijing, but also near Russian Siberia, to a farming region that reminds you more of Iowa than the Far East.



Where – Jackson High School Auditorium
544 Wildwood Ave, Jackson, MI
When – Thursday, January 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Where we are going this season...
1/7/2016 China
2/4/2016 America’s Volcanic Legacy
3/3/2016 Mediterranean
3/31/2016 France

January Sponsor:

JTV & County National Bank

For more ticket information, contact Kathie at: 517-474-5227
or

Kiwanis@gkveach.com

Aktion Club

We had our Christmas Party in the Gym of the First Church of the Nazarene and made Christmas cards for the Jackson Friendly Home. We welcomed a new group of members from the Renaissance Home on Parnall Road, invited by Julie Salyer. Time for eating the many refreshments left no time to play games, brought by Mary Turk. Santa (invited by Julie Salyer) led the group with many spirited Christmas carols. We had a great time! Merry Christmas to all of our Kiwanis friends!

KIWANIS JANUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <u>No meeting:</u> 	2
3	4 Builders Club 2:45 p.m.	5 Key Club 2:35 p.m. Aktion Club 3:00 Church of Nazarene	6 <u>Board meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club	7 Travel Film: 7 p.m. Jackson H.S.	8 <u>Program:</u> Film Series Speaker	9
10	11	12 Key Club 2:35 p.m.	13 Happy Birthday Bob Johnson & Kyle Jansen	14	15 <u>Program:</u> <u>Technology lesson & white elephant sale</u> Happy Birthday George Gancos	16
17 Happy Birthday David Ray	18 Happy Birthday Reg Fennell & Linda Brzezinski	19 Aktion Club 3 p.m. Happy Birthday Bob Malott	20 <u>Board meeting</u> 12 noon Hunt Club	21 Newsletter Deadline	22 <u>Program:</u> St. Luke's Clinic	23 Happy Birthday Dick Erhardt
24/31 31 - Happy Birthday Mary Lou McFadden & Joe Wolfe	25	26 Key Club 2:35 p.m.	27 Happy Birthday Jim Touse	28	29 <u>Program:</u> Round table Happy Birthday Terry Langston	30 Chili Golf Classic  Happy Birthday Harold Miller

Save the Date

10th Annual Racing for Dollars Community Event: Sunday, February 21, 2016