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Today's Program...

Claire Dahl introduced **Dave Hartmann** who is Mentor-in Residence for the U of M's Tech Transfer program and an advisor to various programs at the U of M's Ross School of Business. He grew up in Jackson and attended Western Michigan University where he earned both a BA and an MA in Electrical Engineering. Not bad for a guy whose junior high counselor told him he wasn't college material. After graduating from Western, he worked first for Sycor and then for Nortel, a Canadian company with facilities in Ann Arbor. Nortel became a major player in the telecommunications industry in 1984 when Ma Bell was broken up into 7 regional phone companies. When Nortel closed its Ann Arbor facility in 1999, Mr. Hartmann started his own company, Avail Networks, which developed



routing and switching equipment for the telecommunications industry. Mr. Hartmann said that when you start your own business you need to create something of value and be willing to take a huge risk as many start-ups fail. Getting people to believe in what you are doing is essential to raising the capital for high-tech start-ups. When the tech bubble burst in 2001, Avail "pivoted" (changed directions) to building 3G and 4G networks for cell phones. In 2003, Avail and a French company with which it had partnered were both poised to be acquired by Verizon but then the Iraq war broke out and Verizon decided that was not a good time to acquire a French company. Hartmann ultimately sold Avail to ERI (Eastern Research). He said that it is good that the State of Michigan is now investing in local start-ups and that there are 20 venture capital companies based in Ann Arbor. He sees the US as more competitive now than in the recent past because the US is really good at innovation and because wages in other countries are catching up with US rates.

Next Week's Program...

Dan Fischer, Child Life Director, U of M Mott Children's Hospital will be introduced by **Larry French**.



This is what we call HOME...
now in our 93rd year.



The Kiwanis Thrift Sale

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



ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Announcer | Clarence Dukes |
| Officer of Day | Clarence Dukes |
| Dockers | If you are available, please show up to help! |
| Warehouse | Bob Gray, Martha Petroski, Nick Dever, John Schenk, Al Engerer |
| Sorters | Kathy Stroud |
| Hardware | Jerry Brown, Dan Burroughs, Bill Hallock |
| Furniture | Bryce Babcock, Paul Klinger, Mel Williams |
| Shoes & Sports | Dave Drake, Gordon Beeman |
| Men's Clothing | Don McEwen, Dick Smit |
| Electronics | Bill Robb and Gang |
| Lamps | Dick Smit, Dennis Powers |
| Antiques | Sally Lamkin, Jane Talcott |
| Garden, Beds, Toys | Lee Bachman, Dave Bell |
| Office & Medical | Jim Mattson and Gang |
| Vouchers | M Kelly, C Williams, D Clewell, G Preston, E Webb |
| Invocation | Jerry Brown |
| Greeters | Jim Blomquist, Dale Leslie, Kathy Barden Perlberg, Ann |
| Mattson | |
| Hospitality | Kathy Stroud |
| Cashier | Martha Petroski |

Guests at our Club...

Dale Leslie introduced prospective members **Ellen Webb** and **Cynthia Barton-Spencer** and Circle K members Ashley Austin, Chiara, and Zachery Gizicki.

Announcements...

Comedy Show: Division Ten of Kiwanis is sponsoring "**Stand Up & Eliminate**", a Comedy Show to benefit the **Eliminate Project** this Saturday, October 12, at 7 pm at the Eastern Michigan University Student Center Auditorium, 900 Oakwood St in Ypsilanti. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and can be purchased at any EMU Box Office, or by calling 734-487-2282, or on-line at EMUTix.com, or at the door. Doors open at 6 pm. All Kiwanians are urged to support this great event. In addition to seeing a fantastic show, you may win the 50/50. Don't wait. **Get your tickets NOW!!**

Interclubs: **Dave Drake** announced that four of our members attended the **Detroit No. 1 Club's 100th Birthday Celebration** at the Detroit Athletic Club last week and that **Ann Arbor Western** is hosting a SuperInterclub later this month. Details to follow. Next week **Dave** will unveil a new program designed to boost our Club's Interclub participation.

Circle K is hosting its annual **Service Day** from **8 am Saturday, November 16th to 8 am Sunday November 17th**. In coordination with many other U of M student groups, Circle K members perform **24 hours of community service** for many organizations in the Ann Arbor area. Last year Circle K hosted more than 140 service projects and worked with more than 50 organizations. Circle K would love to have our members volunteer with them on Service Day this year. Please use the following link to sign up for projects. The link will be activated soon so if you unable to sign up now, please try again later.

<http://mcirclek.org/serviceday/>

Fines: Tom Dew tagged Pres. John Dahl for starting his first meeting as President two minutes late. Don McEwen made sure everyone else was fined, too.

Happy Dollars: Fred Sanchez to inspire the Lions; Jim Kane for Michigan's victory and great Michigan apples; Don Kern for being a statue and not a pigeon; Dale Leslie in honor of Detroit #1's long time secretary Jim Hymis; Bob Barden, Jr, for 2 wonderful weeks in Italy with his wife Marti, his sister Kathy Barden Perlberg, and her husband Rich; Bob Johnson for seeing the fruits of his 25 years of labor with his apple trees; Ron Williams who hopes someone can identify an unusual Coleman product and in anticipation of being contacted by someone who has 2 Michigan-Indiana tickets; John Schenk for Bill Hallock's great work with the Aktion Club; John Goff for an event-filled weekend in Virginia; Secretary Jeanette Okuley for all the members who have paid their dues and for Mike Dabbs' donation of a printer/copier/scanner to her home office so she can now "work from home" and in memory of John Strand who was a supporter of Washtenaw Camp Placement; Jim Wight for his up-coming trip to Raleigh for his granddaughter's first birthday; Bill Hallock because Pres. John was dressed in yellow and blue today; and Harry Cross who was happy to see Chris Winkler with us today.



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Hospitality Information...

Long time member John Strand passed away on Oct.4 at the age of 96. John will be remembered for his many contributions to the Club as a whole and for repairing vacuum cleaners and sewing machines for many years. Service details are not available yet.

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Children of the
World... our
motto, our
mission"*

Stuff You Should Know...

The Solar Car race in Australia started on October 6.

Meetings: Monday, October 14

Before the meeting: 10:45 -- SMOC; 11:30 -- Social Committee

After the meeting: 1:15 -- Membership and Community Services

Next Week's Menu: Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, corn, and pumpkin fluff

Social Activities: Martha Petroski is organizing a trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Details to follow.

Miscellaneous: Community Service Committee Chair Sally Lamkin reports that the Club has received a note from the U of M Museum of Art thanking us for a \$1500 grant, which will be used to support docent-guided tours of the museum.

Fines Collected: \$29

Happy \$ Collected: \$35

Attendance Today: 82

Last Week's Sale Revenue (

KAC: \$7253

Warehouse: \$1365

Vouchers: \$909.25

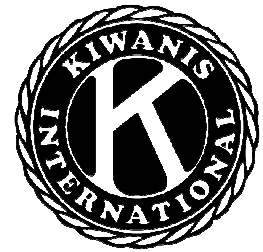
Other: Bags, bags, bags! We need bags for the weekly sales...especially plastic grocery bags. And we need lots of large paper grocery bags for the Holiday Sale. Please put your contributions in the box in the meeting room near the nametag table. Thank you.



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

October 2013

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 Sale + Warehouse |
| 6 | 7 Meeting | 8 Board Meeting | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 Sale + Warehouse |
| 13 | 14 Meeting | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Sale + Warehouse |
| 20 | 21 Meeting | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Sale + Warehouse |
| 27 | 28 Meeting | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |



Planning Calendar

March
Spring Divisional

May
Club Annual Meeting
Elections
Attendance Awards

June/July
International Convention
Club Family Picnic

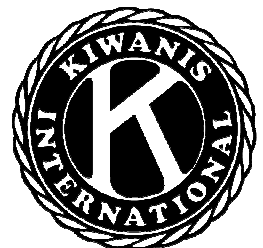
August
District Convention

September
Installation of Officers & Directors
Legion of Honor Awards

December
Christmas Sale
Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Club Christmas Party

November 2013

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 24 | 25 Meeting | 26 | 27 | 28 Thanksgiving Holiday | 29 | 30 Closed |

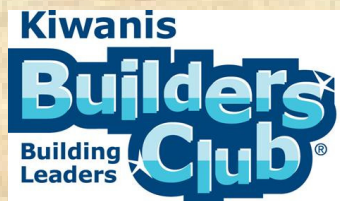


Other News...

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



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www.a2kiwanis.org

"Kiwanis Thrift Sale" is on
the Web
www.kiwanissale.com
and



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