

Ripples from the Creek

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Dear Kiwanians:

Monthly Reflection: "Our way is not soft grass, it's a mountain path with lots of rocks. But it goes upward, forward, toward the sun." Ruth Westheimer

Kiwanis Quiz: We have a member who is a State of Michigan licensed nurse, who is this person? **Answer to last month's quiz:** The two other club member to receive the Hixson Fellowship Award were Lee Dye and David Ketzler.

October 6th Meeting

- Guests:** Boots Abram and Gentry Farmer.
- Board Meeting:** it was last Tuesday in the A.M.
- Key Club:** There was a short meeting this week because of Homecoming per Frank.
- Croquet:** Adam Zettel said it made a \$1,000.00 for the club this year. Richard Mattison said it is done for the year.
- Christmas Party:** It is December 10th, but it will be "Pictures with Santa". She stated that a committee to "brain storm" and plan for it. The church is reserved from 1 to 5 P.M. and the time for the pictures is from 2 to 4 P.M. Santa is lined-up!
- Installation Re-Cap:** President Adam asked for thanks to Mike Stanton. He then thanked Richard Mattison for getting the Madigrals and to Steve Mardlin for all his help, to Jim Bleau for the use of A.V. equipment and to Rosemary Robinson for the power point show and re-cap of last year.

PROGRAM: President *Adams Zettel* present a report on the Board meeting, last Tuesday.-The installation and the year was Reviewed.-Worked on the budget was done and a recap of spending last year The projects were reviewed.-A large project was discussed-Elms Road Park. The dead ash trees need to be cut and trees trimmed. The playscape was also discuss and also involving other groups. Adam would like this to be a big project.

-One fund request: for Human Trafficking: \$175.00 was requested and approved. The Club is looking to expand the Web site and media coverage and Facebook.

-Our President, Adam wishes to get a "membership Committee" started to mentor and help new members. Adam appointed a committee with Ray Thornton as the Chairperson.

October 20th Meeting

- ⇒**Guest:** Roger Meier's daughter Marcy and granddaughter Ashley were present.
- ⇒**Scripts:** Kerry has 3 gas cards for members. Please remember to plan ahead for you need, such as birthdays, anniversary and Christmas. One member I know gives them to his kids that have a long way to travel to visit them. Remember how much this helps our club help others.
- ⇒**Performing Arts Building:** Jim Bleau informed us that the ground breaking until spring 2012.
- ⇒**Bell Ringing:** It will on Saturday, December 3rd for the

Salvation Army per Mike Majeke.

⇒**Inter-Club to Fenton:** Tuesday of next week.

⇒**Key Club:** Frank Vitous is trying to bring Key Club together with the school for collecting for "Tiny Treasurers" for the toys and cosmetics.

⇒**50-50:** Steve Mardlin won for \$16,00!!

PROGRAM: Our speaker this week was *Mary Ann McCarthy*, Secretary of the "Friends of the Library" Or the Perkins Library. She passed out a survey and ask us to fill it out and return it to her. She discuss the "books sales" and the donation of books. The Saturday books sales are doing fine.



It is a lot of work to haul the many, many case of book into the City Hall and out after the sale each time.

Recently they were given a library, the size being 25 X 35 feet, with 20,000 books. These books were collected by the wife of Fred Mansour. These were donated after she passed away. These will be in the Saturday, November 5th sale at Swartz Creek City Hall.

Mary Ann is looking for new ideas and how expand in what areas. The various library are trading books, as some sell better in other location. The City of Swartz Creek provides the Library the space. Some of the other units of government are not supporting it as they use to. The excess books go to families that can't afford them and to the county jail. Thank you so much Mary Ann for talking to us and for your very energetic work for the "Friends of the Library"!!!

October 27th Meeting

- Guests:** Christie Thomas Pescke from the Scout office.
- Key Club:** Frank Vitous said the group is doing a clean-up at the High School in front of the school.
- Thanksgiving Intra-Club Luncheon:** This yearly luncheon. This traditional luncheon and gathering all the areas service club always has a fine speaker and the spouses are invited as always. This year it is Mike Brown, former interim Mayor of Flint, and former State representative. The tickets are \$12.00 each. Please see or call Steve for tickets.
- Dues:** Some members have not paid yet. The yearly dues are \$120.00. Please pay Steve Mardlin.
- Board Meeting:** It the first Tuesday of each month, or this next Tuesday at 7:30 A.M. at the Senior Citizen Center with Coffee.
- Santa Pictures:** Saturday, December 10th. at the S.C. United Methodists Church. The picture will be taken from 2 to 4 P.M. Sandy Raffaelli is the Chairperson.
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing:** The date is picked an it is at Kroger's in Swartz Creek.
- Report on Membership Committee:** Mike Shumaker was asked for a report, with Ray the chair not present. Mike said two other club's material was review, which the group felt was extremely to much. Ray is going to simplify it. It was

felt be Mike and some others that some indoctrination before a person becomes a member is needed.

➤ **Inter-Club to Davison:** one is planned for noon on Nov. 8th.

⇒ **Inter-Club to Fenton:** Going were Frank Vitous, Roger Meir, Doug Stephens, and Richard Mattison.

They had 50 kids from the Key Club there. That club sponsors two Key Clubs, one at Fenton and one at Lake Fenton High School and one Builder's club.

PROGRAM: *Christie Thomas Pescke*, our District Executive from the Boy Scout Office was our speaker today. She was just married two weeks ago! She reminded and thanked us for sponsoring two packs. The Scouts are voting to go from 11 to 5 or 6 districts for consolidation. She explained staff changes if this takes place. The District will cover Michigan and northern Ohio. The number of boys is down from last year, but the same as two years ago. It is always great to have Christie here, and thank you!!

Ring of the Bells

"Michigan Builder" from the October/November publication page nine it reflects The "Bell Ringing Award" for all the 22 divisions. It shows Swartz Creek the winner for our division for 40 members or less and Lapeer for 40 members or more. This is for the most people hours and money collected for the "Ring of the Bells" for the Salvation Army!!

DATES TO REMEMBER PROGRAM

NOVEMBER

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| 1 BOARD MTG | 2 ED WRACAN |
| 8 DAVISON IC 12N | 10 KERRY ZUBKE |
| | 17 NATALIE DENNINGS |
| | 23 ROUND TABLE |

DECEMBER

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| 3 BELL RINGING | 1 NONE |
| 6 BOARD MTG | 8 KICKERBOCKER |
| 9-10 ART FAIR | |
| 10 SANTA PICS | 15 PHILIP BRACEY |
| | 22 TERI MITCHELL |
| | 29 RICHARD MATTSON |

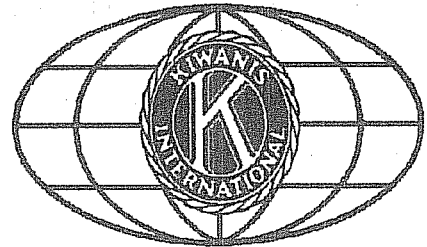
BIRTHDATES

- 6 JOLEEN HUYCK
 6 RAFFAELLI
 13 MATTSON
 15 STANTON
 26 ZETTEL

ANIVERSARIES

NONE

MIKE



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