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Today's Program...



Lynne Lande

SHOULD POLITICIANS CHOOSE THEIR

VOTERS? A resounding "No" from our guest speaker Susan Smith of the Ann Arbor League of Women Voters (LWV). Smith, the sister of her introducer **LYNNE LANDE**, addressed the timely issue on Election Day eve, 2015. The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization encouraging informed and active participation in government. It influences public policy through education and advocacy. Their current focus is to educate the public about the bias in revising legislative districts in the hands of the elected majority party. "Gerrymandering" is the buzz word. Smith said, "In California and Arizona, independent citizens' commissions draw the district lines and the result is higher voter turnout and less partisan bias." She concludes, "When elected politicians draw voting maps that manipulate elections—maps that keep their officials and their party in power—it defies representative democracy." The LWV mission: "Making Democracy Work." Their dedication is admirable. Log on to: <http://lwwannarbor.org/>.

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Susan Smith

Next Week's Program...

November 9—*Alzheimer's Disease: Advances in Diagnosis and Treatment*. Speaker: Jennifer Howard, Exec. Dir., Alzheimer's Association of Michigan, Great Lakes Chapter. Introduced by: **Deborah Jones**.

Upcoming Programs...

- **November 16**—*The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy*. Speaker: Charles (Chuck) Helppie, historian/businessman. Introduced by **Dale Leslie**. (Kiwanis Super Interclub)
- **November 23**—*Kiwanis Honors its Volunteers*. Program hosted by club member **Jane Talcott**.
- **November 30**—*Maternal Mortality*. Speaker: Dr. Rudy Ansbacher, Obstetrics & Gynecology, UMHCS. Introduced by: **Lynne Lande**.

Note: the November 30th, December 7th, and December 14th club weekly Monday meetings will be held at Kiwanis West due to preparations for the Holiday Sale at KCD.

Meetings...

After next week's meeting (Nov. 9th): Membership Growth (**Lynne Lande**) and the Bylaws Committee (**Nick Dever**). Confidential to Membership Growth: a new director of the Ann Arbor Y, our neighbor down the street, has been announced: Toni Kayumi. I think she would make a great Kiwanian! Agree? Ann Arbor News article [here](#).



Kiwanis Center Downtown



Kiwanis Center West

*The
Kiwanis Thrift Sale*

- Since 2004 Over \$2,482,000 in Sale Proceeds Have Gone to Our Community
- Thousands of Lives Have Been Touched



The Family Learning Institute "bookmobile" purchased with a \$20,500 grant from the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Foundation in 2014.

ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

Officer of Day KCD	Mark Wishka
Dockers	Needed as usual
KCW	Friday—Ray Argyle, Dave Drake, George Gilligan (OD), Bob Gray, Sheridan Springer and Ellen Webb Saturday—Bryce Babcock, Kelly Bertoni, Jim Blomquist, Al Engerer, Bob Gray (OD), Evan LeRoy, and Fred Sanchez
Sorters	This is Ann Mattson's last potential Saturday on the dock 'til next spring
Hardware	John Sampelle, Fred Miller, and Doug Hanton
Shoes & Sports	Bill Tasch and Al Gallup
Men's Clothing	John Bassett and Dave LaMoreaux
Electronics	Bill Robb assisted by a team of Ewoks, Jawas, and Gungans
Lamps	Dennis Powers, E.T. and the Extra-Terrestrials
Antiques	Pat Buhner and Sally Lamkin
Beds & Garden	Dave Bell
Office & Medical	The Jetsons
Books/Records	Larry Hill
Vouchers	Ellen Webb, Lynne Lande, Sally Lamkin, and John Dahl
Invocation	Nick Dever
Greeters/Attend.	D. Leslie, D. Kossick, L. Panning, J. Jeszke, J. Robinson (Attendance)
Hospitality	John Dahl
Cashier	Martha Petroski

Guests at Our Club...

Nancy Schewe, League of Women Voters (accompanied our speaker Sue Prakken Smith); **LARRY DITTMAR** (2015-16 Honorary Member); Tami Castillo (prospective member) and Shelley Strickland, representing the Ann Arbor Public Schools Foundation and guest of **KATHY BARDEN-PERLBERG**. Welcome all!

Announcements...

- YOU SHOULD NOTE: A new PASSWORD for the Membership Only link on our website (www.a2kiwanis.org) has been issued by Webmeister **JOAN MASTERS** <joanm@umich.edu>. Contact JOAN and she will provide the code to MEMBERS ONLY. (We periodically change the PASSWORD for security reasons.)
- YES, WE HAVE NO BANANAS AND 2014-2015 Membership Directories and **CHRIS WINKLER** advises the new 2015-2016 books will not be in for two weeks. SO, we need any extra directories from your home or car for our reception desk. Look through your piles, folks, (advice to myself) for extra directories.
- SANTA'S KIWANIS HOLIDAY MARCHING ORDERS (HO! HO! HO!) (For further information, contact past president **Peter Schork**)
 - ⇒ NO SALE DOWNTOWN ONLY ON NOVEMBER 28th.
 - ⇒ THE HOLIDAY SALE will run for two days, Friday-Saturday, December 4-5, Downtown; some Christmas stuff will be displayed at Kiwanis West too.
 - ⇒ THE HOLIDAY SALE HOURS: 9 - 12 Downtown; 9 - 1 West.
 - ⇒ STRIKE THE SET: Monday, November 23rd, following the regular meeting at Kiwanis Downtown, please remain to help with the logistics of converting our meeting room to merchandise displays.
 - ⇒ WE WILL MEET at Kiwanis West for our regular Monday meeting, November 30th, December 7th and December 14th, 12 noon, normal catered meal function .
 - ⇒ ROSIE THE RIVETER numbers locally are in the Guinness Book of World Records along with our nearly infinite number of donated artificial Christmas Trees waiting assembly for the Holiday Sale. Stay tuned for date and time.

Fines:

Olde editor proposed a fine for anyone who had not voted by Monday (Election Day was Tuesday) via Absentee Ballot. Failed miserably. But he felt reprieved when past president **JOHN GOFF** fined all beleaguered Packer and Lion fans. Everyone paid.

Happy Dollars:

FRED SANCHEZ is pleased his name-sake is assigned by NBC for the Rio Olympics. . .**MAX ZIEGLER** celebrated being an Army bandsman with **LUKE PANNING (BOB SNIDER)** later proudly pointed to his service in the Army band). . .**BOB CARR** and wife Jeanette enjoyed a wonderful, two-week cruise. . .**GARRY EVANS** corrected his mistaken over-charge of Sale customers by donating the difference to the Happy bucket. . .**GARY ELLING** gave an impassioned appreciation for his later father’s 95-years and the support from club members and friends during his dad’s illness. (His father was in the U-M Marching Band). . .**CHRIS WINKLER** was pleased with a positive restaurant review and for K-members who dined at his family’s Cardamom Restaurant.

Stuff You Should Know...

Three Minute Speech:

LUKE PANNING, our dapper fiddler-player and active new club member, literally stands tall as the drum major in the Michigan Army band, part of his US Army Reserve unit. The difference between a violin and a fiddle? says he, is “You can spill beer on a fiddle.” LUKE earned first place honors in the 30th Annual Michigan State Championship Old-Time Fiddlers Competition held recently; he was the defending champion. A lyricist, he co-authored our Kiwanis club song, *Kiwanis Friends We Welcome You* which is awaiting its Broadway debut (Ann Arbor’s Broadway in lower town.) His lovely wife, Katherine, is a third-year medical student at the U-M. The friendly Holland, MI native and Hope College graduate is an investment advisor for Edward Jones in Ann Arbor where he is the principal of his firm. Welcome, LUKE!



Luke Panning

Hospitality News:

WILLIAM HAMPTON reported for **JOHN** and **CLAIRE DAHL** who were called out-of-town for a family funeral...**JIM WHEATON’s** absence recently is due to a scheduled therapy appointment each Monday. **RIP KINNEY** shared his full-time role as care-giver for his wife Judy whose latest health issue is breast cancer. He expresses his appreciation to the club for their support. Hopefully, RIP can attend our future Monday meetings while a care-giver stays with Judy.

Interclubs and Other Clubs:

Our club hosts the next Super-Interclub for Division Ten on November 16. Other clubs attending must RSVP to **Dave Drake** (734-623-4433 or djstatman@gmail.com) by November 11.

ATTENTION PARENT & GRANDPARENT KIWANIANS—Would you like to be close to your child/grandchild’s school experience? The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Morning Edition is planning a club affiliation with Thurston Elementary School in Ann Arbor through the Kiwanis Sponsored Youth program. Manchester Kiwanian Cindy Kenney lucky-lu1954@gmail.com (wife of former AA Kiwanian Darrell Kenney) has guided a number of these successful and rewarding Kiwanis-School programs throughout the State. See Lt. Gov. **JULANNE WILLIAMS** for further information.

Attendance Today: 85

Last Week’s Sale Revenue:

KCD:	\$ 6,967	Today’s Fines:	\$26.46
KCW:	5,234	Mott Pot:	NA
eBay:	258	Today’s Happy Dollars:	\$110
Total:	\$ 12,459	Vouchers:	\$1,483 (six families)



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Halloween Fun at KCW



Official Greeter at KCW on “Halloween Saturday” was the Black Widow Queen (Michele Robb). Kids and some adults were given free toy spiders.

November 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 DST Ends	2 Your Vote KCD Donations 9am-Noon	3	4	5 KCD Donations 9-12	6 Sale: KCW 9-1	7
8	9 Alzheimer's KCD Donations 9am-Noon	10	11  Veteran's Day	12 KCD Dona- tions 9-12	13 Sale: KCW 9-1	14 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
15	16 JFK Assassina- tion KCD Donations 9am-Noon	17	18	19 KCD Dona- tions 9-12	20 Sale: KCW 9-1	21 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
22	23 Volunteer Honors KCD Donations 9am-Noon	24	25	26 KCD and KCW Closed for Thanksgiving	27 KCW and KCD Closed	28 KCD Dona- tions 9-12, No Sale KCW Sale & Dona- tions 9-1
29	30 Maternal Mortality KCD Donations 9am-Noon					

December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 KCD Donations 9-12	4 Holiday Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1	5 Holiday Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
6	7 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	8	9	10 KCD Dona- tions 9-12	11 Sale: KCW 9-1	12 Holiday Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
13	14 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	15	16	17 KCD Dona- tions 9-12	18 Sale: KCW 9-1	19 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
20	21 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	22	23	24 KCD Dona- tions 9-12	25 KCD and KCW Closed for Christ- mas	26 KCD and KCW Closed for Christ- mas
27	28 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	29	30	31 KCD Dona- tions 9-12 New Year's Eve		



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

❖❖❖ The fact that you are taking time to read this indicates a high aptitude for being a newsletter editor. ❖❖❖ Email John Kittle at jkittle@gmail.com immediately to volunteer ❖❖❖



Message from the Prez Monday, November 2, 2015:

Hi Kiwanians,

Simon Chafetz is a U of M Ross School of Business MBA Fellow, who has committed to assisting our Kiwanis Club as part of his study. Last year he worked closely with Alan Burg to assist in marketing the purchase of the 2nd building and the opening of the thrift sale at KCW.

This year he is meeting with the ad-hoc Organization Committee to help the Club adjust our management to accommodate the additions of the 2nd thrift sale and the Staebler Rd. property. With the addition of the Kiwanis Center West Building, the Club has taken on much greater business management duties, for which we need to adjust our organization structure and financial controls.

I have announced Simon's role briefly at Club meetings, and update the Board on a regular basis. Simon also attends monthly Board meetings. We will hold our first full ad-hoc Organization Committee today at 10:30. Prior to this meeting, John Goff, Mark Wishka, Simon Chafetz and I met to determine what size ad-hoc group was needed (we determined smaller is most efficient), who should be on the committee, what subjects are most critical, and what the project timeline would look like.

The Ann Arbor Kiwanis Club is extremely fortunate to have someone of Simon's caliber assist us with this project. He brings an objective viewpoint, experience from years of being a Deloitte and Touche consultant, knowledge of current business structures, and enthusiasm.

Please feel free to speak to Simon or me should you wish further information.

Best regards,
Betsy Ford



Simon Chafetz

New Circle K Club at Concordia University:

"Good Morning!" We are the newest Kiwanis club on the block, Circle K at Concordia University. Please visit us! Our next meeting is Thursday, November 5th, 6 p.m., at the Earhart Administration Building on campus. If you receive this invitation too late to attend, our second meeting this month is scheduled for Thursday, November 19th, same time and location. We have a lot of youthful enthusiasm! For further information, contact Harriet Wolbrink <hwolbrink@comcast.net>, the secretary of our sponsoring club, the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Morning Edition. Hope to see you there!"



Dockers Getting Organized:

KOSSICK TO THE RESCUE - Mr. Dependable, **DON KOSSICK**, is bringing order to the assignments of members and volunteers serving as Dockers at Kiwanis Downtown each week. His goal is to develop a balanced schedule incorporating our members and friends to lift the burden from a present small number of helpers. He notes, "Without any furniture unloading and loading downtown, nearly everyone can serve in some capacity at the dock." Suggestion: Don I would first gather all the department lists of work assignments to prevent conflicts in scheduling. Thank you, DON, for taking the lead!

Our Sponsored Programs in Service to Youth:



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ANN ARBOR**

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Web at:**

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 -
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