

**GRAND RAPIDS** 



http://www.kiwanisgrandrapids.org

**November 2023** 

Dan Williams, President Linda Paige, Secretary Sarah Pastoor, Treasurer Linda Paige, Editor

### **Future Programs/Events**

# December 12

Michelle Hatfield North (East) Pole Christmas Store

# December 19

Girls Choral Academy

# December 26

No Meeting Merry Christmas

# January 2

Kiwanis Year in Review

# January 9

Regular Meeting

# January 16

Bruce Oosterhouse Football Sign Stealing

January 25 & 25
Terrific Kids

# PROGRAMS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

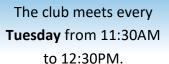


The club introduced our newest member, Brenda Eller. President Dan Williams (left) and her sponsor Larry Goodlander (right) presided over her induction. Brenda is retired from working in the plastics industry and is a proud great grandmother. Welcome to the club, we are thrilled to have you.

Lyn VanTol, Executive Director of the Noorthoek Academy, talked about the history of the Academy and their classes. The Kiwanis Club of Grand Rapids has been a part of the academy for more than 20 years. Their program at Grand Rapids Community College was the first in the nation for higher education for adults with disabilities. To enroll in the program the student must have attended four years of high school with a certificate of completion. If the students complete the Noorthoek program



they can receive an honorary degree. The academy has 95 students that range in age from 18 to 73.



# **Shots on the River**

5760 W River Dr NE, Belmont, MI 49306 616-951-6071

Always remember— #KidsNeedKiwanis



Project Linus provides handmade blankets to children 0-18 who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need. Vicki and Gary Potgeter run the local chapter. Since 1995 volunteers delivered more than 9,356,325 blankets. The local chapter delivered 2,388 blankets last year. Several stores collect blankets and Vicki gathers them and distributes them to 16 different agencies around West Michigan.

# **Club Contact Information**

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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



Rick and Lindsey Alvarez with Revolution Styling spoke about their business with ceramic protection, wrapping and detailing for cars. The process is complicated and they specialize in customer service. They have cars both locally and from across the country that come to them for their unique process of protecting your investment.





U.S. children are food insecure.

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low-income families do not own any books.

# YOUTH LEADERS



have a greater chance of pursuing higher education.

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Facebook:: <u>Kiwanis Grand Rapids North</u>

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# **CLUB SERVICE RECAP**

# Mentor at Northview High School

Hours Total — 2 Members Involved — 1 Children served—1

### **Terrific Kids Awards**

Hours Total — 10 Members Involved — 10 Children served—50

# **Tutoring at Palmer**

Hours Total — 2 Members Involved — 1 Children served — 2

# **Key Club Mentoring**

Hours Total — 1 Members involved —1 Children served — 15

### **CNA Gardens**

Hours Total — 13 Members Involved — 2 Non members — 1

### **NECM Supper House**

Hours Total — 7 Members Involved — 3 Children Served—50

# "QUOTABLE NOTABLES"

"Success is nothing more than a few simple disciplines, practiced every day." - Jim Rohn

"Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." - Confucius

"Give thanks for a little and you will find a lot." - Hansa Proverb



# December



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# **Kiwanis Trivia**

Kiwanis became an international organization in November 1916 with the creation of the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton in Ontario, Canada. However, the organization's official name, "Kiwanis Club," was not changed to "Kiwanis International" until the Constitutional Convention in Denver in 1924.