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Next Week's Program...

November 28—*Washtenaw Area Council for Children*. Speaker: Jyoti Gupta. Introduction: **Sally Lamkin**.

Upcoming Programs...

- **December 5**—*UM Knight Fellow, Sonia Green*. Introduction: **Dale Leslie**. Meeting at KCW and is our SuperInterclub.
- **December 12**—*Arbor Hospice*. Speaker Judith Vindici. Introduction: TBD. Meeting at KCW.
- **December 19**—*Life Learning Community*. Speaker: John Zylka. Introduction by: TBD.



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Today's Program...

GEORGE F. HIXON FELLOWSHIP AWARDS



Dick Benedek

Last week it was Veterans Day, this week we paid tribute to our valuable Kiwanis Thrift Sale Children's Fund established the George F. Hixon Fellowship, which is named for Kiwanis International's first president. The Hixon Fellowships are bestowed to a Kiwanis club's loyal member designees or friends through the club's donation of \$1,000 or more to the Kiwanis International Children's Fund. During over 30 years, the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor awards a Hixon Fellowship in recognition of its members and

friends who have contributed significantly to the club's legacy of hands-on benevolence to the community. The honorees receive the above award in a box frame, a ribbon necklace bearing the Hixon medal and their name appears on the display board of previous honorees in the club meeting room at Kiwanis Center Downtown. The award ceremony on Monday was ably handled by **Dick Benedek**, a Hixon Fellow. The awardees:

ROBERT M. JOHNSON (joined Kiwanis in 1998) Bob is referred to as "the behind-the-scenes answer man" and is all-knowing about the status of club projects, the activities of our board, and the many committees. Bob was an active member of the Briarwood-Pittsfield Kiwanis Club and when the club dissolved, he sought the greener pastures of our club. As a dedicated club Treasurer and now assistant treasurer, he also shoulders the responsibility of tracking club revenue and expenses including our recent negotiation and purchase of the Kiwanis Center West. Bob is married to his bride, Linda, for 47 years and was employed at St. Joe's Mercy Hospital for 30 years. His secondary loves are golf, gardening, and ball room dancing. "Dance on, Bob! We value your right steps in the club."



Presenter Cliff Sheldon with Recipient Bob Johnson



Recipient John Dahl with Presenter Claire Dahl

JOHN E. DAHL (joined the club in 2004) is a native of Hurley, WI and he and a previous Hixon Awardee, wife Claire, are a dynamic husband-wife team (for 46 years). They are loyal alumni of the University of Wisconsin. John is a past president of the club after concluding a term on the board of directors. He chaired a committee which attractively brought our club meeting room decor into the 21st century. An active member of the AA First United Methodist Church, John is the Treasurer of the large member church. Two wonderful children and soon a third grandchild provide their family focus. John is a retiree in Human Resources at Dundee Cement Company where he earned a solid foundation in over 40 years of employment. "Keep on keeping our club solid, John. It's in your nature."

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Officers and Directors

President:

Alan Burg

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Gretchen Preston

Treasurer:

Eloise Lavin

Secretary:

Kathie Wilder

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President:

Betsy Ford

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ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

Officer of Day KCD	<p align="center">No Downtown Sale this Week. Downtown Dock Open for Donations.</p>
Antiques	
Beds & Garden	
Dockers	
Sorters	
Hardware	
Men's Clothing	
Books/Records	
Office & Medical	
Lamps	
Electronics	
KCW Cashiers & Sales	<p>Friday—Ray Argyle, Nick Dever, Dave Drake, Larry French (OD), Bob Gray, Joe Medrano, Bud Roberts, John Schenk, Cliff Sheldon, Max Supica, Ellen Webb Saturday—Bob Barden, Nick Dever, Al Engerer, George Gilligan, Bob Gray, Gerry Luke, Jerry McMahon, Bud Roberts, Doug Ziesemer (OD)</p>
KCW Sorting & Pricing	<p>Tuesday—George Gilligan, Bob Gray, John Kidle Wednesday—Carol Bagchi, George Gilligan, Bob Gray, John Kidle Thursday—Closed for Thanksgiving Friday—Carol Bagchi, Janet Bloom, Marianne D'Angelo, Peggy Haskins-Duynslager, Margaret MacDonald, Glenda & Ralph Maten, Linda Nichollas Saturday—Marianne D'Angelo, Linda Harris</p>
Vouchers	No Vouchers this Week
Invocation	Larry French
Greeters/Attend.	Dale Leslie, Don Kossick, Luke Panning, Jean Robinson (A)
Hospitality	John Dahl
Newsletter Editor	Dale Leslie
Cashier	Martha Petroski

Hospitality News...

HOSPITALITY IN BRIEF: **Bill Hallock**—home, recovering from surgery; **John McKeown**—well enough to rejoin the club; **Fred Sanchez**—lung infection - clear; **Evans Koukios**—cancer diagnosed; **Eloise Lavin**—husband remains hospitalized, Room 8113, U-M; Todd Jones—perhaps a sugar related illness, condition unknown. **John Dahl** is hospitality chair for the remainder of this month, 734.395.3840.

Dale Leslie ran into Addie Laetz, a former long-time Kiwanis volunteer in dishes. She has moved to:

Ms. Adelaide (Addie) Laetz
Glacier Hills Senior Living Community
1200 Earhart Road #345
Ann Arbor, MI 48105-2768

Same telephone number and the usual smiling face! Addie is the widow of **Ernie Laetz** whose sombrero, which he traditionally wore on Sale days, is displayed in the Downtown meeting room next to the elevator.

Board Notes...



Today's program also included a presentation of **President Alan's Board Notes**. Look for an email notification from **Bob Gray** providing a link to this document.

Fines...

There was a fine that everyone paid. We missed the details, but the money was collected!

Happy Dollars...

Happiness was rampant, but technical difficulties prevented capturing exactly why. Despite lacking actual cash, our Circle K friends in attendance were happy to be there. Fortunately, a couple of generous members stepped forward to cover the shortfall!

Announcements...

Key November/December Dates:

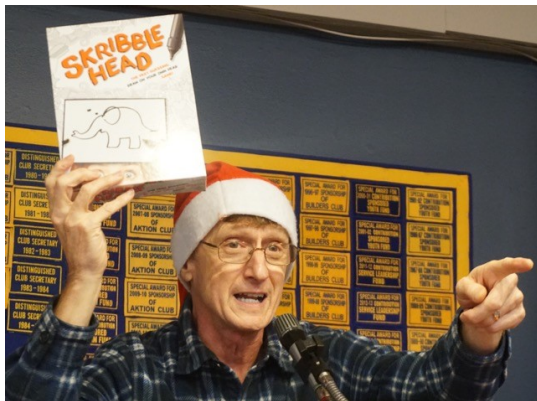
Here at those dates again:

- **Saturday, Nov. 26th**—NO SALE at Downtown (11/26) (drop offs accepted) BUT West will be open Friday (11/25) and Saturday (11/26) (Thanksgiving Week)
- **Monday, Nov. 28th**—Begin sorting, pricing and displaying Christmas Sale merchandise. All available hands on deck!
- **Monday, Nov. 28th**—Note: Meeting at Kiwanis Center West
- **Tuesday, Nov. 29th**—We're assembling artificial Christmas Trees (Ralph Maten is there to guide you) downtown.
- **Friday & Saturdays, Dec. 2nd, Dec. 3rd and Dec. 10th**—Christmas Sale (Q: Peter Schork - 734.417.6733)
- **Mondays, Dec. 5th and 12th**—Meetings at Kiwanis Center West (December 5th we host the SuperInterclub)
- **Saturday, Dec. 17th**—Harold L. Crowell Salvation Army Bell Ringing Project (17 sites around AA covered by our club) See Garry Evans 734.223.6760 mar99gar@hotmail.com The 2016 theme: "Give Hope" 
- **Wednesday, Dec. 21st**—Kiwanis Christmas Party, 5 p.m., Kiwanis Center Downtown (Martha Petroski)
- **Sunday, Dec. 25th**—MERRY CHRISTMAS (no club meeting until January 3, 2017, Kiwanis Center Downtown)

Looking Ahead:

Our weekly Meeting, Tuesday, January 3, 2017, features a special Kiwanis family member program with the talented guitarist and vocalist Mandy Madagame, a professional entertainer and a talented song leader for children of all ages. Lunch will be hot dogs, macaroni & cheese, and hamburgers at our normal \$10 per person price. If the price represents any burden for those members with multiple family in attendance, we could discuss on a case by case basis. Great family entertainment! Save the date! ~Deb Jones, Program Chair

Other News:



Auctioneer Garry Donner in Action!

- **Garry Donner** auctioned games to benefit the Salvation Army.
- **Garry Evans** will be scheduling bell ringing for Salvation Army during three shifts on December 17.
- **Trivia:** A new club handout "Who is the Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor?" summarizes our 95-year history of philanthropy and shows an estimated total of \$6 million raised for community projects. The club awarded \$75,000 in 2015-2016 vouchers through the cooperation of area social agencies to help the less fortunate of our community purchase beds, mattresses, couches, tables, chairs and other assorted household items from our donated stock.

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Lunch Time

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beginning at 11:30am
Come early... get a
parking spot and extra
time to enjoy the good
food before the
meeting starts at
12:10pm

November 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	4 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	5 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
6 DST Ends	7 <u>WWII Experience</u> KCD Donations 9am-Noon	8	9	10 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	11 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1 Veterans Day	12 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
13	14 <u>Honored Volunteers</u> KCD Donations 9am-Noon	15 Board Meeting 6:30pm at KCW	16	17 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	18 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	19 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
20	21 <u>Board News</u> KCD Donations 9am-Noon	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25 Sale & Donations: KCW Open 9-1	26 KCD SALE CLOSED , Donations Open 9-12 KCW Open 9-1
27	28 <u>Wash. Council for Children</u> KCD Donations 9am-Noon	29	30			

December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	2 Sale & Donations: Holiday Sale KCW 9-1, KCD 9am-Noon Purple Rose	3 Sale & Donations: Holiday Sale KCW 9-1, KCD 9am-Noon
4	5 <u>Sonia Green</u> At KCW KCD Donations 9am-Noon	6	7	8 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	9 Sale & Donations: Holiday Sale KCW 9-1	10 Sale & Donations: Holiday Sale KCW 9-1, KCD 9am-Noon
11	12 <u>Arbor Hospice</u> At KCW KCD Donations 9am-Noon	13	14	15 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	16 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	17 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1 Bell Ringing
18	19 <u>Life Learning</u> KCD Donations 9am-Noon	20 Board Meeting 6:30pm at KCW	21 Club Christmas Party	22 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	23 Sale & Donations Closed for Holidays	24 Sale & Donations Closed for Holidays
25 Sale & Donations Closed for Holidays Christmas	26 NO Meeting KCD Donations 9am-Noon	27	28	29 KCD Donations 9am-Noon	30 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	31 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1 New Year's Eve



This Week's Numbers

Attendance:

56

Fines:

\$13.25

Happy \$:

\$32

Mott Pot:

\$0

Vouchers:

\$1,753

\$10,783 YTD

(11 Families)

Thrift Sale:

KCD:

\$6,063

KCW:

\$6,011

Other:

\$0

TOTAL:

\$12,074

••• The fact that you are taking time to read this indicates a high aptitude for being a newsletter editor. Email John Kiddle at jkiddle@gmail.com immediately to volunteer •••



Today's Program Continued...



*Presenter Lynne Lande with
Recipient John Goff*

JOHN B. GOFF (joined the club in 2010) John experienced a meteoric rise in our club leadership which is a credit to his oversight and participation of active, challenging club committees and being an ambassador for the club. A past club president, he is active in the club operations, organization and forward-thinking. He and his wife Sherri have been married for 26 years and have produced three wonderful children. John is the Managing Partner of Retirement Income Solutions of Ann Arbor and joined our club in 2010 after moving to town in 2006. "John, you figure in our club's future!"



*Recipient Alan Burg with Presenter
Peter Schork*

ALAN J. BURG (joined the club in 2010) Our popular chief executive, Alan cut his teeth on Kiwanis leadership as a past board member and President of the Tecumseh Kiwanis Club. He compiled a distinguished career in special education. Alan loves the Quality of Life in Ann Arbor and may talk about it in Spanish. He's bi-lingual. Alan's husband is club member **Kenneth Hillenburg**. "Alan, we're listening to you in any language!"

The Kiwanis dollhouse workshop has homes seeking new owners. Please stop by KCW to see them starting Friday, November 25.



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- [Kiwanis Young Professionals of Washtenaw County](#) Meets 6pm first Thurs. of Month
- [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 Tues. at Quarter Bistro
- [Kiwanis Ann Arbor Morning Edition](#), Meets 8:30am 2nd & 4th Weds. at Guy Hollerin's

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Kiwanis Club/Foundation of Ann Arbor President Alan Burg's 2016-2017 ANNUAL GOALS

I plan to support the following goals:

- 1) Support everyone through a respectful sharing of ideas and offering of solutions throughout the year.**
 - a) Live and be guided by the Six Objects of Kiwanis.
 - b) Honor the Past and Plan for the Future.
 - c) Foster Development and Growth of Members and Increase Total Membership.
- 2) Continue Strategic Planning.**
 - a) **Our Identity:** Help the Strategic Planning Committee identify resources and persons to lead the membership and volunteers through a formal process to discuss, review, identify, and renew how our Club can best support the KIWANIS (KI) MOTTO, DEFINING STATEMENT, and VISION - by February, 2017.
 - b) **Increase Our Financial Stability:** (both Short and Long Term)
 - i) Help the Board identify and develop a process for the Sale of KCD and seek input for the design and implementation of expanded sale floor space at KCW.
 - ii) Help the Board continue and expand our efforts to lease KCW spaces and the sale of the out lot.
 - iii) Help the Board to support a return to increased Gifting ASAP when financially able.
 - (a) Ask our granting committees to review our Gifting Model and the Impact of our Gifts/Grants in alignment with the KI Purpose/Defining Statement and Vision by April, 2017.
 - (i) Review and determine the impact of providing many small gifts, grants, and scholarships vs. the possible impact of providing larger dollar amounts for perhaps fewer gifts, grants, and scholarships. Determine the best balance to gain the greatest impact by April, 2017.
 - (b) Make recommendations for the Board's consideration by June, 2017 for implementation in 2017-18 Kiwanis year.
- 3) Foster Improved Governance** of Club and Foundation and plan for continued growth and change.
 - a) The Club membership will be asked to consider and vote on what specific steps to take regarding the approved Recommendations from our Board and the Re-Organization Committee, regarding size of Board, terms of service, adding a Vice President position, the use of a Chief Financial Officer (CFO), and when in our future to consider the hiring of an Executive Director. This vote will be scheduled no later than January, 2017.
 - b) Ask By-Laws Committee to update By-Laws in time to gain KI approval by March, 2017
 - c) The President-Elect will update all Committees' purpose statements by June, 2017.
 - d) Ask the By-Laws Committee to Update our Club Manual of Administrative Policies & Procedures by August, 2017.



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