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Today's Program...



2015 Honorary Members (L-R) Elizabeth Pollard Hines, Beverly Conatser, Mark Hodesh, Larry E. Dittmar, Claire Tinkerhess, and Paul Tinkerhess

George Gilligan was the Master of Ceremony for the annual induction of Honorary Members, and reminded us that they join a group including Fielding Yost and Past U-M President Alex Ruthven. Honorary Members are described as community-minded citizens who exemplify the ideals of Kiwanis in their personal and/or business lives.

Dale Leslie told us about Beverly Conatser, who is a U. S. Army veteran, and the Volunteer Coordinator for the Ann Arbor VA Hospital. **Clarence Dukes** introduced Larry Dittmar who taught for 40 years at Interlochen and was Band Director with the Ann Arbor Public

Schools. Larry has made 11 trips to Kenya to bring music education and over 300 musical instruments to that country. **Margaret Krasnoff** spoke about Judge Elizabeth "Libby" Hines who has won awards for her efforts to improve the courts and address the issue of domestic violence. Judge Hines' father was a Kiwanian for 40 years.

Lynne Lande introduced our long-time neighbor Mark Hodesh, a townie who owned and operated Downtown Home and Garden and then created the very innovative Mark's Carts. (He is considering opening a pet store called Mark's Cats.) **Al Gallup** presented Claire and Paul Tinkerhess, the owners of Fourth Avenue Birkenstock. They are the creators of the annual Waterhill Music Festival on the first Sunday of May featuring over 100 musicians performing on neighborhood porches. Paul said that "there are a lot of good people just waiting for a catalyst that they can help to make things better." That comment could have been made by all of our Honorary Members. See page 5 for additional photos.

Next Week's Program...

November 2—*Your Vote Counts as Important (November 3 Election)*. Speaker: Susan Smith, Past Chair, Ann Arbor League of Women Voters. Introduced by: **Lynne Lande**.

Upcoming Programs...

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

Meetings...

Member Recognition Committee will meet next Monday immediately following the weekly meeting.



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	Ann Mattson
Dockers	Needed as usual
KCW	Friday —Ray Argyle, Nick Dever (OD), Griff Dick, Dave Drake, Garry Evans, Bob Gray, Dave LaMoreaux, Sheridan Springer and Ellen Webb Saturday —Mike Dabbs, Garry Evans, Bob Gray, Paul Klinger, Gerry Luke, Michele Robb, John Sampsel, Cliff Sheldon and Doug Zieseemer (OD)
Sorters	Joan Masters
Hardware	Ted Brokaw, Dan Burroughs and John Dahl
Shoes & Sports	Dave Drake and Charmin Archer
Men's Clothing	Jim Coach and Dave LaMoreaux
Electronics	Bill Robb and the Geeks
Lamps	Dennis Powers and the Night Walkers
Antiques	Rose Marie Barhydt
Beds & Garden	Kathy Stroud and Mike Anglin
Office & Medical	Jim Mattson and the Lego Monster Fighters
Books/Records	Bill Heller
Vouchers	Rose Marie Barhydt, Marianne Clauw, Sally Lamkin and Ellen Webb
Invocation	Gordon Beeman
Greeters/Attend.	D. Leslie, D. Kossick, L. Panning, J. Jeszke, J. Robinson (Attendance)
Hospitality	John Dahl
Cashier	Martha Petroski

Guests at Our Club...

Brian Waskiewicz introduced our guests starting with Susan Smith Gray, wife of **Bob Gray**. Our honorary members had several supporters including Kelly Vore, new owner of Downtown Home and Garden; Prudy Dittmar, wife of **Larry**; and Amanda Dean, Assistant Director of the VA Ann Arbor Health System. Corky Wattles from the Ann Arbor Ypsilanti Chamber of Commerce was the guest of **Dale Leslie**. Circle K was represented by Kathleen Hurley, Steven McCarey and Angela Halcisak. Potential new member Dree Ziegler rounded out the guest list. Welcome all!

Announcements...

- **Harry Cross** reminded the membership that Kiwanis supports three nursing students through the Haiti Nursing Foundation. This is accomplished through member contributions and the Cross Foundation. Please consider assisting with this worthwhile endeavor.
- **Joan Masters** reported that additional help is needed for the sale's Women's Clothing Department.
- **Big Deal Announcement: President Betsy and Dale Leslie** announced the exciting news that our Kiwanis Foundation is a finalist for the Retail Division honoree in the 11th annual **Ann Arbor News Deals of the Year** event. The "deal" is the purchase and opening of Kiwanis Center West. The other two finalists are Arbor Farms Market and Urban Ashes. The gala ceremony will be held on Friday, November 13 at the Ann Arbor Marriott. Individual tickets are available for \$120 [online](#). If there is enough interest we may want to consider buying a table of 10. Ticket sales end November 6.

Fines:

The **Dever** duo made sure that all paid. **Dan** proposed a fine on all sitting in new chairs, and **Nick** for those in vintage chairs. That only left the standing committee.

Happy Dollars:

Claire Dahl declined to reprise her hit song, but was still happy about the Rosie the Riveter Guinness Book success. **Sally Lamkin** contributed for **Luke Panning** fiddling around at Washtenaw Camp Placement event. **Dick Smit** complimented the Membership Committee for our great new members. **Pres Betsy** happy about her 40th anniversary. **Marianne Clauw** was happy her son made safe sky diving landing, and didn't tell her before the jump.

Stuff You Should Know...

Board Meeting News:

President Betsy provided a summary of the October Board of Directors meeting: Our current membership is 141. This is the start of the fiscal year and the historical low membership point. Several new member applications are in process so the number will be increasing. 2014-15 sales totaled \$513,362, a 12.6% increase over the previous fiscal year. Adding vouchers would increase the total to \$545,102. The club budget was approved with a slight surplus. Approval of the foundation budget was deferred for 90 days. We will be losing Sheridan Books as a tenant this year, and are speaking with several replacement tenants. The board felt that additional tenants were likely to be committed by the end of the year, and a more informed decision on the budget and particularly the Grant Policy Committee allocation can be made at that time. All normal operating expenses will be paid in the 90 day interim period. A new committee is being formed to review the club and foundation structure.

Hospitality News:

Dale Leslie welcomed back **Rip Kinney**. Oscar "Tiger" Elling recently passed away. He was **Gary Elling's** dad and a former member of the Michigan Marching Band. (**Dale** neglected to mention it is the finest band in the land.)



Sale volunteer Mary Hill is taking care of her very seriously injured daughter. A note of encouragement can be sent to Mary at 2700 Lookout Circle, AAM 48104.



Another long-time volunteer Addie Laetz lost her son, Richard Erickson, due to illness in August, and a card would be appreciated sent to Addie at 687 Boston Court, AAM 48103.

The Hospitality Chair beginning on Sunday, November 1st, is **John Dahl**, 734.971.2502; cell 734.395.3840 or jedwardd20@gmail.com.

Interclubs:

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.

Attendance Today: 65

Last Week's Sale Revenue:

KCD:	\$ 6,309	Today's Fines:	\$21.98
KCW:	5,188	Mott Pot:	221.21
eBay:	<u>367</u>	Today's Happy Dollars:	\$43
Total:	\$ 11,864	Vouchers:	\$1,040 (5 families)



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KCD
Saturdays
9am-Noon

KCW
Fridays and
Saturdays
9am-1pm

October 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Donations 9am-Noon	2 Sale: KCW 9-1	3 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
4	5 Emergency Responders Donations 9am-Noon	6	7	8 Donations 9am-Noon	9 Sale: KCW 9-1	10 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
11	12 Sr. Drug Abuse Donations 9am-Noon Columbus Day	13 Board Meeting 7pm, Ned's Place	14	15 Donations 9am-Noon	16 Sale: KCW 9-1	17 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
18	19 UM Football Donations 9am-Noon	20	21	22 Donations 9am-Noon	23 Sale: KCW 9-1	24 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
25	26 Honorary Member Install Donations 9am-Noon	27	28	29 Donations 9am-Noon	30 Sale: KCW 9-1	31 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1

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 Sale: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
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					

❖❖❖ 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 ❖❖❖

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



Induction of 2015 Honorary Members:



George Gilligan served as Master of Ceremony



2015 Honorary Members and their introducers (L-R): Honorary Member Elizabeth Pollard Hines. Dale Leslie, Margaret Krasnoff, Lynne Lande, Honorary Member Barbara Conatser, Honorary Member Mark Hodesh, Honorary Member Larry E. Dittmar and Clarence Dukes, Honorary Members Claire and Paul Tinkerhess with introducer Al Gallup.

- **Judge Elizabeth Pollard Hines**—Judge, 15th Judicial District Court and the former Presiding Judge of the District Court Division of the Washtenaw County Trial Court
- **Barbara Conatser**—VA Hospital- Ann Arbor; an U.S. Army Veteran and Chief of Voluntary Service and supervisor of Chaplain Service
- **Mark Hodesh**—Of counsel and former owner of the renown Hertler Brothers Home and Garden retail store, Ann Arbor
- **Larry E. Dittmar**—Retired educator and former department chair, AA Huron HS Symphony Orchestra & principal in the AA First United Methodist Church Kenyan music mission project
- **Claire and Paul Tinkerhess**—Principal volunteers and founders of the annual Water Hill music series and annual neighborhood projects

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- [Kiwanis International](#)
- [U of M Circle K](#)
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Union or League (Check Cal-
endar on Website)
- [Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti](#)
Meets Noon Wednesdays at
EMU Student Center
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