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## **Today's Program.....**

Today's speaker was Dick Lawrence, who retired from the EPA National Vehicle and Fuel Emission Laboratory in Ann Arbor in 2001, where he was director of engineering operations and later championed a major facility renovation. After retirement his interest in flying increased and led to his current cause, Kid's Wings which he formed in 2004. Dick related how he and many other volunteer pilots with privately owned airplanes play a pivotal role in transporting patients, especially children, to distant medical facilities to receive specialized medical treatment. Kid's Wings is 501(c)3 non-profit organization formed to facilitate fund-raising for the program. Our Community Services Committee contributed \$2250 this past year. The cost per flight is about \$500 and there are substantial other costs including a \$20,000 engine overhaul for his Cherokee Arrow. Dick has flown over 200 missions, mostly for children. He was on the front page of the Detroit Free Press on 9/17/2012, headlining an article describing the free flight program. In 2011 pilots flew roughly 46,100 missions in all 50 states.



Kid's Wings operates to provide flights. They are linked to the coordinating agencies Angel Flight, Air Lifeline, and Lifeline Pilots, which administrate the flights but do not provide planes or pilots. Sometimes distances are so great that a patient may take 2 or more flights to reach the specialist needed for their (usually rare) condition. Angel Flight also coordinates flights for organ transplants patients and Dick has flown many of these.

Contributions may be mailed to Kid's Wings, 5144 Lisch Drive, Whitmore Lake, MI 48189-9774 or made online at [www.kidswings.org](http://www.kidswings.org).

## **Next Weeks Program.....**

Pamela Cornell-Allen from the Washtenaw Alliance for Children and Youth

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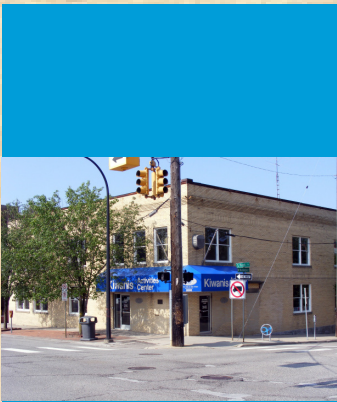
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evolved....these are our  
heroes.

## ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

**Sale is closed this weekend.....**

<b>Invocation  </b>	Lynne Lande
<b>Greeters  </b>	Alan Burg, Steve Hiller, Ron Williams, Sara Mehraban
<b>Hospitality  </b>	Jerry Brown
<b>Cashier  </b>	Martha Petrosky

## **Guests at our Club.....**

Steve Hiller introduced **Pat Buhrer's** husband Arno, and also **Dick Benedek's** wife Elissa and their two grandson's Ryan and Evan Benedek.

## **Announcements.....**

The Honorary Member committee is seeking nominations for this recognition. There will be forms available at the next meeting. Please give thought to candidates and follow through with the form.

### Meetings:

The Kiwanis Board of Directors will meet at 7:15 PM Tuesday July 2.

The Membership Growth and Education Committee will meet after the meeting on July 8.

### Social Activities:

The annual Kiwanis picnic will be at the Pittsfield Township Park Sunday July 14 from Noon to 3 PM. Contact **Max Ziegler** to reserve your own free barbecue ribs. Bring a dish to pass.

The past-president's picnic will be on July 10 at **Sherry Springer's** home. Arrive anytime after 3 PM.

The Kiwanis Top-of-the-Park night is Wednesday July 3. A few tickets are still available. Contact **Ron Gardner**. Note that if there is rain we might move to the Kiwanis Activity Center.

## Fines and Happy Dollars.....

**Fines:** Don McEwen proposed a fine on all members who were not celebrating Canada Day today. John Kidle nominated all members under age 75 not marching in the Fourth of July parade. Both passed.

### **Happy Dollars:**

Lynne Lande wanted to thank Gordon Beeman for leading the way on the survey and also Mikell for her substantial contributions. Jim Kane gave \$2 for the two excellent concerts he recently attended. Jeanette Okuley was happy to have warm, dry feet after spending a week camping in southern Ohio where she experienced far too many deluges. George Gilligan had \$20, for 2 weeks in France, a Porsche event in Traverse City, and his 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Don McEwen received a call from Ty Knoy wishing him a happy Canada Day. Don Kossick thanked Ron Gardner for an excellent job as club president and especially for his leadership on the Eliminate Project. Don Kern gave \$2.50 for Canada Day, \$2.50 for his eldest's daughter's birthday on July 4, and finally \$1 to show off his new Yooper cap, courtesy of men's clothing, and to explain that every Yooper has a pet troll (someone who lives below the bridge). Gordon Beeman gave \$5 in thanks for Mikell's help on the survey. Joe Medrano gave \$4 to mention his Norwegian cruise and \$1 to describe an example of a real pain in the butt. Harry Cross asked for a volunteer driver for after today's meeting.



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## Hospitality Information.....

Bill Lynn Is receiving chemotherapy at his home.  
Don Kenney is very weak and almost unable to communicate.

## Stuff you should know.....

Fines Collected: \$ 24

Happy \$ Collected: \$ 43

Attendance today: 81

### **Last Week Sale Revenue:**

\$ 6435 KCAA    \$1202 Warehouse    \$7655 Total

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mission"*



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

## July 2013

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



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## August 2013

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

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### **Presentations:**

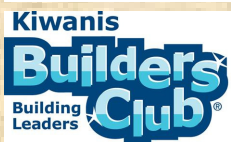
**Gordon Beeman** and Mikell Hyman discussed the Kiwanis member survey now in progress. Mikell is a Ph.D student at the U of M and highly qualified to develop such a survey. The survey will run through July and most members will get an email with links to the online version. It should take about 15 minutes to complete and need not be done at one time. If you stop in the middle, you can pick up at the same spot if you access it through the same browser (such as Safari). The survey does not ask for names and will be anonymous. Any use of data will be in aggregate form.

Members who get the newsletter via US Mail will get the survey that way as well. Other members who wish to do the hard-copy version may request one from Gordon.

### Our Sponsored Programs.....Service to Youth



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



Angell Elementary



Huron High School  
Pioneer High School



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