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NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

September 30—AA YMCA/Glacier Hills Grandparents Project. Speaker: Melissa Goings. Introduction by Deb Jones

UPCOMING PROGRAM

October 7—Treeline Conservancy. Speaker: Heather Seyfarth.

October 14—Gelman Plume Update Speaker: Roger Rayle.

Fiscal Year Gross Sales Top **\$1,000,000!** See inside for all the details.



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TODAY'S PROGRAM...Washtenaw County Update

President Hampton introduced today's speaker, Michelle Deatrick. According to her Wikipedia entry, Michelle is a politician, activist, and poet. Deatrick served in the Peace Corps in East Africa, and as Vice Chair of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners. She was



Today's Speaker
Michelle Deatrick

a policy analyst at Stanford University. She is a graduate of Wesleyan University (Connecticut) and holds Master's degrees from Harvard University and the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. In 2018 she ran for Michigan State Senate, narrowly losing in the primary. Michelle moved to Ann Arbor 15 years ago for graduate school, loved the area, stayed and put down deep roots. She spoke to us today as a private citizen regarding the state of Washtenaw County.

Michelle presented a series of maps and demographic, economic, and quality of life statistics that profiled life in Washtenaw County. Some highlights...

- Washtenaw County is part of a seven county region that comprises about half of the state's population.
- We are the state's sixth largest County with about 370,000 people currently.
- Recent state population growth has been about 1% per year vs. 7% in Washtenaw.
- Michigan's slower growth relative to other states will probably result in the loss of one congressional seat after the 2020 census. The drop from 14 to 13 seats will somewhat reduce Michigan's influence in Congress and would be the first time since 1920 that Michigan had so few seats.
- About 75% of county residents identify themselves as white, 12% as black or African American, 8% as Asian, and 5% as other or multiple races.
- 13% of county residents live below the poverty line, which is above the national average.
- Average income for males is about \$66,000 while females on average earn \$48,000.
- The county is the eighth most economically segregated area in the U.S.—meaning if you're wealthy, it's likely your neighbors are too and vice versa.
- Residents of Ann Arbor zip code 48104 have a life expectancy nine years longer than residents of Ypsi's 48198. (Sounds like it's time we all moved to 48104.)
- Housing prices have increased about 60% in the last five years exacerbating the existing shortage of affordable units. A recent study indicated Ann Arbor needed 2,800 additional affordable units, while Pittsfield Township needed 342 units. This is on top of the significant growth needed in market-rate units.
- We live in a beautiful area and have protected some 3,300 acres of land from development. In the process we've encouraged the continuance of small farms.
- The American Lung Association gives Washtenaw an "A" for particle pollution and a "D" or "F" for ground-level ozone.

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ASSIGNMENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK...

All Sale	See the schedule emailed by the Volunteer Coordinator.
Vouchers	Vouchers on 9/26: Ellen Webb, Dee Smit, Jean Robinson, Bud Roberts, Debbie Rydzon, Bob Johnson, Ken Hillenburg, Sally Lamkin, Gordon Beeman, Susan Smith.
Invocation	
Meeting Greeters	Bud Roberts, Evan LeRoy, John Dahl, Ken Shaw
Hospitality	Dale Leslie
Newsletter	Sandy Rabidoux
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GUESTS AT OUR CLUB...

Ken Shaw introduced today's guests: Prospective member Dennis Lopatin; Kathy Gray, guest of **Bob Gray**; Jill Danbert, Gordon Berry, Jason Gold, and Esther Hampton all guests of **William Hampton**; Arno Buhner, guest of **Pat Buhner**; Mamadou, guest of **Harry Hawkins**; and **Jaylene Gutierrez, Diana Yassin, and Peter Chen** all of Circle K. Welcome all!

HOSPITALITY...

An upbeat report on the health of our club:

- I was told by Marion Hall at the Sale on Saturday that **Jacquie Benton**, widow of former club member **Virgil Drake**, passed away May 27th in Pearland, TX. Jacquie and Virgil were very active Sale workers.
- John Dahl** continues to rehabilitate but his wife Claire reports he has to remain stationery while the doctors are assured that glue used during his surgery is taking hold;
- Bud Roberts** was back in action during this sale weekend and appeared to not have lost pace;



Bob Johnson

- Bob Johnson** was also a sale bounce-back this past weekend with his three bypasses functioning;
- Don and Karen Kossick** did hold their two-week old grandson on Sunday. The baby is fine but reportedly his parents are Sleepless in Seattle; and
- Past President Fulton and Jan Eaglin** remain happy and interested in our club in Claremont, CA where Jan holds an administrative post with Pamona College. Fulton kicked off his term in office with our club by driving his motorcycle solo to the Kiwanis International Convention in Houston, TX. I'm covering for **Don Kossick** through September 30th. My number is 734-660-1023 and email daleleslie@comcast.net. Keep me posted on our health. **Dale**

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- ◇ **Jerry Brown** issued his last call for honorary member nominations. They were due by the end of Monday's meeting, but if you have one contact **Jerry**. It might still get in the mix.
- ◇ **Dan Dever** announced that the Thrift Sale had achieved **\$1,014,985** in gross sales as of this past weekend. While the credit goes to our hundreds of volunteers, members, and staff (thousands of people if you include our donors and shoppers), **Dan** singled out Sales Manager **Mario Gasbarro**, Volunteer Coordinator **Sonia Peterson**, and all-around indispensable **Bob Gray** for special recognition and a standing ovation from members.

See pictures on page 4 and more announcements on page 5



Dan Dever

FINES...

Peter Schork proposed a fine on all members who didn't have a wife celebrating a birthday today. After some ominous murmurings from the crowd, "wife" was quickly corrected to "spouse". Passed unanimously. **Nick Dever** in addressing Past President **Jerry Brown** noted that some thought we should have had a cake today to celebrate \$1 million in sales but those folks apparently missed the cake we had on Saturday. Therefore, anyone celebrating anything today (like a spouse's birthday) should pay a fine. Again, passed without opposition.

HAPPY DOLLARS...

- ☺ **Max Ziegler** was happy to recognize **Marianne D'Angelo**, **Nick Dever**, and **Mary Stewart** for their outstanding work on this year's club picnic.
- ☺ **Larry French** presented two maps of Michigan (see pages 6 and 7) that identify by county the inpatients and outpatients served by the four hospitals included in the Kiwanis of Michigan project(s) and C.S. Mott Children's Hospital by itself. In total 215,485 children under the age of 19 were assisted by the hospitals in 2018. Every county and zip code were covered.
- ☺ **Mitch Goodkin** had a happy dollar in thanks for the club's sympathy card. He and his wife recently experienced the passing of his wife's sister, and the passing of a dear friend.
- ☺ **Dale Leslie** was happy to report that his oldest son is in Honolulu where he was invited to play in the Honolulu Symphony Orchestra.
- ☺ **Bob Johnson**, back from recent heart surgery, said he's happy to have at least another ten good years ahead as he's now as good as new!
- ☺ **Dan Burroughs** was happy to see the return of **Bob Johnson**, but worries that **Bob** may now hit the golf ball even farther than before. **Dan** also threw in \$5 to encourage members to give Meals On Wheels a try. **Dan** says, contact **Chris Winkler** if you'd like to try a test run.
- ☺ **President William** contributed a Harriet Tubman twenty dollar bill—or maybe it was a twenty dollar bill in honor of Harriet Tubman. At any rate, a happy \$20 to further the good work of Kiwanis.



Dan Burroughs

TODAY'S PROGRAM CONTINUED...

- There are nine school districts in the county and all, except Ann Arbor, are losing enrollment. Test scores are pretty good. Opportunities for extra-curricular and enrichment activities vary widely across districts from ample to nearly non-existent.



President William Hampton

- The county ranks eleventh best out of 83 counties in road quality. Some broad challenges the county is facing: 5% of county residents don't have access to high-speed internet and 10% can't afford it. Real wages have gone down 1.5% per year over the last decade for blue-collar and service workers. Local government funding is broken—constitutional limits on taxation have had unintended consequences for local governments.

In the Q&A after her talk, **Dennis Powers** asked if UM's Wolverine Pathways wasn't helping in extra-curricular opportunities—yes, but still a problem. **Dan Dever** noted that part of Whitmore Lake District's problem is a high proportion of mobile homes which send children to the schools but not tax revenue because they are taxed as personal property. **Dale Leslie**, community booster and historian, asked if Dixboro could be included on future maps—doubtful. **Martha Petroski**

asked if anything could be done to level the playing field between public and charter schools regarding the services they are required to provide—Michelle acknowledged the disparity, but said it could only be addressed at the state level.

President William commented that he had been trying to arrange Michelle's talk for about two years and was very pleased it could be done before the end of his term as president. He then presented Michelle with the traditional thank-you "Rotary" mug, reminding her we spell Rotary, K-I-W-A-N-I-S.

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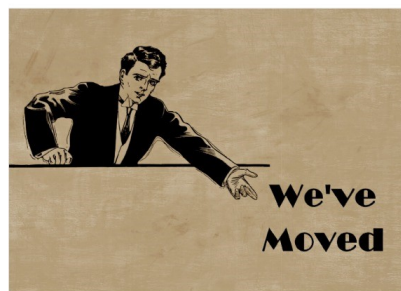


Staff, volunteers and members have fun posing with the \$1,000,000 celebration cake.

A HUGE Thank You to all those who made this possible.

Don't worry, the cake was eventually cut and enjoyed by all.

INTERCLUB REPORT...



Please be advised of the Ann Arbor Western Kiwanis New Meeting Place
 The Sports Bar Westside
 5510 Jackson Rd.
 Ann Arbor, MI. 48103
 734-668-7800
 Corner of Zeeb and Jackson Rds
 Meetings are held on Tuesdays at noon.

Kiwanis Club of Saline's **2019 Win Big for Kids Reverse Raffle Halloween and Costume Party** is Saturday, October 12 at the Saline American Legion Hall. The grand prize is \$2,500 with plenty of chances to win other cash prizes along with a silent auction. The doors open at 5:00pm with dinner at 6:00pm. The cost is \$50 per person for dinner and a chance to win the grand prize of \$2,500. Talk to a member or visit kiwanisclubofsaline.com to purchase tickets



Upcoming Concerts

Larry Dittmar presented the line-up of October concerts of interest:

- 10/1, 8pm—Early Music Ensemble, St. Francis Church
- 10/2, 8pm—Concert Band, Hill Auditorium
- 10/3, 8pm—Jazz Showcase, Hankinson Recital Hall
- 10/4, 8pm—Greene & Solomia Recital, Britton Recital Hall; Symphony Band Concert, Hankinson Recital Hall
- 10/5, 8pm—String Quartet Recital, Britton Recital Hall
- 10/6, 2pm—Katz & Blumberg Recital, Britton Recital Hall
- 10/7, 8pm—Chinese Orchestra Concert, Stamps Auditorium
- 10/10, 12:15pm—Organ Concert (FREE), 1st Baptist Church, 517 E. Washington, AA
- 10/10, 17, 7:30pm; 10/11, 12, 18, 19, 8pm; 10/13, 20, 2pm—Pirates of Penzance \$\$\$, Lydia Mendelssohn Theater
- 10/10, 8pm—Symphony Orchestra Concert, Hill Auditorium
- 10/17, 7pm—Chamber Choir Concert, UM Museum of Art
- 10/17, 8pm—Philharmonic Orchestra Concert, Hill Auditorium
- 10/18, 8pm—Dance Chamber Dance, Arthur Miller Theater
- 10/20, 8pm—Octubafest Concert, Stamps Auditorium
- 10/23, 7pm—String Showcase, Stamps Auditorium
- 10/23, 8pm—Symphony Band Concert, Hill Auditorium
- 10/26, 8pm—Horn Studio Recital, Britton Recital Hall
- 10/27, 4:30pm—Halloween Concert \$\$\$, Hill Auditorium
- 10/29, 8pm—University Choir Concert, Hill Auditorium
- 10/30, 8pm—Percussion Ensemble, Stamps Auditorium

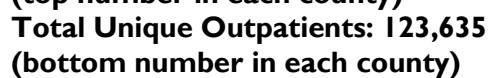


Happy Birthday to you...

President Hampton began the meeting by advising us of the many auspicious birthdays occurring on September 23rd, including member **Griff Dick**—and of utmost importance, Esther Hampton. The birthday song was sung, but we had to imagine the cake.

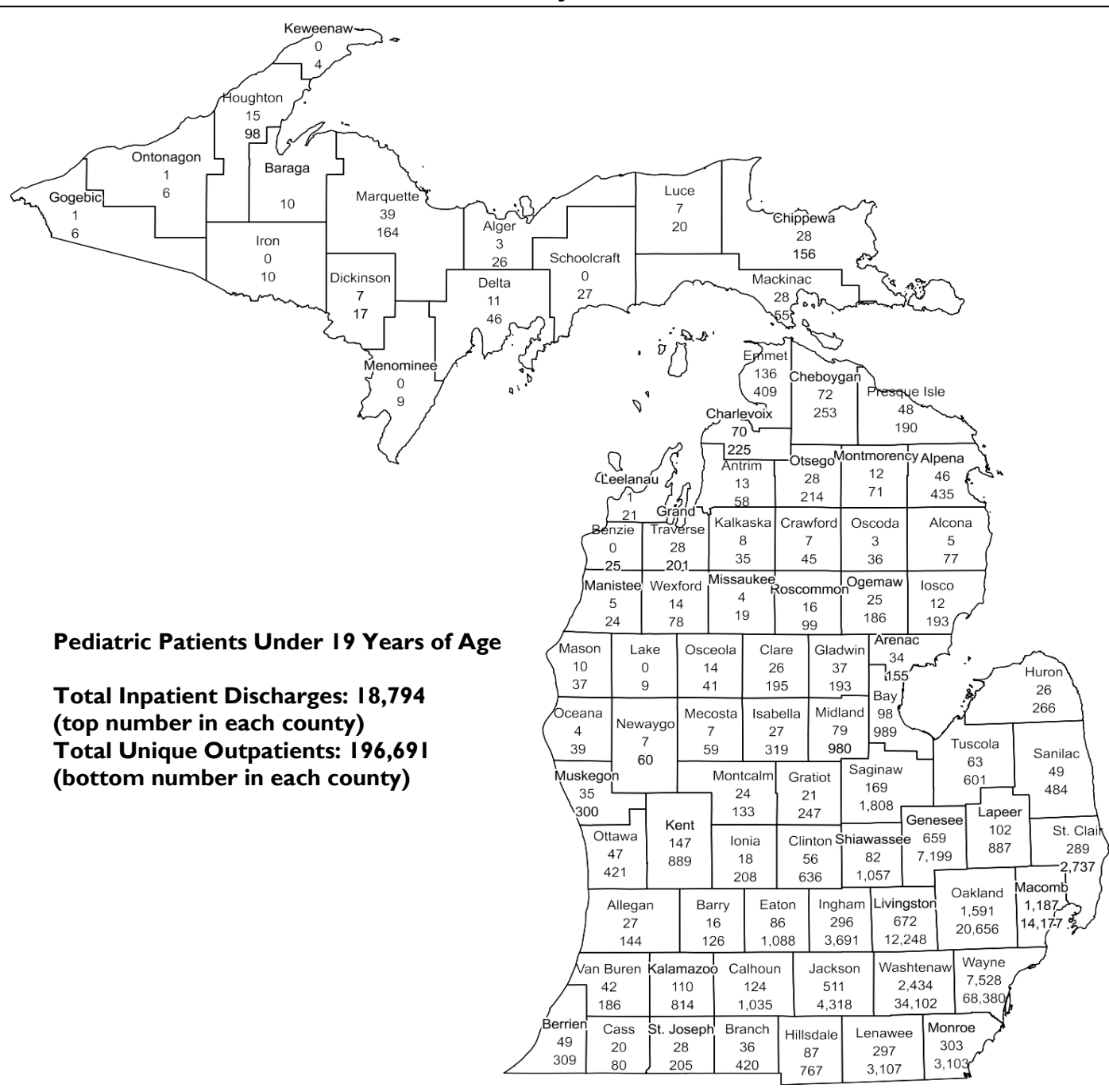
Happy Birthday to our members celebrating through the end of the month, including, **Cliff Sheldon** (24th), **Dave Drake** (25th), and **Dale Leslie** (26th).

***Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation
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Outpatient Unique Patients Exclude ED

***Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation
C.S. Mott Children's Hospital
Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital
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Children's Hospital of Michigan*
Calendar year 2018***



Source: EPSI, MiChart & Listed Facilities

Inpatient Activity Excludes Normal Newborns

Outpatient Unique Patients Exclude ED

*Per Theresa Quattrociocchi-Longe: Previous years' data from the Children's Hospital of Michigan reflected numbers of patient visits, and thus some children were counted more than once. 2018 volumes are for unique IP discharges and unique OP patients only.

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Labor Day Meeting on Tuesday this week	3 <u>Jim Brandstatter</u>	4 Kiwanis Young Professionals 7pm	5	6 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	7 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
8	9 <u>United Way of Washtenaw County</u>	10 Blood Drive at the KC 1pm — 7pm	11	12	13 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	14 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
15 Kiwanis Picnic	16 <u>Foundations Preschool</u>	17 Board Meeting 6:30pm	18	19	20 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	21 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
22	23 <u>Washtenaw County Update</u>	24	25	26	27 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	28 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
29	30 <u>AA YMCA / Glaciers Hills Grandparents Project</u>					

October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Kiwanis Young Professionals 7pm	3	4 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	5 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
6	7 <u>Treeline Conservancy</u>	8	9	10	11 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	12 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
13	14 <u>Gelman Plume Update</u>	15 Board Meeting	16	17	18 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	19 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
20	21 <u>Scholarship Program</u>	22	23	24	25 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1	26 Sale & Donations: TKC 9-1
27	28 <u>Haiti Nursing Foundation</u>	29	30	31 Happy Halloween 		



This Week's Numbers

Attendance

59

Fines

\$20.45

Happy \$

\$59

Mott Pot

\$0 Today
\$2,139 YTD

Vouchers

\$2,831
10 Families*
\$92,370 YTD
425 Families YTD

*plus Jewish Family Services

Thrift Sale

Friday

\$11,368

Saturday

\$10,283

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\$194

TOTAL

\$21,845

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Meets 7pm Thursdays at UM Union or League (Check Calendar on Website)
- [Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti](#)
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The Kiwanis Center

**MEMORY GEM (circa year 2075)**

It was on Friday, September 20, 2019 when the Kiwanis Thrift Sale passed the \$1,000,000 mark in gross sales in a fiscal year for the first time.



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Extra points for those who can name the Kiwanis legend pictured at left.

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