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Today's Program...



*Today's Introducer,
Kathy Barden-
Perlberg*

Anita Gibson, Vice President of Work Skills Corporation in Brighton made the presentation. She said she was excited about making a presentation to Kiwanis and is willing to see if our organizations can work together in the future.

Work Skills Corp. has been in existence since 1973 and their primary focus has been on developing working skills for people with disabilities or other issues and then helping them obtain paying jobs. Last year they placed 1,267 people in South-eastern Michigan, generating what she estimated to be a 23 million dollar return to the local economy.

Their definition of "disabled" is very broad ranging from having physical or mental limitations to former prisoners returning to society. In addition to physical training they teach soft skills ranging from showing up on time and interacting with a boss or supervisor.

They receive funding from major corporations including Ford, GM and Chrysler, and they use those funds to seeking matching grants from federal agencies. They also have created a wide range of activities for generating revenue. Using their trainees, they do all inspections of engine lift brackets for GM. They have also created a series of small companies for simultaneously training their "students" and generating revenue for the corporation. These small companies range from a janitorial services group to a health care agency, and also an art gallery.

They offer assistance to people at all educational levels with the goal of creating independent citizens. They even offer alternate education options at the K-12 level, including a Charter School in Ypsilanti with an emphasis on the development of job skills.



Today's Speaker, Anita Gibson

Next Week's Program...

January 12 - Ann Arbor: Crystal-Ball Gazing. Speaker: Mayor Christopher Taylor, City of Ann Arbor. Introduction by: **Michael Anglin**, Third Ward City Councilman and club member.

Upcoming Programs...

- **January 19** - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, *How The Younger Generation Views MLK's Life and Teaching*. Keynote address: Helen Maynard, U-M Michael Wallace Fellow. Introduction by: **Arlene Barnes**.
- **January 26** - *Look, Ma! No Hands in Sanitizing Surgical Hands*. Speaker: Dr. Steven F. Bolling, Founder, BIOVIGIL, Ann Arbor, MI. Introduction by: **Bryce Babcock**.
- **February 2** - *Mentor2Youth Program: Builds Childhood Self Confidence*. Speaker: Emmanuel Jones, Founder. Introduction by: **Claire Dahl**.



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:

Officer of Day	Ron Gardner
Dockers	Dockers are needed!
Warehouse	Bob Gray, Ellen Webb, Doug Zieseemer, and Al Engerer
Sorters	We need sorters
Hardware	John Dahl, Jerry Brown and Andrea Kotch D uda
Furniture	Mel Williams, Deb Jones, Jim Blomquist, and Mike Dabbs
Shoes & Sports	Jim Wight and Charmin Archer
Men's Clothing	Jim Couch and Bob Johnson
Electronics	Bill Robb and the Snoring Species
Lamps	Dennis Powers and the Snoozer Set
Antiques	Pat Materk a
Beds & Toys	Steve Hiller
Office & Medical	Jim Mattson and the Sleepy Squadron
Vouchers	No Information
Invocation	William Hampton
Greeters	Gordon Beeman, Larry Hill, Dick Smit, Jocelyn Wilder
Hospitality	Don Clewell
Cashier	Martha Petroski
Attendance	Chris Winkler (Primary), Jim Blomquist and Bryce Babcock (Backup)

Guests at our Club...

Gordon Beeman said we had no guests today.

Announcements...

- **President John Goff** announced the January Birthdays and we all wished them a Happy Birthday! John also announced that things are proceeding well with our purchase of the new Kiwanis Center West (KCW) building. He also said the Board will meet at KCW tomorrow evening at 7:00 pm. Plans are being finalized to hold the District Kiwanis meeting there on the following Wednesday. Finally, President John announced that the 100-year Celebration of Kiwanis will take place on January 24th in Detroit (details to follow).
- **Martha Petroski** said the next Kiwanis night out at the Purple Rose Theater will be on Friday, February 27 , for the presentation of Steel Magnolias. Tickets are \$18 each.
- **Dan Dever** announced that the Kiwanis Environmental Education Research Committee will meet on Sunday, January 11, at 1 pm in the Kiwanis Center West building. They will discuss strategy for submitting a proposal to receive a grant from the federal EPA.
- **Jane Talcott** announced that for our lunch meeting next week we will host all of the Kiwanis volunteers.
- Upcoming Super Interclub Meetings: January 22 at 6:30 pm at the Milan Seniors for Healthy Living Center, 45 Nickel Court in Milan; February 18 at 8:30 am, hosted by Ann Arbor Morning Edition at Glacier Hills Senior Living, 1200 Earhart Rd.

Fines and Happy Dollars...

Fines:

Dale Leslie proposed a fine on **John Dahl**, and everyone at his table, because John's wife **Claire Dahl** was not immediately ready to play the piano at the start of the meeting. It passed. After hearing we had no guests today, **Dan Dever** proposed a fine on everyone who did not have a guest at their table. Somehow, that motion also passed.

Happy Dollars:

John Dahl invited **Bob Johnson** to join him to accept a Green Bay Packers sweatshirt that John purchased from Bob three years ago for \$1. Because of Green Bay's success this year, John is selling the sweatshirt back to Bob for \$10 that goes in the fine bucket. **Fred Sanchez** gave \$1 for the MSU victory, \$1 for **Chris Winkler's** hard work, and \$1 for a special potion he received from Susan who works downstairs. **John Schenk** gave \$1 for his grandson being on the Dean's list again at Clemson University. **Larry French** gave \$1 for the Kansas State University Marching Band, which won a national award. **Ron Williams** gave \$7 for the big Ohio State victory, and the victories of Big Ten colleagues MSU and Wisconsin. **Pat Buhrer** gave \$1 for the appearance of the Kiwanis Float in the Rose Parade. **Dale Leslie** gave \$5 for his visits with Mike Abbot, son of former member **Bud Stein**, and with **Lee and Mary Bachman**. **Jane Talcott** gave \$1 because the Mayor will be our guest speaker next week and we will be hosting our volunteers for lunch. **Max Ziegler** gave \$1 for the nice visit he and his wife had with family members last week in St. Paul. **John Goff** gave \$10 for a nice trip to Virginia last week and the victories for Wisconsin, MSU, OSU, Virginia Tech and the Packers.

Stuff You Should Know...

Meetings:

After Today's Meeting: K-Family Committee

Before Next Week's Meeting: Human Spiritual Values; SMOC

After Next Week's Meeting: Children and Youth Services; Eliminate Task Force; Community Services

Hospitality News:

Kathy Barden-Perlberg's husband, Rich, took a bad fall while skiing at Brighton. He is resting at home from a concussion and bruised ribs. **John Bassett** is at home taking care of his wife, June, who has a serious influenza infection. **Peter Schork's** step-father, Bruce Benner, passed away the previous Saturday in Minnesota.

Social Activities:

Outing to Purple Rose Theater on Feb. 27; see Martha.

Next Week's Menu:

Meatloaf with Creamy Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Apple Crisp.

Attendance Today: 71

Last Week's Sale Revenue

KAC:	\$5,437
Warehouse:	\$1,603
Total:	\$ 7,040

Vouchers: No Voucher Info

Today's Fines: \$25.34

Today's Happy Dollars: \$38



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"funkiest" gift.

Happy
New
Year!



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

January 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				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 Mayor Christopher Taylor Menu: Meatloaf	13	14	15 Donations 9am-Noon	16	17 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
18	19 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 Dr. Steven F. Bolling 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
1	2 Spkr: Emmanuel Jones 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 Spkr: TBA Menu: Deli Sandwiches	10	11	12 Donations 9am-Noon	13	14 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1 <i>Valentine's Day</i>
15	16 Spkr: Waldemar Schmeichel Menu: Citrus Grilled Chicken	17	18 Super Interclub at Glacier Hills 8:30am	19 Donations 9am-Noon	20	21 Sale: KAC 9-12 Warehouse 10-1
22	23 Spkr: Roger Sutherland 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!

News from HQ...

Dear Kiwanian,

Happy (almost) 100th Anniversary. You are part of Kiwanis' century-long legacy of serving the children of the world. For me, it is humbling to be part of an organization that is helping countless people around the world. I trust you have the same feeling.

As we celebrate our 100th Anniversary in 2015, I invite you to be part of Kiwanis' anniversary gift to the world—a world free of maternal and neonatal tetanus. When I went to Guinea in 2012 to review the progress of our investment in The Eliminate Project, a group of mothers gave me faith that elimination of MNT is possible. These 12 women personally knew children and mothers who died from this painful, yet easily preventable disease. These women were dedicated to making sure every woman of childbearing age in their village was vaccinated. Many people around Guinea shared that same commitment.

I hope you will make the same commitment. For just US\$1.80, you can save lives. Will you pledge to Save a Baby a Day? Will you prevent the death of at least one of the 134 newborns who die every day from this dreadful disease? It's easy, convenient and most importantly, it saves lives. Visit www.TheEliminateProject.org/Baby for details. [\(Click here to be included in a special series of informational and inspirational email messages to be sent during the next few weeks.\)](#)

In addition, I hope you will join me in celebrating our many achievements during the past century. All members of the Kiwanis family are invited to attend events as part of the Centennial Tour. You can find more information about all the stops on the 100th Anniversary page of our website, www.kiwanis.org/100.

I also encourage you to hold a celebration with your club. Share the gift of Kiwanis by inviting the community and the media to a club event. Take photos and share them through social media. I would like to see them too. Post them on the Kiwanis Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages, and tag them with #Kiwanis100.

I have seen many changes to Kiwanis since I first joined the Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown, Ontario, Canada, in 1978. Our organization has changed as society has changed. It is clear that Kiwanis is still relevant and needed today.

Yours in Kiwanis service,
John R. Button, M.D.
2014-15 President
Kiwanis International



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

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

www.kiwanis.org

Our Sponsored Programs in Service to Youth:

Kiwanis K-Kids
Young Leaders Helping Others
Angell Elementary

Kiwanis Builders Club
Building Leaders

Kiwanis Club
Huron High School
Pioneer High School

CKI
Circle K International
U of M Circle K

Kiwanis Aktion Club
Service in Action
WISD Aktion Club

ELIMINATE
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

Meetings:

Mondays at Noon
200 S. First Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
www.a2kiwanis.org

Building Phone:
734-665-2211
Thrift Sale Voice:
734-665-0450

"Ann Arbor Kiwanis Thrift Sale" is on the Web at:
www.kiwanissale.com
and



Other Links:

- [Michigan District Kiwanis](#)
- [Kiwanis International](#)
- [U of M Circle K](#)

Meets 7pm Thursdays at UM Union or League (Check Calendar 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 - Morning Edition
Meets 8:30am Wednesdays at Guy Hollerin's

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