



Hillsdale Kiwanis Club

MEETINGS: Tuesday 12:05 p.m.

First United Methodist Church, 45 N. Manning, Hillsdale, MI 49242

Local: www.hillsdalekiwanis.org / Facebook: Hillsdale Kiwanis

District: www.mikiwanis.org / International Office (Indianapolis, IN): www.kiwanis.org

OCT/NOV 2017

NEWSLETTER

INTERNATIONAL: Serving the Children of the World
OUR EMPHASIS: Young Children Priority One



Jackie Wickham, President

Notes from the President

Autumn Greetings,

We are in the midst of the autumn season with the colorful falling leaves, cool weather, holidays, and a change in Kiwanis Leadership. As your newly installed president I wanted to share my goals and visions with you for the 2017-2018 year.

Increasing membership and retaining members is a goal from our Kiwanis International organization down to the local clubs. I challenge each one of us to help make Hillsdale Kiwanis the number one organization to be a member of, in Hillsdale County. We have the opportunity to capture talents and skills from our membership and prospective members.

Teamwork -Together we can make a difference.

Supporting committees with a chair and co-chair to provide project information and encourage participation strengthens our teamwork. We need to encourage our members to be actively involved in projects, for kids.

Provide membership with information pertaining to Kiwanis projects and activities using multi-media sources. A communications chair and committee have been established to align all of our communications with members and the public. Not only do we want to communicate via written communication but to increase our use of technology, becoming a tech savvy club. To bridge the communication for all of our members, we are trying out an automated system to keep all members aware of projects and programs with the option of a voice message or text. We are also updating our Kiwanis email, Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to accommodate all of our members.

Notoriety – The Hillsdale Kiwanis club needs to proclaim our presence. Our club is an active club participating in many projects and activities throughout the community. Our brand and logo needs to be shared with pride at events and activities.

Increase percent of Kiwanis members participating in fundraisers for increased revenue to support our kid projects. We have numerous fundraising projects throughout the year, such as the cheese sale, mixed nuts sale, flag subscriptions, fair parking, and concessions to name a few.

Recognizing the youth in our community, doing Random Acts of Kindness is also a goal. We recognize a senior from each school district each month. We also have many youth, who are doing good things for individuals, groups and animals in this county. We can recognize and thank them for their community service efforts, as small intentional acts of kindness can change the world.

These are not news goals that I have shared to work on this year. I have just added my twist and enthusiasm, remembering that **Kids Need Kiwanis.**

I look forward to an adventurous year as your president. Jackie Wickham

<p><u>Kiwanis Club Officers</u> President <i>Jackie Wickham</i> President-Elect <i>Bob Flynn</i> Vice President <i>Beth Caswell</i> Treasurer <i>Bill VanArsdalen</i> Secretary <i>Joan VanArsdalen</i> Past President <i>Lisa Roberts</i></p>	<p><u>Board Directors</u> 2016-2018 <i>Kim Watson</i> <i>Bud Heinowski</i> <i>Tom Osbourne</i> 2017-2019 <i>Deb McCluer</i> <i>Steve Sczytko</i> <i>Scott Scholl</i></p>	<p><u>Board Meetings</u> 4th Monday of each month 7:00 p.m. at Bigby Coffee</p> <p><u>Newsletter</u> <i>Sue Caulkins</i></p>
	<p><u>Lt. Governor District 11</u> <i>Bonnie Bartlett, Brooklyn</i></p>	



Birthdays for Oct/Nov

Oct 3rd – Gerald Dihle
Oct 25th – Bill VanArsdalen

Nov 3rd – Kevin Walton
Nov 14th – Don Scoville
Nov 22nd – Bud Heinowski
Nov 30th – Steve Sczytko



Anniversaries for Oct/Nov

Oct 7th – Val & John White
Oct 13th – Bud & Marty Heinowski

Nov 13th – Maribeth & Dan Watkins
Nov 23rd – Ted & Penny Jansen
Nov 27th – Pete & Ronda Bildner

Keeping You in the Know

Meetings & Programs

Oct 9th – **EVENT:** Grocery Bagging & Hot Dog Sales at Market House

Oct 10th – **PROGRAM:** Installation of Officers

Oct 19th – **EVENT:** Terrific Kids program at Gier School, 10 am

Oct 24th – **PROGRAM:** Student of the Month, North Adams & Wes Johnson

Oct 25th – **EVENT:** Reading starts at Bailey School, 9:30 am, 3 classes each time

Oct 26th – **EVENT:** Oktoberfest at fairgrounds, 2-4 pm, we give out pumpkins

Oct 26th – **MEETING:** Board Meeting, 7 pm at Bigby Coffee

Oct 31st – **PROGRAM:** Free Clinic, Jamie Bauerley

Oct 31st – **FUNDRAISING:** Cheese Orders need turned in to Bill VanArsdalen

Oct 31st – **EVENT:** Halloween Party at high school could use some help judging costumes

Nov 4th – **INFO:** KLA Foundation deadline for ordering holiday postings in the Michigan Builder through donations to the foundation

Nov 9th – **EVENT:** Veterans honor Joan VanArsdalen at Phillips Auditorium, 7 pm

Nov 9th-14th – **EVENT:** Put flags out these days for Veterans Day (coordinate timing)

Dec 1st – **EVENT:** Bell Ringing

Dec 16th – **EVENT:** Bell Ringing

Future 5/12/18 – **EVENT:** Hillsdale hosts the Divisional Leadership Meeting



MONDAYS

Oct 2nd – Chuck Bianchi
Oct 9th – Steve Sczytko
Oct 16th – Chuck Bianchi
Oct 23rd – Lee Cook
Oct 30th -- Beth Caswell

Nov 6th – Jackie Wickham
Nov 13th – Steve Sczytko
Nov 20th – Lee Cook
Nov 27th – Dave Watkins

Dec 4th – Steve Sczytko
Dec 11th – Beth Caswell
Dec 18th – Chuck Bianchi
Dec 25th – Closed Xmas Day

FRIDAYS

Oct 6th – Jackie Wickham
Oct 13th – Dave Watkins
Oct 20th – Jon Ourensma
Oct 27th – Don Scoville

Nov 3rd – Jon Ourensma
Nov 10th – Jackie Wickham
Nov 17th – Jon Ourensma
Nov 24th – Closed after Thanksgiving

Dec 1st – Jon Ourensma
Dec 8th – Tom Osbourne
Dec 15th – Jon Ourensma
Dec 22nd – Scott Scholl
Dec 29th – Don Scoville

Aktion Club News:

By Aktion Club Advisor
Beth Caswell

The Aktion Club Convention was held at Michindoh Ministries in Hillsdale and hosted by the Hillsdale Kiwanis Aktion Club. The first responsibility of our club was to man the registration table. Aktion Club members from five states were present: Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Illinois. All received their backpacks and badges for the convention as they arrived. The clubs checked into their cabins with boys on one floor and girls on the other.

Members from our Club, Key Club and Circle K Club helped with activities of the convention. Friday we had dinner at the cafeteria and the evening session was highlighted by the keynote speaker, Anthony Ianni. Mr. Ianni is one of the most sought-after anti-bullying motivational speakers in the Midwest. Mr. Ianni was diagnosed with Autism at a young age and went on to graduate from college and played basketball at Michigan State University. He described the struggles he had along the way and the Aktion Club members were very inspired by his speech. State Representative Eric Leutheuser and Mayor Scott Sessions spoke to the group too.

During the day on Saturday there were several leadership sessions where they drew pictures of why they like Aktion Club and what was their favorite activity in Aktion Club. In the afternoon the service project was completed. Shoe boxes were covered with Christmas paper and stickers for the Sumaritan's Purse Christmas Boxes and with colorful paper and stickers for the Police Department's Sunshine boxes. The boxes were filled with candy and gifts.

Some of the other activities were a bonfire and s'mores, stargazing, face painting, a hike around the lake, and morning yoga. But, the most favorite activity was the Country-and-Western dance on Saturday night. Our member, Joan VanArsdalen, gave line dance lessons and fun was had by all. At the closing ceremonies the Aktion Club members received medals which made them very proud.



9-27-17

Dear Joan,
 Thank you so very much for working on the Host Committee for the TLC. Your club and the Hillsdale Bay Clubbers made it a very special event. I loved your flower decorations and you teaching of the line dance Saturday evening. It was especially nice having Anthony, the mayor & the State Rep all at the event. You really made the TLC special! Thanks again, Sue

DAN + Hillsdale Kiwanis,
 Thank you for your continued support. Your help is greatly appreciated and reflects in our community.
 VSO will be using the Sunshine Boxes!
 Sheriff Tom Parker
 HILLSDALE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Newsworthy items from the Club:



Perfect Attendance Awards



Rob Miller presented with the Walter Zeller Fellowship Award



Key Club Installation.

The one of 5 shows Anna Schafer, Lt. Governor Division 9, with four of the five officers. Hope Huff Treasurer, Ethan Richards, Editor, Hannah Jones Secretary, Madison Jones VPRES, Emily Pachoud President (The one with Gary Surratt Advisor) has Key Club members.



Past Presidents Lisa Roberts/Kiwanis and Jaden Lee/Key Club
Current Presidents Emily Pachoud/Key Club and Jackie Wickham/Kiwanis.



October Fest sponsored by the ISD, October 26th

Kiwanis members sponsored and were in charge of the hayride.

Jordan Benzing, Ted Jensen, Doug French, Taylor Lee, Vickie Lee, and Jackie Wickham