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### Today's Program...

**President John Dahl** presented his assessment of the "State of the Club" as he nears the end of his presidency. John said he was humbled by the opportunity to serve our club and is proud to join the line of distinguished former Presidents, who he asked to stand and be recognized.

John then reviewed some of our accomplishments over the last year, including: 1) we have awarded \$180,000 in scholarships, camperships and grants to 80 organizations in the Ann Arbor area, including \$38,000 in scholarships in coordination with the Cross Foundation, 2) through our voucher program we have worked with case-workers and social agencies to give \$36,000 of Kiwanis Thrift Sale merchandise to individuals and families, and 3) our fund drive for the Eliminate Project has reached approximately 85% of the \$100,000 goal.

Other accomplishments included: 1) the hard work and dedication of the SMOC committee to strengthen and improve the leadership for our weekly sales activity, 2) an increase in individual commitments by several members of the club, 3) a lively and entertaining set of programs (Thanks Claire!), and 4) through open debates and discussions, we have made changes in our policies and practices when change was needed.

For part of his presentation, John reviewed a variety of items in the award winning Kiwanis scrapbook assembled by **Claire Dahl**, and later put in to a PowerPoint presentation by **Bob Gray**. Some highlights were posters emphasizing our impact in the community and highway billboards advertising for the Kiwanis Thrift Sale.

The club members gave John a standing ovation at the conclusion of his presentation. John then invited the membership for comments or questions. What followed was an open discussion of some of the clubs future initiatives and how that will impact club members and our ability to continue our great work in the local community.



**President John Dahl**

### Next Week's Program...

**Monday, 9/22/2014:** Pam Smith, Washtenaw United Way

### Upcoming Programs...

- September 29 - Installation of New Officers
- October 6 - Joan Fitzgibbon, principal, Northside STEAM Program
- October 13 - Ashley White-Yoshiza, Prison Re-entry Program

**ASSIGNMENTS  
for the  
COMING  
WEEK:**

<b>Officer of Day</b>	Ann Mattson
<b>Dockers</b>	We need Dockers
<b>Warehouse</b>	Bob Gray, Ellen Webb, Nick Dever, and George Gilligan
<b>Sorters</b>	Kurt Schmerberg and others
<b>Hardware</b>	Steve Pezda, Dave Hughes, and Dan Dever
<b>Furniture</b>	Mel Williams, Bob Barden, Jr., and Jerry McMahon
<b>Shoes &amp; Sports</b>	Don Kossick and Al Gallup
<b>Men's Clothing</b>	John Bassett and Don Clewell
<b>Electronics</b>	Bill Robb and His Band of Renown
<b>Lamps</b>	Dennis Powers and the Polkanauts
<b>Antiques</b>	Betsy and Alexis Ford
<b>Beds &amp; Toys</b>	Kathy Stroud and Mike Anglin
<b>Office &amp; Medical</b>	Jim Mattson and the Melodious Merchants
<b>Vouchers</b>	No Vouchers
<b>Invocation</b>	Sally Lamkin
<b>Greeters</b>	Tom Dew, John Goff, Bob Johnson, and Jane Talcott
<b>Hospitality</b>	Don Kossick
<b>Cashier</b>	Martha Petroski
<b>Attendance</b>	D. Smit (Primary), R. Argyle and D. McNab-Cattell (Backup)



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**Guests at our Club...** From **John Goff**: Griffith Dick, a prospective member from Ann Arbor, Chiara Sackellares of Circle K, and Jonathan Pevarnek of Circle K.

**Announcements...**

- **Martha Petroski** discussed the opening of a new play at the Purple Rose Theater. The planned date for our club to attend is Friday, October 24. **Bill Robb** expressed interest in the "partial nudity" that will occur during the play.
- **Ron Gardner** expressed his thanks to the sponsors and participants in the Eliminate Gathering that took place on Sunday, September 14. The sponsors are listed at the end of this newsletter. Special thanks are due to **Martha Petroski, Joe Medrano, Julianne Williams, Alan Burg** and Ron's wife Diana. The club now stands near \$83,000 toward the goal of \$100,000. Ron received a standing ovation for his outstanding efforts.
- **Dan Dever** reported on his presentation to the Washtenaw County Planning Commission last Monday evening. They were very impressed with the club's plans for our new building and unanimously voted to move the project on to the County Board of Trustees. Dan is optimistic it will pass at their next meeting. Dan received a standing ovation for his outstanding efforts in representing our club at the county meetings.

**Meetings...**

- Children and Youth Services will meet before the club meeting next week.
- Sales Management Oversight Committee (SMOC) will meet before the club meeting next week.
- K-Family plans to meet after the club meeting next week.
- The Newsletter Committee will meet after the regular club meeting next week.

## Fines and Happy Dollars...

**Fines:** **Harry Cross** called on former President **Peter Schork** to handle his motion to fine everyone who did not attend the Eliminate Function that included a celebration of **Bob Gray's** Birthday. The motion passed with minimal resistance.

**George Gilligan** proposed a fine on all club members not sitting with a former club member. Of course, **Fulton Eaglin** was sitting at George's table. The motion passed with no resistance.

**Happy Dollars:** **William Hampton** was happy to put in a dollar for any fines he missed last week. He put in five more dollars because he was happy to be with **Sandy Elden** and his wife as they celebrated their 68th Anniversary. William says Sandy will try to attend one meeting per month when he regains his strength. **Nick Dever** gave a dollar for **Bill Robb's** interest in the new play at Purple Rose, and he added a second dollar to appeal for help with the added work activities at the warehouse. **Max Ziegler** gave \$50 because all of the Zieglers were able to celebrate his 50th Anniversary and his Birthday on September 12. **Ron Williams** put in a dollar to say he would like some club member to join the shoes and sporting goods department as he steps back from his activity in that department. **Joe Medrano** was happy for the great success of the Eliminate program on Sunday. **Jeanette Okuley** was happy for all of the members who had paid their dues on time. She was also happy for the A2 Civil Theater production of Shrek. She also gave a coffee mug to **John Dahl** as our speaker today. **John Goff** was happy to pay \$14 for the 14-point victory of Virginia Tech over Ohio State the previous Saturday. He also said he is ready to lead the club to the \$100,000 goal for the Eliminate Project. **Sean Breeden** was happy for the arrival of his first child, a daughter, on September 2. **Harry Cross** was happy for the performance in Hill Auditorium by the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra. **Ron Gardner** was happy for the club to have cleared \$6,600 from the Eliminate Program on Sunday.

**Hospitality Information...** From **Don Kossick:** Barbara Krick, wife of **Jim Krick**, is recovering at St. Joe's Hospital. Don was happy to acknowledge that **Lloyd Kitchens** was at the meeting again this week.

## Stuff You Should Know...

### Social Activities:

**Max Ziegler** is looking for two more golfers to join the club golf outing this Thursday. Max stuck his neck out and said we are going to have perfect golfing weather.

### Interclubs:

Dave Drake said our club will attempt to complete two round-robins this year, starting with an interclub tomorrow at the Ann Arbor Western meeting at noon at the Quarter Bistro in Westgate Shopping Center. Our club will host a Super Interclub in November.

### Next Week's Menu:

Beef Tips, Egg Noodles, Tossed Garden Salad, Apple Crisp.

### Attendance Today: 86

### Last Week's Sale Revenue

**KAC:** \$7,129

**Ebay:** 204

**Warehouse:** \$4,753

**Total Sale:** \$12,086

**Today's Fines:** \$24

**Today's Happy Dollars:** \$90



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The Warehouse Sale is open 10am-1pm every Saturday!

# September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Labor Day (Mtg. on Tues.)	2 Paula Gardner Menu: Deli Sandwiches Hall of Honor Nominations Due	3	4 Donations 9am- Noon	5	6 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-2
7	8 Senator Rebe- kah Warren Menu: Chicken Parmesan	9	10	11 Donations 9am-Noon	12	13 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
14 ELIMINATE Fundraiser— Kerrytown Concert House 2-5pm	15 John Dahl Menu: Wrapped Sandwiches <b>Dues are Due!</b>	16	17	18 Donations 9am-Noon AA Kiwanis Golf Outing 9am	19	20 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
21	22 Pam Smith Menu: Beef Tips w/ Noodles	23	24	25 Donations 9am-Noon	26	27 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
28	29 Inst. of New Officers Menu: Grilled Chicken w/Rice	30				

# October 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Donations 9am- Noon	3	4 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
5	6 Joan Fitzgibbon Menu: Meatballs w/Spaghetti Noodles	7 Board Meeting	8	9 Donations 9am- Noon	10	11 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
12	13 Ashley White- Yoshiza Menu: Grilled Sandwiches	14	15	16 Donations 9am-Noon	17	18 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
19	20 Diane Hughes Menu: Barbecue Chicken	21	22	23 Donations 9am-Noon	24	25 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
26	27 Bob Gray Menu: Italian Sausage	28	29	30 Donations 9am-Noon	31	



## Planning Calendar

March  
Spring Divisional

May  
Club Annual Meeting  
Elections  
Attendance Awards

June/July  
International Conven-  
tion  
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



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## Other News...

Our Club wishes to thank all of those who made the 2014 fundraiser for the Eliminate Project a grand success. Primary sponsors of the event were the Bank of Ann Arbor, **Ron and Diana Gardner**, and two anonymous donors.

Financial sponsors were at three levels:

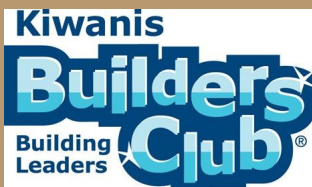
- Gold (\$1000)—Retirement Income Solutions (**John Goff**); Joerke, Wishka & Associates (**Mark Wishka**); and **Andrea Kotch Duda** (Raymond James).
- Silver (\$500)—**Robert and Susan Gray**; and Ann Arbor State Bank (**Peter Schork**).
- Bronze (\$250)—**Jim and Ann Mattson**; Diana Gardner (Gardner & Associates, P.C.); **Bill and Phyllis Robb** (with Pfizer Match); **Alan Burg and Ken Hillenburg**; **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson** (with Pfizer Match); **Kurt Schmerberg** (Affinity Valuations); Ray & Eleanor Cross Foundation (**Harry Cross**); **Jim Couch** and Sue Iott; and **Jim and Linda Wight**.

The following individuals and organizations donated one or more raffle prizes for this year's event: Main Street Ventures, Washtenaw Dairy, Busch's, Katherine's Catering, **Cynthia Barton-Spencer**, **Garry Donner**, **Martha Petroski**, Gretchen's House, Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor, and Leslie Park Golf Course.

Finally, a special thanks to our members who serve on the Eliminate Task Force, without whom this event would not have been possible: **Deb Jones**, **Joe Medrano**, **John Dahl**, **John Goff**, **Alan Burg**, **Fred Sanchez**, **Martha Petroski**, **Mark Wishka**, **Larry French**, **Ron Gardner**, and **Diana Gardner**.



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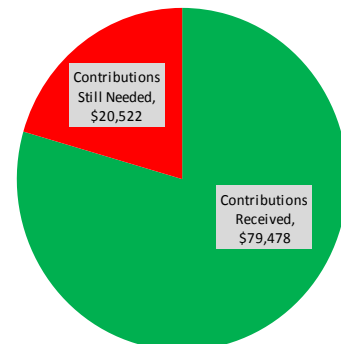
University of Michigan  
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# ELIMINATE

Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus

Make a contribution today.  
Contact **Past President Ron Gardner** for  
information on how to help out.

Progress Toward Our Club's Eliminate Goal:  
\$100,000 by 9/30/2015



Data as of August 1, 2014

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and



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Meets Noon Wednesdays at  
EMU Student Center
- Ann Arbor Western  
Meets Noon Tuesdays at  
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