



# Kiwaniis<sup>®</sup>

## GRAND RAPIDS



<http://www.kiwanisgrandrapids.org>

August 2024

### PROGRAMS YOU MAY HAVE MISSED

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

#### Future Programs/Events

September 10 Regular Meeting
September 10 Board Meeting
September 17 Regular Meeting
September 24 Regular Meeting
September 26 & 27 Terrific kids
September 28 Noorthoek Academy Big Step Walk
October 1 Regular Meeting



Steve Rogal is a retired software manager who traveled monthly to New York City for meetings. He spoke to the club about his experience traveling to NYC on September 11, 2001. His plane landed at 8:30 in the morning and as he traveled in a taxi to his meeting the first plane hit the tower. He described the ensuing gridlock and chaos with the towers collapsing. A coworker rented a car for him and he made his way to

PA and eventually back to Michigan.

Jessica Johns and Michaela Krull with [Storehouse of Community Resources](#) talked about their nonprofit. Their main purpose is to connect corporations with products to nonprofits in need of supplies that support their missions. Millions of dollars in goods pass through their warehouse every year. See more about their work below: <https://vimeo.com/935099363/ec0a27babf?share=copy>



The club meets every **Tuesday** from 11:30AM to 12:30PM.  
**Shots on the River**  
5760 W River Dr NE,  
Belmont, MI 49306  
616-951-6071  
Always remember—  
**#KidsNeedKiwaniis**



We give new members to our Kiwanis club \$200 to donate to the charity of their choice. Our new member Brenda chose to donate her money to Jessica Johns and Michaela Krull with [Storehouse of Community Resources](#)

**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.

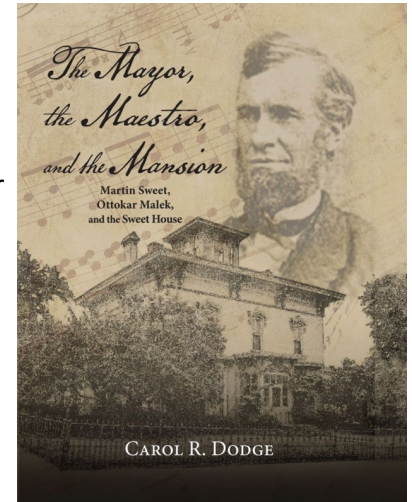
- To give primacy to the human and spiritual, rather than to the material values of life.
- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
- To develop, by precept and example, 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



Carol Dodge is the Author of "The Mayor, the Maestro and the Mansion". She talked about the book and the history of a couple of people that helped to make Grand Rapids flourish.

Martin Sweet was a businessman with many endeavors and was mayor of Grand Rapids in 1860. He built the [Sweet House](#). Famous musician Ottakar Malek moved into the house and started the Malek School of Music.



Our own Pat Newcombe was the presenter of the day. Our newest member Brenda needed to have her new member orientation and we decided that it would be a great time to have a refresher for the entire club. He discussed the entire organization. He also covered our club and the projects we are involved in that help the children of the greater Grand Rapids area.

## September



- 11 Megan Erskine
- 16 Bruce Warber
- 18 Tim Breadon
- 18 Marilyn Perski

We are on the web: [kiwanisgrandrapids.org](http://kiwanisgrandrapids.org)  
 Facebook:: [Kiwanis Grand Rapids North](#)  
 Twitter: [kiwanisgr](#)

## CLUB SERVICE RECAP

### **Terrific Kids**

Working with Kent Hells Elementary on new programs  
Hours Total — 2

Members Involved — 1

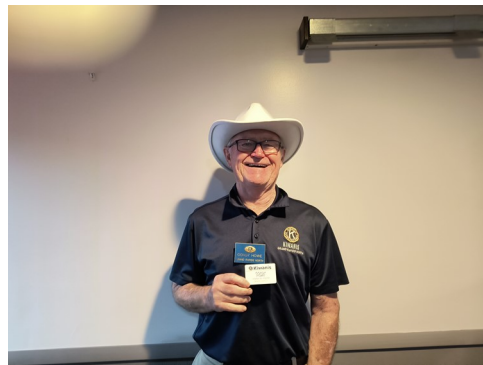
## **“QUOTABLE NOTABLES”**

*“No day shall erase you from the memory of time.”* - Roman poet Virgil

*“Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile.”* - Albert Einstein

*“Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence”* - Vince Lombardi

*“The great generosity of the Kiwanis is what's become legend. The services you perform reach beyond the direct beneficiaries to embrace all of America in a community of caring. You represent America's heart -- good, strong, knowing. You give generously, and you give well, often putting comparable government programs to shame.”* - Ronald Reagan speaking at the Kiwanis Convention July 6, 1987



Gordy Howe was a member of the Kiwanis club until he retired and eventually moved to Alabama. He came back for a surprise visit. It was nice to catch up and see his smiling face

## MONEY DONATED

Storehouse of Community Resources  
**\$200**

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## **Kiwanis Trivia**

Kiwanis Peanut Day began with the participation of eight clubs in Chicago in September 1951. With limited publicity and experience, the clubs managed to raise more than US\$18,000 in one day. Since then, more than US\$60 million has been raised by Kiwanis clubs via Kiwanis Peanut Day. In fact, the event has become the most successful coordinated one-day fundraising program in Kiwanis history.