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Today's Program...

Bryce Babcock introduced Kevin Wittrup, Chief Executive Officer, and Claire Stevens, Director of Operations, of BIOVIGIL HYGIENE TECHNOLOGIES, an Ann Arbor start-up that is expanding—currently with 19 employees—and has just relocated to larger quarters near us on North Main. Kevin is a grad of Michigan Tech and holds an MBA from the UM Ross School of Business; he then spent several years working in Ohio before seeing the light and returning to Ann Arbor.

Both Kevin and Claire have earlier experience with venture-backed start-ups, with successes and a few failures. BIOVIGIL plans further expansion with a second round of equity financing expected later in 2015.

BIOVIGIL has developed and patented a unique, technology-based method of addressing Healthcare Associated Infections (HAIs) by improving the hand hygiene behavior of healthcare workers. Kevin explained that HAIs are the fourth leading cause of death in America—approximately 100,000 deaths annually—and cost the U.S. healthcare system between \$30 and \$40 billion annually. Claire demonstrated the “green-yellow-red light” clip-on monitor to be worn by healthcare workers that enables tracking of hand hygiene events with 99.9% accuracy 24/7 without human intervention. BIOVIGIL’s 4-step process of “Remind/Record/Reassure/Report” is unique in the competitive healthcare market that focuses on reducing HAIs.

We appreciated the special insight that Kevin and Claire provided into the workings of a local venture-backed start-up and the development of its technology and its product. .



Today's Introducer
Bryce Babcock



Today's Speaker Kevin Wittrup with
associate Claire Stevens

Next Week's Program...

February 2 - *Mentor2Youth Program: Builds Childhood Self Confidence.* Speaker: Emmanuel Jones, Founder. Introduction by: Shataura Clayborne, Mentor2Youth Board Member.

Upcoming Programs...

- **February 9** - *What's Love Got To Do With It?* No purer love than between child and parent or grandparent. (Valentine's Day, 2/14). Speaker: Jyoti Gupta, Executive Director Washtenaw Area Council for Children. Introduction by: **Deb Jones.**
- **February 16** - *Was President Lincoln a Man of Religious Faith?* Speaker: Dr. Waldemar Schmeichel, Theologian, Emeritus Professor, Kalamazoo College. Introduction by: **Lynne Lande.**
- **February 23** - *To Bee Or Not To Bee? Mother Nature's Challenge.* Speaker: Roger Sutherland, former U-M Professor and Honey Bee Steward. Introduction by: **Dale Leslie.**



This is what we call HOME... now in our 94th year.



The Early Days

The Kiwanis Thrift Sale

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



The Family Learning Institute "bookmobile" purchased with a grant from our club in 2014.

ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

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| Announcer | Dale Leslie via the miracle of tape. |
| Officer of Day | more Dale Leslie |
| Dockers | We need Dockers! |
| Warehouse | Bob Gray or Sherry Springer, Ellen Webb, G Beeman and John Schenk |
| Sorters | Joan Masters |
| Hardware | Ted Brokaw, Bill Hallock and Marianne Clauw |
| Furniture | Mel Williams, Jonathan Bulkley, Bryce Babcock and Jerry McMahon |
| Shoes & Sports | Bill Tasch and Jim Wight |
| Men's Clothing | John Bassett and Jocelyn Wilder |
| Electronics | Bill Robb and the Brutus Boys |
| Lamps | Dennis Powers and the Horseshoe Headlamps |
| Antiques | Sally Lamkin and Rose Marie Barhydt |
| Beds & Toys | Steve Hiller and Dave Bell |
| Office & Medical | Jim Mattson and his Grey and Maroon Matadors |
| Vouchers | No Information |
| Invocation | Doug Zieseimer |
| Greeters | Andrea Kotch Duda, Ken Hillenburg, John McKeown, Joe Medrano |
| Hospitality | Jane Talcott |
| Cashier | Martha Petroski |
| Attendance | Bryce Babcock (Primary), John Schenk, Dick Smit (Backup) |

Guests at our Club... Larry Hill introduced our numerous guests: Diane Bennett and John Bianeke, guests of **Dale Leslie**; Nancy Strong, guest of **Jane Talcott**; Noel Winkler, guest (and spouse) of **Chris Winkler**; Mark Swanson, member of the Ypsilanti Kiwanis Club; Dave LaMoreaux and Mike McGlashen, each a prospective member and a guest of **Lynne Lande**; Greg Meisner, prospective member and guest (and spouse) of **Gretchen Preston**; and Chiara Sackellares and Zachery Gizicki, both of Circle K.

Announcements...

- Immediate Past President **John Dahl** commended **Harry Cross** for his work in gathering a good representation of our club at the Kiwanis 100th Birthday Celebration held last Saturday, January 24th in Detroit, the home of Kiwanis and of the Detroit No 1 Club. Those in attendance from our club were **Cynthia Barton-Spencer**, **Harry Cross** and his wife Carmen, **Sue Dailey**, **Clarence Dukes**, **Dale Leslie**, **Joe Medrano**, **Carol Pressley** (honorary member) and **Julanne Williams**. It was a wonderful and memorable event, to be followed by more 100th anniversary celebrations later this year at the international convention in Indianapolis!
- **Dave Drake**, interclub co-chair, frowned disappointment that our efforts at an interclub last Thursday in Milan fell one member short with only 3 club members (**Joe Medrano and Julanne Williams with Dave Drake**) in attendance. But Dave announced upcoming Super Interclubs, with smiles and great hopes for good attendance from our club, on February 18 at the Ann Arbor Morning Edition Club to be held at 8:30 AM at Glacier Hills Senior Living and then on March 19 at the Ypsilanti Club to be held at noon at the EMU Student Center Building.
- Noel Winkler, spouse of member Chris, brought us up to date on community efforts to establish the Coleman Jewett Conversation Corner at the Farmers' Market. Coleman Jewett, now deceased, was a highly respected educator and principal and was an honorary member of our club in 1997. He was a mainstay at the Farmers' Market for decades, and the Coleman Jewett Conversation Corner will be a permanent memorial to him, complete with 2 Adirondack chairs. The total cost is \$60,000, and Noel told us the effort is within \$1,000 of success. Gifts may be made through the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation (write Jewett Memorial in the memo line).
- **Prospective Members:** David LaMoreaux of Ann Arbor; retired from NSF. Sponsor: **Lynne Lande**, Co-Sponsor **Deborah Jones**. Gregory Meisner of Ann Arbor; research scientist, General Motors. Sponsor: **Gretchen Preston**, Co-Sponsor **Nick Dever**.

Fines: **Tom Dew** moved that anyone with the audacity to cheer for the “school down south” be fined. The motion passed unanimously (or almost unanimously, except for a few gloaters who apparently really do cheer for the school down south).

Ron Gardner asked for a staggering fine of \$12.50, because of all the confusion created by **Martha Petroski’s** description last week and this week about what food service items are recyclable. Ron took mercy on Martha by asking that the fine be paid through contributions from every member of 25 cents. The confusion, though, did not cease because Immediate Past President **John Dahl** ruled the motion out of order since Happy Dollars was just about to begin. This did not stop Ron and **Lynne Lande**, who supported Ron’s motion, as Lynne dashed into the Happy Dollar line-up, and when her chance at glory arrived, she called on Past President **Ron Gardner**, who restated his motion. This time the motion passed, and all paid!

Happy Dollars: **Kathy Fojtik Stroud** is happy to celebrate **Ann Frey’s** 95th birthday, which is this Sunday, February 1. Kathy has so much exuberance that she suggests that each of us send Ann a birthday card (Ann Frey, 1555 Ardmoor, Ann Arbor 48103). Ann is currently in sunny Mexico, but she will be back in the spring. Kathy hopes Ann’s mailbox is brimming with Kiwanis birthday wishes when she returns! **Bob Gray** was excited to attend the US Figure Skating Championships in Greensboro, North Carolina over the weekend, where Ann Arbor ice dancers Evan Bates and Madison Chock won gold medals. **Julanne Williams** was very happy to attend the Kiwanis 100th Birthday Celebration last Saturday night in Detroit, and looks forward to more celebrating in Indianapolis at the international convention later this year. **Clar Dukes** confided that he told a white lie at the 100th Birthday Celebration by claiming 50 years in Kiwanis, whereas he will not reach the 50-year milestone until June of this year (close enough, Clar!). **Sue Dailey** added to the theme of having a great time at the 100th Birthday celebration by thanking **Harry Cross** for giving her a ride to the big event in Detroit. **Larry French** smiled as he announced he has retired from investment management work. He really smiled when he told us that he sold his small oil company in Kansas before the big drop in oil and gas prices; the check has just arrived! **Sally Lamkin** added her praise of Coleman Jewett, telling us that she bought 2 of Coleman’s earliest Adirondack chairs years ago. **Max Ziegler** is happy that **Al Gallup** gave him a book about Celtic German, which Max says explains why Germans act as they do. Max recommends the book to others of Germanic descent in the club – see Max or Al for details! **Harry Cross** recently visited **Letitia Byrd** and **Bob Barden Sr.** and is happy both are doing well.

Stuff You Should Know...

Meetings:

The Sales Floor Reallocation Committee will meet next Monday, February 2, at 11:00 AM. The Board of Directors will meet Tuesday evening, February 3.

Hospitality News:

Don Clewell reports that **John Bassett** is now doing fine and that John Bassett’s wife is much improved. Both suffered for weeks under the effects of a severe flu virus.

Miscellaneous:

Immediate Past President **John Dahl** ran the Kiwanis luncheon meeting in the absence of President **John Goff**, who is sick with a bad cold or the flu. **John Dahl** wondered if it might be the lingering effects of the Packers loss that has laid **John Goff** low, but probably not. All extend their best wishes to President John for a quick recovery.

Martha Petroski recanted her statement made at last week’s meeting that essentially all of our kitchen service items may be recycled. Martha announced that in fact water bottles (with caps removed), empty milk cartons and OJ containers (the type that some Kiwanians bring with them to the luncheon) are recyclable and should be placed in the smaller recycle bins next to the larger trash containers. All other used kitchen service items should be placed in the large trash containers.

Next Week’s Menu:

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

Attendance Today: 81

Last Week’s Sale Revenue

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| KAC: | \$6,878 | Mott Pot: | \$159.36 |
| Warehouse: | \$4,333 | Today’s Fines: | \$23.51 |
| Total: | \$11,211 | Today’s Happy Dollars: | \$35 |



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

January 2015



| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 Dock Closed New Year's Day | 2 | 3 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |
| 4 | 5 Work Skills Menu: Italian Sausage | 6 Board Meeting 7:00pm at Kiwanis Center West | 7 | 8 Donations 9am-Noon | 9 | 10 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |
| 11 | 12 Spkr: Mayor Christopher Taylor Menu: Meatloaf | 13 | 14 | 15 Donations 9am-Noon | 16 | 17 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |
| 18 | 19 Spkr: Helen Maynard Menu: Deli Sandwiches | 20 | 21 | 22 Donations 9am-Noon Super Interclub at Milan 6:30pm | 23 | 24 Sale: KAC 9-12, W'house 10-1 Kiwanis 100th Celebration |
| 25 | 26 Sanitizing Surgical Hands Menu: Chicken Parmesan | 27 | 28 | 29 Donations 9am-Noon | 30 | 31 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |

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

February 2015

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 Circle K EMU 30th Anniversary | 2 Mentor2Youth Program Menu: Beef Tips and Egg Noodles | 3 Board Meeting | 4 | 5 Donations 9am-Noon | 6 | 7 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |
| 8 | 9 What's Love Got To Do With It? Menu: Deli Sandwiches | 10 | 11 | 12 Donations 9am-Noon | 13 | 14 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 Valentine's Day |
| 15 | 16 Lincoln a Man of Religious Faith? Menu: Citrus Grilled Chicken Presidents' Day | 17 | 18 Super Interclub at Glacier Hills 8:30am | 19 Donations 9am-Noon | 20 | 21 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |
| 22 | 23 To Bee or Not To Bee Menu: Tomato Basil Meatballs | 24 | 25 | 26 Donations 9am-Noon | 27 Purple Rose Theater Outing | 28 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 |



Go to <http://a2kiwanisfoundation.org/calendar-2/> and add the Kiwanis calendar to your own Google calendar.
Never miss an Ann Arbor Kiwanis event again!

More Announcements...

- Club Treasurer **Bob Johnson** announced a first for our club at last Saturday's downtown sale, although it's a milestone that we hope to avoid in the future. One of the departmental money pouches was stolen at the conclusion of the sale. The stolen pouch was from one of the smaller departments (the identity of the department remained unnamed because there is no fault to be laid upon anyone), so the financial loss was not great. However, this is an opportunity to learn and to improve our security. A number of comments were made from members, including the observation that all Thrift Sale workers need to politely (or maybe not so politely) move customers out of the building at noon and the caution that Thrift Sale workers should watch for customers hiding in the bathrooms or dressing room just before closing. **Peter Schork** said that the Sales Management Oversight Committee (SMOC) will evaluate and report recommendations for further action.
- **Harry Cross** invited club members to sponsor scholarships for graduating high school seniors with a gift to our club foundation of \$500 (or more). Each \$500 gift will be matched with an additional \$500 from the Cross Family Foundation, providing a \$1,000 scholarship award. Members are welcome to combine their efforts in reaching the \$500 gift level, so participation does not necessarily require an individual commitment of \$500. In order to give local high school counselors adequate time to select scholarship recipients, member pledges are needed by Monday, March 2. This is an earlier deadline than usual, and will permit the award ceremony to occur in early May, when attendance by scholarship recipients should be greater than would be the case in June near the end of the school year. Harry told us that he explored the adequacy of a \$1,000 scholarship with school officials and that he was informed the \$1,000 amount is indeed an adequate and very much appreciated scholarship. See **Harry Cross** or **Peter Schork** for pledge forms.
- **Harry Cross** also reminded the membership that the Cross Family Foundation is matching gifts from club members and others to the Haiti Nursing Foundation. Gifts will support students attending nursing school in Haiti and will enhance nursing and health care in this impoverished nation. See Harry for pledge forms.
- See the last page for some pics of the Kiwanis 100th Birthday Celebration courtesy of **Dale Leslie!**

Great Furniture – Great Cause!



Help Us Help Kids!
Find your perfect accessory piece at the Kiwanis Furniture Warehouse Sale! Give back to the children of our community with great values on new merchandise weekly.

Items shown are representative of typical sale items, not actual inventory.

Kiwanis Thrift Sale

Kiwanis Thrift Sale
Saturdays, 9am-12pm
Washington at First St.

Kiwanis Warehouse Sale
Saturdays, 10am-1pm
840 Airport Blvd.

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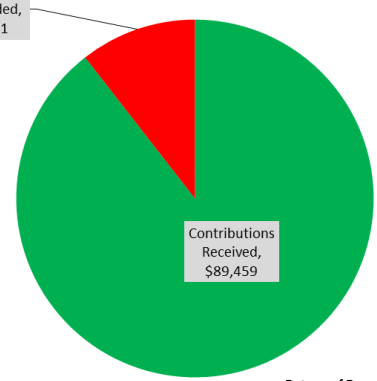
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Service in Action

WISD Aktion Club

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Kiwanis eliminating maternal/neonatal tetanus

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

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



| Category | Amount |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Contributions Received | \$89,459 |
| Contributions Still Needed | \$10,541 |
| Total Goal | \$100,000 |

Data as of December 31, 2014

**KIWANIS CLUB OF
ANN ARBOR**

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Thrift Sale" is on the
Web at:**

www.kiwanissale.com
and



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- [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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Meets 8:30am Wednesdays
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KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL 100TH BIRTHDAY (January 24th) attracted a contingent from Ann Arbor to the Ren Cen in Detroit where 1,500 Kiwanians celebrated their organization's founding in 1915. Jim Heymes, past district secretary (red scarf), officially greeted (left to right) **Clarence Dukes, Sue Dailey, Harry and Carmen Cross** on behalf of the Detroit No. 1 Kiwanis Club, the host club. (A ringer from Barberton, OH sat at our table and flashed his tie upon departure. Boo! Hiss!) Past Michigan District Governor Dennis Dimoff renewed an old friendship with **Dale Leslie** in front of the State of Michigan Historic Site plaque to be posted in downtown Detroit. The music was top drawer as played by Fifty Amp Fuse who ignited the dance floor. A good time was had by all. Dale

