

February 2010



Serving the Children of Grand Rapids and the World
Meeting Every Tuesday at 12:00 noon at the Radisson at Ann Street and US 131

Kiwanis Grand Rapids North

Programs You May Have Missed

FEBRUARY 2

Sam Patrick, All Star Glass

- Your windshield is more than a wind shield; it is an important part of your car's structural integrity and safety
- Aquapel is a teflon coating for repelling water
- Headlight resurfacing can brighten dull headlights
- More information: mywindshieldguy.com

FEBRUARY 9

Dr. Fahner, DeVos Children's Hospital

- Serving northern Michigan counties
- New facility open 2011 including a pediatric oncology floor, pediatric clinics for day stays and outpatient clinics across Michigan Ave.
- Kiwanis donation of \$3,000 for the "We Do Care" network (see attached Thank You card)

FEBRUARY 16

Mrs. Joan Johnson, Blodgett Burn Camp

- Camp is a partnership of Spectrum Health, Bronson and Univ. of Mich. Health
- Held at Camp Manitoulin, Sunday thru Friday; may be the only week burned kids feel normal; camp serves 50-60 children aged 7-17
- Cost is \$500/kid covered by donations

FEBRUARY 23

Bob Mills, Zambezi Hunters

- April 2009 safari hunt in Zimbabwe with son Bobby
- Bob hunted giraffe — Bobby hunted water buffalo
- Each bagged an Impala (not the car) and Bobby show a zebra

Printer Cartridge Recycling

President John has made arrangements with the TMH Corporation for recycling of printer cartridges (see attached brochure). If you can host a recycle box, check with John — TMH will pick them up when the box is full.

- Recycling Helps Keep Mother Earth a Wonderful Place for Future Generations
- Recycling Keeps Hundreds of Thousands of Tons of Plastic Out of Our Landfills; Plastics Take 450 Years to Decompose
- Recycling as an Industry has Created 103,000 Jobs
- Recycling Conserves Resources and Energy by Reducing our Dependency on Raw Materials

Email membership news items to Roger Brook at kiwanisgr@gmail.com

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Quotable Notables

February 2

Friends: Lots of people want to ride with you in the lime, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the lime breaks down.

Oprah Winfrey

February 9

Sometimes we are so busy adding up our troubles that we forget to count our blessings.

God's Little Instruction Book

February 16

Silver Lining: The world breaks everyone and afterward many are stronger at the broken places.

Ernest Hemingway

February 23

What Really Matters: What is the real subject of life—to get rich? All of those fellows out there getting rich could be dancing around the real subject of life.

Paul Volcker, economist

Life isn't about surviving the storm, it's about dancing in the rain

Member News and Happy Dollars

February 2

- Marv — 53 years of Kiwanis membership
- Gordy — grandson Chase Edward
- Roger Williams — grandson wrestling medal
- Norm — grandson athlete of the month
- Terry — granddaughter working at Disney

February 16

- Roger Brook — birthday (more than 39)
- Mike Koelzer — Saints win and children are not longer West Catholic Geese
- John Bigari — great programs
- Reid McClelland — made it to 2010

Coming Programs and Events

March 2

Program: Peter Varga from The Rapid

March 9

Alert Labs/ Making Sobriety Attractive Theatre Troupe - Carla Jackson and Kenowa Hills HS
1:00 pm Board Meeting

March 16

Becki Agar - Conductive Learning Center

March 20

10 am — 2 pm: Disability Advocates **Walk & Roll** fundraiser at Rogers Plaza in Wyoming

March 23

Dave Smith, Employers' Association

April 10

Spring Divisional — Div. 13&14, Governors Visit, 5:00 PM

April 13

1:00 pm Board Meeting

May is Membership Month

Who will you invite? Most people will not attend without an invite!

June 4

Kiwanis Caledonia golf outing at Briarwood; \$280 for a team of four participants

June 7

District Golf Tournament, Lansing

June 10-12

Texas Hold'Em Poker — 2 or 3 hour shifts each nite

June 24-27

Kiwanis International Convention, Las Vegas, NV

July 15-17 and August 26-28

Texas Hold'Em Poker — 2 or 3 hour shifts each nite

Upcoming Program Responsibility

- March — Jason VanDam
- April — Linda Paige
- May — Bill Weitzel

KIWANIS GRAND RAPIDS

**Located in Grand Rapids,
Michigan, and dedicated to
Serving the children and
youth of the greater Grand
Rapids Area.**

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KIWANIS—Serving the Children of the World

Purpose: To improve the quality of life for children and families.

Mission: Kiwanis is a global organization of men, women and youth dedicated to serving the children of the world and improving the quality of their life.

Objectives:

- To give primacy to human and spiritual rather than to the material values of like.
- To encourage 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.

Club Service Recap

Charities Budget to Date

Youth Services

- Dictionary Project — \$979.20

Churchill Fund Service Leadership

- Michigan Foundation — \$1,320.00
- Youth Services Fund — \$165.00
- Kiwanis International Fund — \$155.00
- Spiritual Care Consultants — \$500.00

HUMOR: Advice for the Holidays

1. Avoid carrot sticks. In fact, if you see carrots, leave immediately. Go next door, where they're serving rum balls.
2. Drink as much eggnog as you can. And quickly. It's rare.. Who cares that it has 10,000 calories in every sip?
3. If something comes with gravy, use it. That's the whole point of gravy. Gravy does not stand alone.
4. As for mashed potatoes, always ask if they're made with skim milk or whole milk. If it's skim, pass. Why bother? It's like buying a sports car with an automatic transmission.
5. Do not have a snack before going to a party in an effort to control your eating. The whole point of going to a holiday party is to eat other people's food for free .. Lots of it. Hello?
6. Under no circumstances should you exercise before the holiday. You can do that after the holiday.
7. If you come across something really good at a buffet table, like frosted cookies, position yourself near them and don't budge. Have as many as you can before becoming the center of attention.
8. Same for pies. Apple, Pumpkin, Mincemeat. Have a slice of each. Or if you don't like mincemeat, have two apple and one pumpkin. Always have three.
9. Did someone mention fruitcake? Granted, it's loaded with the mandatory celebratory calories, but avoid it at all cost. I mean, have some standards.
10. One final tip: If you don't feel terrible when you leave the party or get up from the table, you haven't been paying attention. Re-read tips; start over.



“Making a Difference”

Kiwanis North Grand Rapids is located in Grand Rapids, Michigan and dedicated to serving the children and youth of the greater Grand Rapids Area.

Contact us at kiwanisgrandrapids.org

Empty Toner & Ink Cartridge Collection



Fax, Printer & Copier Cartridges



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Partnering with:



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Thank you for your generosity, the money you have donated will help many families with the high costs of living a child with a life threatening illness - whether that be gas + transportation, medical care not covered by insurance or daycare needs weren't due to my income/unemployment & are a born care provider. Thank you so much - it is so appreciated!
Kimberly Stender Social Worker

Thank you for all you do for our families. Your support is greatly appreciated.
Brenda Thornton Social Worker

Thank you so much for your generous donation to the We Do Care Fund. Many, many families struggle with financial strain due to lost income when caring for a sick child. Our fund helps bridge the gap for many.
Mary Ann, Social Worker

The We Do Care Fund helps our families so very much & is a huge resource of support for them! Thank you!
Kelly Social Worker

Dear Kiwanis Friends,
Our most heartfelt thanks for your magnificent gift to the Kiwanis We Do Care Emergency Fund. Our children and families in fierce battles against childhood cancer have so many crushing unmet needs -- your sustaining kindness and generosity provide a loving safety net that will touch and strengthen many, many lives -- we are all so deeply grateful!! It was great to see you all -- stay warm and safe!!
With affection,
Jim Fabner

Thank you very much for your wonderful contribution to our We Do Care Fund! Our families are greatly helped by this assistance! Thanks for your kindness!
Lynn Vankral Social Worker