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☞ Meetings ☞

- Kiwanis Board Mtg: Tuesday March 8 at KCWest at 7pm.
- Community Services Committee will meet next Monday, March 14, at 1:15 in Ned's Place
- Membership Growth and Education Committee will meet at 1:15 next Monday



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Today's Program... Concussions, Gambling, and Other Youth Sports Issues



Mike Dabbs

Mike Dabbs introduced our speaker Greg Amante, who is an investigative sports journalist with ESPN. Greg also is a Knights-Wallace Fellow at the University of Michigan, and currently living in Ann Arbor. Today's program focused on the effect of sports gambling on kids playing football, and the debate and concern about concussions sustained while playing football. Greg told the story they uncovered about a gambling ring in a community in south Florida: that kids were being "bought and sold" by Pee Wee League football coaches and parents to set up teams as part of a gambling system run by drug dealers. The kids became corrupted and damaged, too, by believing they would be rich and didn't need to go to school. Greg talked about one of the kids, Rob Glover, who was a central figure in the ESPN story. Now an adult, Rob Glover was in prison, illiterate and a criminal involved with the drug dealers who had been running the gambling system. The positive outcome of the investigation was that the south Florida community "woke up", took stock of what was happening, and cleaned up the gambling.



Greg Amante

The second issue Greg spoke about was the alarming effects of concussions sustained in contact sports. Greg pointed out that helmets protect the skull from fractures, but do not protect the brain from smashing against the inside of the skull and concussing, with possible permanent brain damage. The effects of concussion can be subtle but long term, and repeated concussions mean increased brain damage. This is particularly alarming when children's brains, which are still developing, are subjected to injury. Attention has been drawn to the danger of concussions as a result of recent film and lawsuits, but Greg urges that we focus the debate about the effects of contact sports on children's brains... and perhaps establish an age limit, not allowing kids to play high impact sports where they are subject to concussions. He asks the question: can winning and safety walk hand in hand? Is the risk of brain damage worth it?

There were several questions from the audience: What about the danger of rubberized playing fields and kids getting cancer? What about other sports, such as soccer and heading the ball? How do you distinguish between a head bump and a concussion? For more information, Greg directed us to the ESPN website and to look at "[Outside the Lines](#)", where investigative stories and issues are posted.

Greg began and ended his talk with the importance of the purity of sports, where kids learn teamwork and perseverance, and we spectators can celebrate human achievement free of corruption.

Next Week's Program...

March 14—*Flint Water Crisis: Could it Happen Here?* Speaker: Rebecca Meuninck, Ann Arbor Ecology Center. Introduced by: **Jim Huck**.

Upcoming Programs...

- **March 21**—*Observing Autism Awareness Month*. Speaker: Suzi Naguib, Psy.D. Clinical Director/Licensed Psychologist, Sunfield Center for Autism & Behavioral Health. Introduced by: **John Kidle**.
- **March 28**—*On the Horizon Cancer Care*. Speaker: Dr. Phil Stella, Regional Director, Cancer Center, St. Joseph Mercy Health System. Introduced by **Deborah Jones**.



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No Sale at KCD Easter Weekend; KCW will be open at some point that weekend... details to follow.

ASSIGNMENTS for the COMING WEEK:

Officer of Day KCD	Jim Blomquist
Antiques	Sally Lamkin, Jane Talcott
Beds & Garden	Mike Anglin, Ken Shaw
Dockers	We need dockers
Sorters	Kurt Schmerberg
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Electronics	Bill Robb and his Great Horny Toads
KCW	Friday— Susanne Burgess, Arda Centinel, Marianne D'Angelo, Bob Gray (OD), Dave Drake, Dave LaMoreaux, Joe Medrano, Michelle Robb, Ellen Webb Saturday— Bryce Babcock, Gordon Beeman, Kelly Bertoni, George Gilligan, Bob Gray, Deb Jones, Margaret Krasnoff, Jim Wight, Doug Ziesemer (OD)
Vouchers	Ellen Webb, Sally Lamkin, Claire Dahl, Dave LaMoreaux, Susan Smith, Lynne Lande, Dot Catell
Invocation	Sally Lamkin
Greeters/Attend.	Ray Argyle (Attendance), Max Ziegler, Burt and Sally Lamkin
Hospitality	Joan Masters
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Guests at Our Club...

Sally Lamkin introduced Debra Brunk, wife of our speaker Greg Amante; Sara King, wife of **Fred King**; Ryan Anderson, guest of **Mark Wishka**; Margaret Peltier, niece of **Bryce Babcock**; Kathleen Hurley and Ellen Nulty of Circle K. We are happy to have guests with us; all are welcome!

Announcements...

- **President Elect Alan Burg** announced that **Past President John Dahl** will conduct the meeting next Monday. Alan will return for the remaining March meetings and **President Betsy Ford** will be back on April 4.
- **President Elect Alan** also announced that new map directories of the Sale at the KCD are available to hand out to customers. Please distribute them freely. Thanks to **Bob Gray** for designing and creating the floor maps. See page 7 for map images.
- **Doug Hanton** is hosting a pizza party in the housewares and hardware department on Wednesday March 16, from 6-8pm. Everyone is invited! RSVP to Doug: 734-580-2107 or dahan-ton@sbcglobal.net. Oh, and wear your old clothes and come prepared to help with Spring Cleaning in the department... Come in the side door; you will need the code, which you can get from a club officer.
- **Dave Drake** announced that the next Super Interclub will be hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Manchester on Wednesday, March 30 at the church at the corner of M-52 and Pleasant Lake Road. Details to follow. There will be car pools going out. It will be a good time.



Doug Hanton

Lunch is served 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.

Fines:

The editor forgot to put down her fork and pick up her pen and missed the details of fines. **Dale Leslie** proposed a fine, of course, which passed; **Dan Dever** finished us all off... (the cake was delicious). 🍰

Happy Dollars:

No time for Happy Dollars today. Bring them next week!

Stuff You Should Know...**Hospitality News:**

Joan Masters reported that Gloria Bignall, faithful volunteer, fell this morning while working at the Sale and hit her head. She was taken to the hospital for observation and care. Joan reminded everyone that it is essential to have emergency contact information on file here... please complete your information form if you have been contacted by us to update it. **John Goff** is at home and appreciates cards and phone calls, but needs isolation from viruses, etc. so no visitors please. **Letitia Byrd** will be honored for her community service at the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra concert on April 9. The concert will be dedicated to Letitia. The widow of **Judge Sandy Elden**, Odie Elden, was in NYC on his birthday, March 5, and attended the same play they saw while on their honeymoon in 1946. Finally, Joan reported that she talked to lots of people at the meeting today who are feeling great. This early spring weather has brightened us all!

Interclub Report:

Dave Drake informed the membership that the March super-interclub will be at the Manchester Kiwanis Club on March 30th.

Social Events:

- **Max Ziegler** reminded us of the Spaghetti Dinner, co hosted with Circle K, at the KCD on Friday April 8 beginning at 5pm. You can sign up at the Lunch Line.
- **2016 Tiger Trip**—August 6th vs. NY Mets advises trip manager **Fred Sanchez**.
- **Kiwanis Social Night at the Palace**—Pistons vs. Thunder, March 29. Call Interclub Chair **Dave Drake** if interested. \$55 cost includes food and beverage. Deadline 3/15.

Prospective Member:

Marianne D'Angelo, clinical psychologist and volunteer at KCW has submitted her application for membership and has been interviewed by **Past President Lynne Lande**. Her application for membership, co-sponsored by **Bob Gray** and **Ellen Webb**, will be submitted to the Board for approval at it's next meeting. First publication.

March Birthdays:

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS to **John Dahl** (1), **Gordon Beeman**(3), **Andrea Kotch Duda**(3), **Cindy Barton-Spencer**(6), **Todd Jones**(10), **Dave LaMoreaux**(12), **Dave Hughes**(15), **Rip Kinney**(17), **Sara Mehraban**(21), **Martha Petroski** (21), **Paul Klinger**(22), **Bob Conlin** (23), **Bob Snider**(26), **Carl Williams**(28).



Max Ziegler prepares to cut the March Birthday cake.

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27 Easter	28 Cancer Care KCD Donations 9am-Noon	29	30	31 KCD Donations 9-12		

April 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	2 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
3	4 Boy Scouts KCD Donations 9am-Noon	5 Board Meeting 7pm	6	7 KCD Donations 9-12	8 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	9 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
10	11 UM Baseball KCD Donations 9am-Noon	12	13	14 KCD Donations 9-12	15 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	16 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
17	18 City of Dexter KCD Donations 9am-Noon	19	20	21 KCD Donations 9-12	22 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	23 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1
24	25 Deer Cull KCD Donations 9am-Noon	26	27	28 KCD Donations 9-12	29 Sale & Donations: KCW 9-1	30 Sale & Donations: KCD 9-12 KCW 9-1



This Week's Numbers

Attendance:

66

Fines:

\$43.59

Happy \$:

\$0

Mott Pot:

\$0

Vouchers:

\$1,189

(7 Families)

Thrift Sale:

KCD:

\$5,346

KCW:

\$4,565

Other:

\$91

TOTAL:

\$10,020

✂✂✂ 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 ✂✂✂



More News...

A2SO and Scholarships:



Harry Cross

Harry Cross encouraged attendance at the A2SO Concert honoring the contributions of **Letitia Byrd**, and reminded us that scholarship pledges are due today. If you are reading this and meant to make a scholarship pledge to be matched by the Cross Foundation, you could call Harry and see if you can still contribute.

Three-Minute Speech:



Griff Dick

Three Minute Speech by newer member **Griff Dick**. Griff is a retired teacher and attorney. He has taught high school English in several communities, including Jackson, where he also led a journalism class in Jackson State Prison. Griff appreciates Kiwanis, where he experiences open sharing and generosity. Griff grew up in Boy Scouting and worked at scout camps in the summer. His daughter attended Emerson School and Community High. Griff, almost by accident, got involved coaching the kids in attorney roles for the Mock Trial Project at Community High. His involvement lasted for nineteen years! Griff liked that model that was student directed, with himself as a behind the scenes coach. Griff also enjoys walking his dog. He closed by reiterating how happy he is to be part of the Club. We are happy and enriched to have you with us, Griff!

March-April Program Information:

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MARCH-APRIL 2016 Programs

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Amante
ESPN

MARCH 7

"CONCUSSIONS, GAMBLING & OTHER YOUTH SPORTS ISSUES"

Speaker: Greg Amante, a Knight- Wallace Fellow, is an investigative producer for ESPN. In 2014, he received a Alfred I. duPont Award for stories about the high-stakes gambling on Youth Football and a Peabody Award for his work on the series "the concussion crisis in the NFL."
Introduced by: Mike Dabbs

MARCH 14 "FLINT WATER CRISIS: COULD IT HAPPEN HERE?"

Speaker: Rebecca Meuninck, Ann Arbor Ecology Center
Introduced by: Jim Huck

MARCH 21

OBSERVING AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

Speaker: Suzi Naguib, Psy.D. Clinical Director / Licensed Psychologist, Sunfield Center for Autism & Behavioral Health
Introduced by: John Kidle



MARCH 28

"ON THE HORIZON CANCER CARE"

Speaker: Dr. Phil Stella, Regional Director, Cancer Center, St. Joseph Mercy Health System

Introduced by: Deborah Jones



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APRIL 4



"BOY SCOUTS IN ACTION DAY" AT KIWANIS

Speaker: Rachal Carson, Southern Shores FSC
Introduced by: Evan LeRoy (Eagle Scout)

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APRIL 11 (Play Ball!)

"HEY, WE'RE THE DEFENDING BIG TEN CHAMPS!"



Speaker: Erik Bakich, U-M Head Baseball Coach
Introduced by: Rip Kinney

APRIL 18

"TRIALS & TRIBULATIONS: 'WE'RE A NEW CITY!'"

Dexter became Michigan's newest City by voter approval of a Charter on November 5, 2014.

Speaker: Shaun Keough, Mayor (see photo)
Introduced by: Max Ziegler



APRIL 25



"WHAT DOES CULLING DEER CURE?" AN OBJECTIVE OPINION

Speaker: Maurita Peterson Holland, U-M Associate Professor Emerita, School of Information
Introduced by: Dale Leslie

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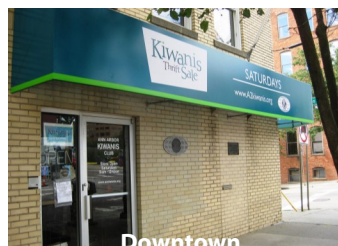


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- [U of M Circle K](#)
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- [Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti](#)
Meets Noon Wednesdays at EMU Student Center
- Ann Arbor Western
Meets Noon Tuesdays at Quarter Bistro
- Kiwanis of Ann Arbor - Morning Edition
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