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Kiwanis Club of Jackson

Serving the Children of the World Since 1918

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What a wonderful sight it is as one travels through our community. Between the flowers and trees that have blossomed, the spring and summer sports activities, and the American Flags that line our streets, we have much to celebrate. Thank you to all who have committed time and energy to ensuring that our flags were planted for Memorial Day and will continue to do so through each of our holidays. Through the leadership of Beth Philo, Mary Csage, and Dave Gould collectively, we offer the opportunity for this important tradition to be sustained.

Our service to our community and its young people continues in the upcoming week, as our Jackson Kiwanis helps our families and their students celebrate the close of the 2024-25 school year. I am confident that the opening of the Splash Pad along with the pizza and ice cream our Kiwanis Club serves, will result in smiles on the faces of many little people in our community. Thank you to Dennis Depra for all that you do to make this important event possible.

I appreciate the efforts to grow membership for our Jackson Kiwanis Club. Additionally, the interest in our high school Key Clubs has increased. In the current fiscal year, we have grown by eight members with two potential members still to commit. I believe that we can increase this to twelve new members by October 1. Continue your efforts to invite guests to our Friday meetings, as our meetings are foundational to membership growth. Our Jackson Kiwanis Club maintains its strength as a direct result of its member loyalty to tradition and mission.

As a service organization, the Jackson Kiwanis Club provides a strong sense of community dedicated to the awareness and active participation in its community. We are visible and take ideas to action. Recently, interest was shared regarding the possibility of making the ordering of Kiwanis apparel available again, adding to our visibility. If you have interest, please let Beth Philo know. If interest is strong enough, we will make ordering available.

Appreciate the summer months ahead, as each of us contributes to being a positive difference in our community.

Barb

Welcome New Kiwanis Members

Welcome to our youngest member, Max Rappleye. Max is sponsored by Brock Spink. He is married to Taylor and has one son, Beau. We look forward to working with him on our upcoming projects.



Welcome back Ted Wilson to the Jackson Club. Ted transferred from the Alcoa, TN club. He is the ultimate volunteer and we are excited to work with Ted on many projects again!

We are pleased to welcome Cassidy Taylor to our club. Cassidy started volunteering at age 12 and has been going strong since then, doing clean up after Hurricane Katrina, helping children on an Indian Reservation in Minnesota, and delivering water to families in Flint during the water crisis. She looks forward to expanding her horizons serving the kiddos of the Jackson community with our club.



Aktion Club 8th Annual Bowl-A-Thon Sponsors Needed



The Jackson Aktion Club is hosting the 8th Annual Bowl-A-Thon on Saturday, June 7th. The proceeds from the event will go to Sleeping Children Around the World. <http://www.scaw.org>.

Bowlers are provided with a t-shirt and the Aktion Club is in need of sponsors for the shirts. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact Cheri Johnson at cherijohnson03@gmail.com or Mary Turk at mary@pcsjxn.com.

Lt Governor Mary Csage 2025 - 2026



Mary Csage and Bonnie Barlett

On May 3rd at Kiwanis One, Mary Csage was elected by the members of Division 11 to be the next Lt. Governor. Congratulations Mary !!

Back to School Blast



We will be collecting new or gently used books for children ages 4 - 18 for the "Back to School Blast." The deadline is June 27th. Please give the books to Sally Wingle or put them in the storage closet at the Manor House after the Friday meetings.

Kiwanis Park

Kiwanis Park is ready for summer! We've pulled weeds, trimmed bushes, laid fresh mulch, and planted Kiwanis flags. Drive by and enjoy the beauty of our park!



Kiwanis Park Picnic Tables

One of the picnic tables at Kiwanis Park has been damaged. It looks like someone used a grill on the table, leaving burn marks. We plan to schedule a workday to flip the tabletop and restore it to its original appearance.



June Calendar of Events

Wednesday, June 4 - Kiwanis Zoom
Board Meeting Noon

**Friday, June 6 - Splash Pad
Celebration - Members will be serving
pizza & ice cream. No Friday Meeting
at the Manor House**

**Saturday, June 7 - Aktion Club
Bowlathon University Lanes, 16653 E
Michigan Ave, Albion, MI 49224**

Friday, June 13 - Ted Christoff &
Georgia Fojtasek Saving the Mechanic
Street Railroad Bridge

Wednesday, June 18 - Zoom Board
Meeting Noon

Friday, June 20 - Jane Flores - General
Manager Jackson Crossing

Friday, June 27 - Kirk Root - The
Famous Jackson Zouaves



Our mission is to provide adults living with disabilities an opportunity to use their abilities, develop leadership skills and serve their communities.



Key Club is a student-led, high school organization. Our members make the world a better place through service. In doing so, we grow as individuals and as leaders by answering the call to lead, summoning the courage to engage and developing the heart to serve.

