

# Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor Meeting Date: June 25, 2012

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## Today's Program Summary:

Today's program featured Dave Bell who was president of our club in 1996-1997 when the international service project to eradicate iodine deficiency disease (IDD) was initiated. Dave was introduced by Peter Schork. Peter reviewed Dave's exceptionally rich career, which includes degrees in accounting, law, and divinity. He has worked in all three fields and has also been a real estate developer and stockbroker. Dave founded and leads the Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth.

IDD causes a multitude of abnormalities including goiters and mental retardation. Each \$1 in funding can prevent the disease in 15-20 individuals. Dave was at the convention in Salt Lake City 15 years ago, as club president, and became committed to the IDD project. His initial "outrageous" goal was for our club to raise \$50,000. In fact, the club raised about \$105,000 over the 8 years of the project. The worldwide Kiwanis contribution was \$88 million, which was augmented by \$9 million from the Gates foundation, to complete the project.

Note that our club's goal for the neonatal tetanus project is \$100,000. Dave emphasized that commitment and confidence are the most important factors in achieving notable goals. He quoted Henry Ford. "Believe you can or believe you cannot. You will be right either way". Goethe wrote that until one is committed, there is hesitancy. The moment of definite commitment causes providence to come to action and all sorts of assistance will materialize. Thoreau noted that if one advances confidently in the direction of dreams, he/she will pass an invisible boundary beyond which unimaginable aids will come to be.

The neonatal tetanus drive has raised about \$42,000, including pledges, to date, with a goal of \$100,000 total by 2015.

## Next Week's Program Summary:

The speaker is Ronan Dalcross from the American Red Cross. He will speak on the topic of their Ready Rating Tool.

## Assignments

Officer of the Day:	Dale Leslie
Announcer:	Dale Leslie
Sorters:	Allen Burg and Kenneth Hillenburg
Dockers:	Jim Bloomquist, Nick Dever, Jim McIntyre
Hardware:	Jerry Brown, Dave Hughes, Dan Dever
Furniture:	Mel Williams, Elena Ermak, Cliff Sheldon
Sporting Goods	Peter Schork and Al Gallup
Electronics:	Bill Robb and Associates
Office and Medical	Jim Mattson and Team
Lamps:	Chris Winkler, Rob Schultz and friends
Beds, Garden, Toys	Lee Bachman, Ty Knoy, Mike Anglin
Antiques:	Jane Talcott and Carl Williams
Invocation:	Bryce Babcock
Greeters:	Jim Couch, Murray Franklin, George Gilligan, Ron Williams
Hospitality:	Jerry Brown
Cashier:	Martha Petroski or substitute
Vouchers:	Vouchers are finished until October.

## Guests:

**Jane Talcott** introduced today's guests. **Bob Hoepner, Jeannette East, and Arno Buhrer** from Western. **Linda Lawther** from the Ypsilanti club attended. She is a past Lt. Governor of our district.

## Announcements:

**President Fred** reported that **Alan Knight** is leaving our club, both as an employee and as the piano lead for America. Allen was given a standing ovation. He will be missed.

He also asked for more volunteers for the sale, especially on Monday and/or Thursday mornings. Please ask your spouse or friend if there is a chance of willingness. The warehouse sale on Saturday 7/1 could use 1 or 2 more workers from 9 am to noon.

**Cindy Hammerschmidt** discussed the Fourth of July parade next Wednesday. The theme is "We the People" and she asked for volunteers to accompany the truck dressed in garb indicative of a profession such as medical, farmer, military, fireman, scientist, etc. Children in work-related Halloween costumes are welcome.

**Dave Drake** was grateful for the 8 members who attended the recent super interclub in Saline.

**Max Ziegler** encouraged members to play in the Meals on Wheels golf outing on July 16. **Bob Johnson** is looking for 3 partners.

### **Happy Dollars and Fines (detail):**

**FINES: Al Gallup** called on past president Kathy Barden-Perlberg to recognize past president Bob Barden Sr. for about 50 years of outstanding membership and his birthday today. His proposed fine on everyone who does not have a birthday today passed. Coincidentally, today is also Al's birthday.

**Nick Dever** proposed a fine on Al for being a poor second to Mr. Barden in that he has not been club president. This also passed.

### **HAPPY DOLLARS:**

**Ron Gardner** was happy about the Big House/Big Heart Run/walk which raise about \$4023 for the neonatal tetanus project.

**Jerry McMahon** was happy for his long-term membership in the club and for the new Argo Park he recently visited.

**Jane Talcott** thanked the club for its support of Washtenaw camp Placement. They have provided for over 9000 kids camping, including 115 kids this year. She donated \$24 and mentioned that there are still 2 more weeks before the Cross Foundation matching gift program for camperships ends for this year.

**Jim Kane** was happy for his successful rotator cuff surgery and for the support of several Kiwanis members.

**Al Gallup** was proud of his daughter, a musician. She is in Ann Arbor to play at the Ark tonight.

**Ron Williams** paid for the privilege of wearing his Ohio Stat shirt at the meeting. He was also happy to be going fishing with Max Ziegler and others. He also asked if anyone knew the schedule for the U of M solar car's trip through Ann Arbor.

**John Goff** was happy for the enjoyable fly fishing he did, on the Huron River behind the (St. Joe?) hospital. He also promoted the golf outing/fundraiser for the Summer Camp Scholarship group. It is July 21 at Stonebridge.

**Dale Leslie** suggested that his old friend, Don Kern, visit his old department (men's clothing) and find something outrageous to parade in. Perhaps in an old trench coat and something underneath to flash.

**Max Ziegler** was happy to see Lee Bachman back at our meeting.

**Nick Dever** happily encouraged Al Gallup to "step up and run for president".

**President Fred Sanchez** spent time with his son and fiancée who came to AA to plan their wedding. They enjoyed the "best food ever" at a restaurant in the Bell Tower a great father's day cookout (lobster and steak).

**Jocelyn Wilder (ne Ball)** was happy that her wedding was in the past.

**Harry Cross** enjoyed a visit from his sister and her daughter. He also told related a story in the life of Katie Stadel (see hospitality).

### **Hospitality News:**

**Melissa Tyler** reported that the surgery on George and Mary Gilligan's daughter went very well. It was a complex cancer operation and witnessed by 25 surgeons from around the world.

Doug Hanton's sister passed away recently. She was his favorite sibling but had been declining for a couple of years. The funeral was this morning.

Katie Stadel also passed away recently. She was a long time volunteer here. Her obituary can be seen at <http://obits.mlive.com/obituaries/ann-arbor/obituary.aspx?n=katherine-stadel&pid=158119819>

### **You Should Know:**

**Last Week Sale:** Thrift; \$6,367

**Today's Fines:** \$25.09

**Today's Happy Dollars:** \$55

**Today's Attendance:** 90