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Today's Program.....

Kathy Griswold introduced, John Seto, Ann Arbor Chief of Police. John has been with the Ann Arbor Police Department for 23 year. During that time his assignment included Patrol Officer, Detective, Patrol Sergeant, Detective Lieutenant, Patrol Shift Commander and Deputy Chief of Operations. John was appointed Chief of Police and Safety Services Administrator in July 2012. Chief Seto has a BS from EMU, is a graduate of Police Staff and Command and the 233rd Session of the FBI National Academy.

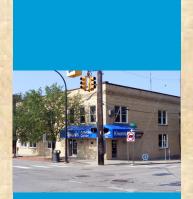
Chief Seto provided the Club with a review of the history of services, the current status and challenges. The origins of the Ann Arbor police began on May 3, 1847 with the election of the



first Marshall for the city. The Department was created in 1871. The Department and the city has needed to respond appropriately to the unique needs of this community throughout the decades, however, an overarching theme for citizens is "do they as individuals feel safe". Chief Seto is often asked the following questions, How's the staffing level? Do you have enough cops? The response takes the form of "It depends." It depends on the services requested and needed by this community at a particular time and place. How's crime in Ann Arbor as it compares to other cities? Each city has unique attributes, needs, and service models. Ann Arbor crime numbers over the last ten years is trending downward. In response to the question, what is being done about crime? The response is "A lot" including the use of technology, collaboration, and community engagement. Our current and future needs will include more collaboration between citizens, agencies, cities, townships, the state and the federal government. It is important that officers are able to maintain adequate patrols with visibility including at neighborhood events and meetings. Increase the use of technology such as the new police e-desk kiosk at city hall which can be used the citizens to make police reports, obtain traffic crash reports, make payments, get information, and make tips. There is now on-line police reporting with a link from the AAPD home page so citizens can make reports such as harassing phone calls, theft, vandalism, lost or damaged property and/or tracking map for Ann Arbor called "CrimeMapping.com, Crime Stoppers at 1-800-SPEAK UP, and the new Code RED Notification system. Currently there are over 300 Neighborhood Watch Block Captains across the city.

Next Weeks Program.....

May 6th – **Ron Gardner**, **Fred Sanchez**, **Ann Mattson** for the Election of Club Officers, and **Jerry Brown** featuring Perfect Attendance, Special Recognition, and Legion of Honor Awards.



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ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

Announcer | Clare Dukes
Officer of Day | Ann Matson

Dockers | (HELP!! – We need folks to volunteer as Dockers for May 4th.)

Warehouse | Sheridan Springer, Martha Petroski, Jerry Brown, Larry French,

Doug Ziesemer, Al Engerer, Paul Herdon (W)

and Dick Pitcher (W).

Sorters | Alan Burg and Kenneth Hillenburg
Hardware | Bill Lynn, Dough Hanton and Bill Hallock
Furniture | Mel Williams, Bob Barden Jr., and Paul Klinger

Shoes & Sports | John Kidle and Jim Meretta

Men's Clothing | **Jim Couch** and ? (HELP need one more volunteer.)

Electronics | Bill Robb and Associates

Lamps | Chris Winkler, Rob Schultz, and Friends

Antiques | Pat Buhrer and Jane Talcott
Beds & Toys | Lee Bachman and Dave Bell
Office & Medical | Jim Mattson and Team

Vouchers | (Vouchers are done until next fall, Thanks everyone)

Invocation | Sally Lamkin

Greeters | Dick Benedek, Claire Dahl, Garry Donner and Don McEwen
Hospitality | Melissa Tyler 734-790-0527 (best) or mmt203@gmail.com

Cashier | Martha Petroski

Guests at our Club......

Joan Miller and Julie Deloria from Meals on Wheels / Big Heart for Seniors Program, guest of **Molly Kelly** was Rory Crook of Dawn Farms, Bob Hoepner from Ann Arbor, Western, John Weiss representing the Rutherford Pool in Ypsilanti, Matt Babcock, son of **Bryce Babcock**, and a six folks from UofM Circle K; Alex Novo, Chiara Sachellares, Zack Gizicki, Jonathan Miela, Wisam Berry, and Megan Pratt. So glad you could join us today.

Announcements.....

Everyone please remember to wear your Kiwanis Pins to the May 6th meeting. Thanks

Speakers for the following four weeks are:

May 13th – Jake Wesolek, Coaching Staff USA Hockey

May 20th – Richard Carlisle, Intentional Communities of Washtenaw

May 28th – (Tuesday) **Amy Conlin Rolfes**, **Pete Schork, Donald Kenney,** and **Harry Cross**, featuring Kiwanis Scholarships

June 3rd – Dori Edwards, Medical Marijuana Update

Go to the club website home page and click "New Calendar Link" for additional program listings.

Ron Gardner presented the slate of candidates nominated for 2013-2014 Officers and for 2013-2015 Directors for its second reading. The annual election of Officers and Directors is scheduled for next Monday, May 6, 2013. 2013-2014 candidates include for Vice President John Goff and for Treasurer Cliff Sheldon. Board Members for 2013-2015 include Dan Burroughs, Alan Caldwell, Andrea Kotch-Duda, Robert Johnson, and Gretchen Preston.

President Mark reported that the total for the Kiwanis Voucher Program for this administrative year set a new record at \$36,028. Thank you to all involved.

Dave Drake will be the program this Tuesday at the Ann Arbor Kiwanis Western meeting. He will be sharing stories from his 49 going on 50 years in the press box. We are welcome to attend their meeting.

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Fines and Happy Dollars.....

Fines:

Nick Dever proposed a fine for any current, retired, and/or future banker based on interest lost of future fines. Passed. **Don McEwen** asked for a fine for everyone else since he was already walking around the room collecting the first fine. Passed.

Happy Dollars:

Don Kern shared a good story about Kiwanis, a porch, and a Ferrari. Bryce Babcock for his surprise visit and Skyped with his other son in Romania. Harry Cross shared a National Geographic need to know about Australian frogs and their unique reproductive methods. Max Ziegler was thankful for subs for Meals on Wheels and Hospitality, a trip to Minnesota to visit granddaughter's confirmation, interesting train trip there and back and finally for the \$652 found in a shirt pocket recently donated to the Thrift Sale. Jim Meretta wanted to make amends to Dan Burroughs and the correction for the upcoming "Measure 4 Measure" Concert, which will be held on Saturday, May 18th at 7:30 pm. Tickets are complimentary and encourage a donation to Kiwanis Eliminate Project. See Jim or Dan. Alex Novo from Circle K welcomed the new chair for UofM Circle K, Chiara. John Sampselle reinforced and encouraged folks to attend the Haiti Nursing Foundation fundraiser on Friday, May 10th at the City Club. See President Mark's announcements for info. Jane Talcott in memory of Larry Ferguson who passed away yesterday after a 10 year fight with cancer. And on a more happy note for a new puppy from her son. Amy Conlin Rolfes for the upcoming Adult Spelling Bee fundraiser to be held at WCC on May 3rd for the Family Learning Institute and for the recent article in the Ann Arbor Observer (page 13). It's great to be a Kiwanian. Wisam Berry from UofM Circle K to share that Megan Pratt, also Circle K, and he have loved begin part of the Kiwanis family at UofM these last four years, attending these meetings, and they are graduating from UofM this week. Congrats to you and Best Wishes. John Schenk was glad that last week he talked with Marie and Gene Glysson at a concert and that Marie was feeling up to attending. Jim Kane thanked President Mark for his forward thinking and uplifting speech last week on the "State of the Club". Don McEwen was thankful for Kiwanis Kindness, which is provided to everybody. John Seto, Ann Arbor Chief of Police, and today's program presenter, hoped that his speech will be as interesting and informative as the "Happy Dollars" were today.



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Stuff you should know.....

Fines Collected: \$21.47 Happy \$ Collected: \$36.00

Mott Pot Collected for April: \$168.25

Attendance today: 84 KAC Thrift Sale: \$5,890.00

Warehouse Thrift Sale (Next Warehouse sale scheduled for May 4th.)

Sales from eBay for the month: \$1,500.00

From City Recycling: \$1,081.00

In addition, Vouchers provided: 12 families served last Thursday for a total of \$1,606.50 **This administrative year's Voucher Total set a record at: \$36,028.** Voucher Program begins again next fall.



Forerunner of the Thrift Sale....the vision continues.

Hospitality Information.....

Max Ziegler reported the following. Please remember that your calls, visits, letters, and cards to these folks are most welcomed. Tom Lovell has a positive attitude, sleeping a lot. Enjoys your cards. Mike Barrett is getting stronger. He has an appointment with his surgeon on June 5th and hopes to return shortly after. Jim Krick No update this week. He is at Towsley Center in Chelsea and welcomes visitors. Don Kenney No update this week. Marie Glysson, wife of Gene No update this week. Lloyd Kitchens had lung cancer surgery last week. He is at home recovering. Ingrid Sheldon, wife of Cliff had breast cancer surgery last week and is now at home resting. Your cards, and letters are welcomed but please no flowers. Sad news was received that Amber McEwen passed away after a long illness. She was the wife of member Don McEwen. There will be a memorial gathering/visitation on Saturday, May 4th from 3-6 p.m. at Nie Family Funeral Home, 3767 West Liberty Road, Ann Arbor. Please note that the Hospitality News for the month of May will be announced by Melissa Tyler 734-790-0527 (best) or mmt203@gmail.com.

Miscellaneous:

Next Week's Lunch Menu: Beef Broccoli, Rice, Carrots, Green Salad, Bean Soup and May Birthday Cake for Dessert.

<u>Kiwanians in the Observer:</u> Check out the Ann Arbor Observer for May. **Dale Leslie** authored the article on page 11 regarding "Court Reform" and on page 13 our own **Amy Conlin Rolfes** "Lessons in Survival" regarding the Family Learning Institute.

New Batch of Thank You Letters from Kiwanis Grant Recipients: We received six new letters thanking us for awarding Kiwanis grants. Each letter describes how the grant monies support children, youth, and families of this community. Copies of the letters are located in the mailbox file on the table next to the member's badges. This list is updated when new letters are received. This week's thank you letters include: The Hikone Exchange Program (\$1,700), Avalon Housing of Ann Arbor (\$2,500), The Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (\$1,250), Catholic Social Services of Washtenaw (\$2,500), Community Action Network, Ann Arbor (\$2,000), and Packard Health, Ann Arbor (\$2,250).

Jerry Brown reminded us that the Legion of Honor and Perfect Attendance Awards are next week on May 6th. Everyone please remember to wear your Kiwanis pins to next week's meeting.

The Michigan District of Kiwanis Golf Outing is scheduled for Tuesday, June 4th at the Eldorado Golf Course, Mason, MI. \$65 per golfer. Registration due May 22nd. Contact **Larry French.**

Jim Kane announced the program Story Time Players, which needs volunteers to read books to elementary students once a month. If you are interested, please contact **Jim.**

President Mark provided information about the Haiti Nursing Foundation (HNF) upcoming fundraising event featuring Dick Gordon, host of American Public Media's "The Story". Friday, May 10, 2013 from 6-8 pm at the Ann Arbor City Club on Washtenaw Ave. Strolling supper followed by the program, cash bar. Tickets are \$75. If you want to include an Afterglow Party to meet Dick Gordon along with the supper, tickets are \$100. Please RSVP to HNF by May 3rd 734-353-9565 or info@haitinursing.org. Copies of information were available at your table.

Kiwanis Thrift Sales at the Warehouse new expanded days of operation will include ALL Saturdays and the new time will be 10:00 am to 1:00 pm effective May 4^{th} .

Presentations:

Gary Evans introduced John Weiss from the Rutherford Pool Project in Ypsilanti thanked this Club for its recent grant of \$1,500 towards the repair and reopening of that community swimming pool. The pool is over 40 years old, but needed to close last year due to much needed repairs. Prior to this the pool has over 15,000 visits by children each summer. Repairs will total over \$1,000,000 and this Club's grant was very timely in reaching this funding raising effort.

Joan Miller from Meals on Wheels / Big Heart for Seniors thanked this Club for its recent important grant, the Kiwanis volunteers daily Meals on Wheels delivery routes, and several Kiwanis members who just recently recognized for over 35 years of support to Meals on Wheels. Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels provided over 134,000 meals to 385 clients last year. Future fundraisers include the Ann Arbor Marathon on June 9th, need 100 runners who will raise at least \$50 each and a golf outing on July 15th. Contact Joan if interested.

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May 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 Sale + Warehouse
5	6 Meeting	7 Board Meeting	8	9	10	11 Sale + Warehouse
12	13 Meeting	14	15	16	17	18 Sale + Warehouse
19	20 Meeting	21	22	23	24	25 NO SALE
26	27 Memorial Day-No Meeting	28 Meeting	29	30	31	



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16	17 Meeting	18	19	20	21	22 Sale + Warehouse
23	24 Meeting	25	26	27	28	29 Sale + Warehouse

Meetings:

After today's meeting: Communications Committee and Community Services

After next week's meeting: Past Presidents

Social Activities:

GET YOUR TIGER TICKETS HERE! The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor members and guests have a group trip planned to see the Tigers vs. the Chicago White Sox on Saturday, August 3, 2013. \$65 per person includes, bus trip, food, and pop on the bus, reserved protected infield upper deck box seats, behind home base. Contact **Fred Sanchez** 734-277-7077 or email at fsanchez@aol.com.

DINNER AND A PLAY! **Martha Petroski** announced the next Kiwanis Night at the Purple Rose Theater in Chelsea for the world premiere of "Miles & Ellie". Is it possible to get a second change at your first love? This charming and funny play will make you wonder. Tickets are \$23 each and a dining room up to 30 folks is reserved at the Common Grill. Friday, June 21, 2013. See **Martha** ASAP.

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We need to start one of these!! Who has a Middle School child or grandchild?



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