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Future Programs/Events

April 12 John Ruther Fraud
April 19 David Debruyn The Webb Space Telescope
April 23 Bikes for the Rest of Us Mary Free Bed
April 26 Matt Chapman and Jay D. Steffen Restoring the Rapids
April 28 & 29 Terrific Kids
May 3 Lori Tennenhouse Girls Choral Academy
May 3 St Alphonsus Supper House

The club meets every Tuesday from 11:30AM to 12:30PM.
Kent Country Club
1600 College Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49505
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**Always remember—
#KidsNeedKiwaniis**

PROGRAMS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED



Glaves Whitney spoke about President Gerald R Ford and his legacy. The strongest trait and attribute of President Ford was his virtuous life. He was one of few presidents that did not have any scandals associated with his time in office. In 2001 Ford received the John F. Kennedy "Profile In Courage" award for taking a political risk of pardoning former President Richard Nixon after Watergate. Many believe that pardon cost Ford the 1976 presidential election. The award is given annually to an elected official who followed his conscience despite the political cost.

Sarah Reid and Tim Lopez from Kids' Food Basket gave us an update on childhood hunger. Kids' Food basket provides approximately 9,000 sack suppers to students across West Michigan. They have three locations for food packaging in Grand Rapids, Muskegon and Holland. They receive very little in federal funding and private donors and corporations make up the majority of their funding. They have a farm where they grow food and teach children about where food comes from.



Gregg Dimkoff is a professor at the GVSU Seidman College of Business and spoke to the club about Avoiding Financial Scams. Seniors are one of the top targets for scams. They typically have money, are trusting, and may have reduced mental capacity. He discussed the most common types of scams including the FBI's 10 top 10 scams. Even some of the smartest people can become victims of financial scams.

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The primary purpose of this club is to improve the quality of life for children and families worldwide by adhering to the Objects of Kiwanis International. The objectives were approved in 1924 and through the decades, they have remained unchanged.

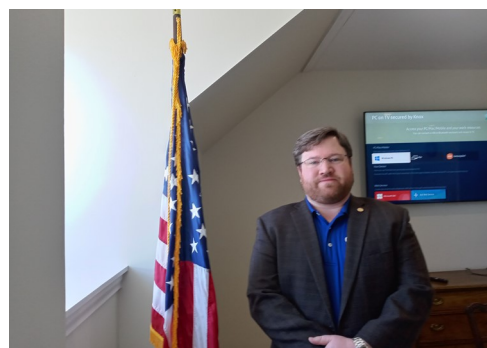
- To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the material values of life.
- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
- To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
- To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities.
- To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.

MORE PROGRAMS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED



Tyler Smies with the First Tee, spoke about this golf program. They not only teach kids about the sport of golf but provide important values and lessons for life and learning. They provide courses at little or no cost to the students. Even during the winter months they still practice some of their golf skills and complete their homework from school. Some of the students go on to receive college scholarships.

Nicholas Baine, PhD. with GVSU spoke about hybrid and electric vehicles and compared them to gas powered ones. The battery charging has improved greatly but there are significant limitations. Older neighborhoods may not be ready for the heavy load on the electrical grid. Recycling the batteries can still be a challenge.



April



- 4 Sarah Pastoor
- 17 Dan Williams
- 23 Shandy Longcore

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 Facebook:: [Kiwanis Grand Rapids North](https://www.facebook.com/Kiwanis-Grand-Rapids-North)
 Twitter: [kiwanisqr](https://twitter.com/kiwanisqr)

CLUB SERVICE RECAP

Terrific Kids Awards

Hours Total — 10

Members Involved — 3

Children served—50

Employment Ministry

Hours Total — 10

Members Involved — 1

Children Served — 3

“Quotable Notables”

“One who deceives will always find ways to be discovered” - Machiavelli

“Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out.” — Robert Collier

“Of all possessions a friend is the most precious.” - Herodotus



Kiwanis Trivia

The first Kiwanis International convention staged outside the United States and Canada was in Vienna, Austria, in 1983. The event commemorated the 20th anniversary of the organization of the Vienna club, which was the first in Europe.