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### Today's Program...

**Al Engerer** introduced Carol Kamm, owner of Encore Online Resale. Encore is a professional eBay consignment sale company. Carol worked for over 20 years as a web developer and IT professional for the U-M before leaving to start Encore in 2005. Encore has sold over \$4,000,000 on eBay since that time with a 99.6% average positive feedback. Carol and Encore have worked with our Kiwanis club since 2008. Since Kiwanis is a non-profit we have been approved to be a Giving Account and the eBay fee is waived. Kiwanis has sold over 600 in items through Encore totaling around \$68,000 and we net over 70% of the selling price. Carol thanked the Kiwanis members and volunteers for locating items with a minimum value of \$75 that will sell on eBay. Potential items include jewelry, brand name toys, dishes, cameras, watches, gold and silver. Encore will assess value, prepare the photos and eBay narrative, package and ship the items. It's been an excellent relationship with Encore, and it and Carol have helped the Kiwanis Thrift Sale to maximize its sale revenues.



### Next Week's Program...

**Jim Kosteva, University of Michigan Director of Communications**



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Kiwanis Thrift Sale*

- Since 1927
- Over \$3.5 Million in Community Service Funding
- Thousands of Lives Touched



**ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:**

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>Announcer  </b>            | <b>Clar Dukes</b>  |
| <b>Officer of Day  </b>       | <b>Burt Lamkin</b>   |
| <b>Dockers  </b>              | volunteers are needed  |
| <b>Warehouse</b>              | <b>Bob Gray, Ellen Webb, Alan Burg, Ken Hillenburg and Nick Dever</b>    |
| <b>Sorter  </b>               | <b>Kathy Stroud</b>  |
| <b>Hardware  </b>             | <b>Dave Hughes, John Dahl and Dan Dever</b>                              |
| <b>Furniture  </b>            | <b>Mel Williams, Jonathan Bulkley and Mike Dabbs</b>                     |
| <b>Shoes &amp; Sports  </b>   | <b>Rip Kenney and Jim Meretta</b>  |
| <b>Men's Clothing  </b>       | <b>Don Clewell and Don McEwen</b>  |
| <b>Electronics  </b>          | <b>Bill Robb and the crème de crème</b>                                  |
| <b>Lamps  </b>                | <b>Dennis Powers, Dick Smit and Rob Schultz</b>                          |
| <b>Antiques  </b>             | <b>Pat Materka and Sally Lamkin</b>                                      |
| <b>Beds &amp; Toys  </b>      | <b>Lee Bachman and Steve Hiller</b>                                      |
| <b>Office &amp; Medical  </b> | <b>Jim Mattson and chums</b>   |
| <br>                          |  |
| <b>Vouchers  </b>             | <b>Bob Johnson, Don Clewell, Gretchen Preston and Rose Marie Barhydt</b> |
| <b>Invocation  </b>           | <b>Dale Leslie</b>   |
| <b>Greeters  </b>             | <b>Don Clewell, Gary Elling, Burt and Sally Lamkin</b>                   |
| <b>Hospitality  </b>          | <b>Lloyd Kitchens</b>  |
| <b>Cashier  </b>              | <b>Martha Petroski</b>   |

**Guests at our Club...**

Anna Duda was the guest of mother **Andrea Kotch Duda** and has been a volunteer at our sale. Supriya Jalukar was representing Circle K, and is the Fund Raising Chair for that organization.

**Announcements...**

**Harry Cross** announced that the Ray and Eleanor Cross Foundation will again be doubling our scholarship and campership contributions. If an individual (or group) makes a \$250 contribution to Kiwanis for a campership or \$500 for a scholarship the Cross Foundation will match the contribution for a \$500 campership or \$1,000 scholarship. See **Harry Cross** for a form to make a difference.

President **John Dahl** led a group of 13 Ann Arbor Downtown Kiwanians to the Morning Edition super interclub. John Bacon was the featured speaker and **John Dahl** hopes to line him up as a speaker at our future club meeting.

Supriya Jalukar from Circle K announced an upcoming Charity Bowl event. It will be at Colonial Lanes on March 6th at a cost of \$13.

**John Dahl** reported that our Kiwanis Club will be featured in an upcoming issue of Groundcover News.

## Fines and Happy Dollars...

**Fines:** When one attorney attempts to fine another you need a judge and our judges weren't at the meeting. Plaintiff **Tom Dew** attempted to fine **Dan Dever** for trying to garner sympathy by using a crutch. Defendant **Dan** responded by proposing an unfriendly amendment for a fine on all unsympathetic Kiwanis members, obviously including **Tom**. One or more of the motions and amendments passed but Fine Collector **Don McEwen** was having difficulty ascertaining degrees of sympathy, and suggested that it would be a fine idea if everyone paid, and that of course passed.

**Happy Dollars:** **Dan Dever** put in a dollar for the lesson learned that you should never take a horse ice skating unless the horse is wearing ice skates and you are wearing a suit of armor. **Kathy Griswold** happy for John Dingell's retirement and for foster son Robert Potter volunteering (along with friends) at Kiwanis Thrift Sale. **Kathy Barden Perlberg** recalled that she was invited in 1987 (along with **Lynn Lande**) to be the first women members of our club, and encouraged members to invite others to share in the Kiwanis experience. **Amy Rolfes** contributed a happy \$20 for an upcoming two year adventure. **Amy** and husband Mark are leaving to be the Directors of the Open Arms Home for Children Orphanage in South Africa. She promised to stay in touch and will be a featured speaker about her experiences when she returns. **Kathy Stroud** followed with happy dollars in honor of **Amy**. **Max Ziegler** enjoyed a great Princess cruise. **Ron Williams** encouraged new members to volunteer to fill **Amy Rolfes'** shoes by working in the shoes and sports department. **Gary Donner** was very happy for his "toy story" about selling one of his games to a very selective buyer. **Jim Kane** thanked his neighbors who helped him after becoming locked out of his house. **Jerry McMahon** was happy about our "lunch ladies" who sometimes give him extra large portions, and for the supportive Kiwanis members. **Andrea Kotch Duda** was happy for her daughter's visit and help at the sale.

## Hospitality Information...

**Jane Talcott** said that Randy Brown's memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church. **Dick Smit** is awaiting the results of x-rays following a fall, but was with us at the meeting. **Simon Eaglin** and **Clar Dukes** visited **Letitia Byrd** at Glacier Hills. They were impressed that **Letitia** had been able to work them into her busy schedule. **Ron Williams'** wife Fern is recovering after a fall on the ice. **Lloyd Kitchens** will be the Hospitality Chair for March.

## Stuff You Should Know...

**Dan Dever** updated the membership on the progress of the Sheridan Books building purchase. The sales agreement has been revised and is acceptable to both Kiwanis and Sheridan Books, and is ready to be signed. We will have 90 days to complete the environmental studies and obtain an appraisal in connection with bank financing. Kiwanis will be reimbursed for costs expended if there are serious environmental expenses that Sheridan doesn't want to pay for. We will then have an additional 120 days to complete the balance of our due diligence relating to items including an evaluation of the market for tenants for the building. **Dan** then responded to questions from the membership.

**Fines Collected: \$19.50**

**Happy \$ Collected: \$61.00**

**Mott Pot: \$147.00**

**Attendance today: 69**

**Last Week Sale Revenue:** (by categories if provided; KCAA, warehouse, Ebay, etc.)  
**\$5,443** plus **\$2,954** at the warehouse, **\$330** police and **\$562** eBay for a grand total of **\$9,389**



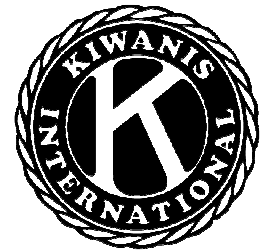
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 motto, our  
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The Warehouse Sale is now open 10am-1pm every Saturday!

# February 2014



| Sun | Mon        | Tue             | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat                       |
|-----|------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|---------------------------|
| 2   | 3 Meeting  | 4 Board Meeting | 5   | 6   | 7   | 8 Sale + Warehouse        |
| 9   | 10 Meeting | 11              | 12  | 13  | 14  | 15 Sale + Warehouse + KAH |
| 16  | 17 Meeting | 18              | 19  | 20  | 21  | 22 Sale + Warehouse       |
| 23  | 24 Meeting | 25              | 26  | 27  | 28  |                           |
|     |            |                 |     |     |     |                           |

## Planning Calendar

March  
Spring Divisional

May  
Club Annual Meeting  
Elections  
Attendance Awards

June/July  
International Convention  
Club Family Picnic

August  
District Convention

September  
Installation of Officers & Directors  
Legion of Honor Awards

December  
Christmas Sale  
Salvation Army Bell Ringing  
Club Christmas Party

# March 2014

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## Other News...

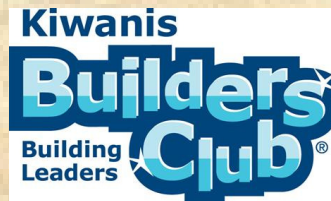
Meet Raymond Shumaker, great grandson of Ray Steiner. That's one proud great grandfather! Ray was a frequent visitor to our club before his health declined. It's nice to see a smile on his face!



## Our Sponsored Programs... Service to Youth:



Angell Elementary



We need to start one of these  
for middle schoolers!



WISD Aktion Club



Huron High School  
Pioneer High School



University of Michigan Circle K

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734-665-2211  
Thrift Sale Voice:  
734-665-0450

**"Ann Arbor Kiwanis  
Thrift Sale" is on the  
Web at:**

[www.kiwanissale.com](http://www.kiwanissale.com)  
and



**Other Links:**

- [Michigan District Kiwanis](#)
- [Kiwanis International](#)
- [U of M Circle K](#)  
Meets 7pm Thursdays at UM  
Union or League (Check Cal-  
endar on Website)
- [Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti](#)  
Meets Noon Wednesdays at  
EMU Student Center
- Ann Arbor Western  
Meets Noon Tuesdays at  
Quarter Bistro
- Kiwanis of Ann Arbor -  
Morning Edition  
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at Guy Hollerin's

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