International President Elect Sue Petrisin spends most of her time traveling the world spreading the Kiwanis message and trying to make an impact. On March 3, 2015, she was in Washington D.C. to testify before the House Appropriations Committee and subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, U.S. House of Representatives, March 3, 2015.

The purpose of the visit was to testify in support of The ELIMINATE, USAID and UNICEF. The goal was to:

Support those two entities (UNICEF and USAID) who already get government funds and to add Kiwanis to the list as well.

Kiwanis International was one of only 25 people invited to testify. This opportunity only comes once every other year. U.S. Congresswoman Kay Granger from Texas serves as the chairwoman of the subcommittee.

The Kiwanis group also was able to visit the White House at a Community Leaders Briefing where Petrisin met with Senator Debbie Stabenow’s Legislative Aid Ani Toumajan, who works on Judiciary and Foreign Affairs Issues, and Congressman Mike Bishop, who represents Michigan’s 8th District. UM Circle K members Nicole Potchen, and Ashley Austin had the unique opportunity to join Petrisin for all the meetings.

A Congressional Reception for everyone in Washington DC was held and Petrisin and her team of Kiwanians were invited to attend and were joined by many Congressmen and their staff.

Petrisin has been asked to return to Washington, D.C., to talk more with US AID about the program.

It wasn’t all work and no fun though – Petrisin was invited and attended a dinner sponsored by UNICEF, JP Morgan Chase, Project Runway, and the Home Shopping Network for an event called Influential Women’s Dinner.

59 women who have “broken through the glass ceiling” were invited. Each person was interviewed and asked to share one thing about themselves. Petrisin noted that some people didn’t even know about Kiwanis. One of their goals moving forward is to provide opportunities for young female mentorships.

Kiwanis International recently finalized a partnership with JCI, also known as Junior Chamber, Jaycees - with the idea being that as their members leave at age 40 JCI will send them a letter introducing them to Kiwanis.

Another partnership has been formed with Sister Cities International.

One of Petrisin’s focus is sharing the Kiwanis message with organizations and associations that may not know much about Kiwanis.

The Kiwanis International European Federation Convention is next on Petrisin’s travel planner. The convention will be held in Luxembourg. On the schedule is a meeting with the Duke of Luxembourg.

Petrisin says, “Our goals this next year will be to complete The Eliminate Project and to focus on The Formula. We need to get back to the basics of Kiwanis. We don’t need anything else to distract us.”
Kiwanis Michigan

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June/July 2015 Issue
Hey Hey...Michigan Kiwanians!!!

Our traveling show just finished up an 8 week adventure that is called “The Spring Divisional”. During this time we were able to enjoy all of the Fun, Fellowship and Service that is Kiwanis! We were able to experience all of the amazing accomplishments of Kiwanians throughout the District, as well as, hear about new initiatives, examine new projects and talk about our ongoing service.

If you were able to attend your respective Spring Divisional you know that each division was asked to participate in a Miracle MNT Minute. For one minute our Lieutenant Governors ran around and collected spare change to donate toward the Eliminate Project. It is amazing how many lives you can save in just a single minute.

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WOW! This is enough money to save 1,547 mothers and their future children. Thank you Michigan Kiwanians for donating your loose change and one minute of your time to make this possible. An additional thank you to our Northern Divisions for setting the bar high and leading by example! This total is astounding and overwhelming and I hope that each of you continue your personal commitment to Project Eliminate.

Now that this Kiwanis year is half over (which is hard to believe), summertime is upon us and it is easy for our continued service fade into the background. Personal vacations, travel and family time are increased which is a wonderful thing but all too often we fall out of our service routine.

While traveling, try to visit the nearest Kiwanis Club. I do this while I travel throughout the state and the country. You can find the nearest Kiwanis Club by using the find-a-club tool at Kiwanis.org. It is always fun to visit Kiwanis Clubs in other areas and meet people that you have an instant Kiwanis connection with. Share ideas and bring those ideas and observations back to your home club.

This is also a great time of year to engage the entire family in your Kiwanis service. Invite your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, spouses and even neighbors to join in your Kiwanis life. The most important thing to remember is that we have the opportunity each and every day to touch the lives of others and by doing so we can continue to engage others in new service.

I want to hear from you. If you engage your family in your Kiwanis life please send me an email at governor@mikiwanis.org with the subject line ‘Summertime Kiwanis’ and explain how you involve your family in service. We will be collecting these answers and sharing them at this year’s District Convention. This is an opportunity to brag about your families’ Kiwanis involvement.

Have a safe, happy and service filled summer!

I look forward to seeing many of you in Indianapolis for the International Convention and then again in Detroit for our District Convention.

Always yours in Kiwanis Service,

Rebekah Hildreth | Michigan District Governor | governor@mikiwanis.org
Governor Elect

Linda Lawther
2014-2015 Governor-Elect Michigan District
governor-elect@mikiwanis.org

Who wants change?

Who wants to change?

New Club

Kiwanis Club of Shelby Golden K

Born: April 29, 2015
Division: 13
Members: 21
President: Ray Pini
Secretary: Micahel Thornton
Meeting: 1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY
Place: Benny’s Restaurant
56129 VanDyke Ave, Shelby Twp, MI
Parents: Sponsored by Utica/Shelby Township
Club Opener: Michael Tow
Club Counselor: Curtis Willner

Support the MICHIGAN DISTRICT OF KIWANIS with your Ad or Message to appear in the Program Book to be distributed to all attendees at the 98th Annual Convention, to be held at the Marriott Renaissance Center in Detroit, MI August 27-30, 2015

Your camera ready copy (black & white) should be submitted with the form and payment or sent electronically to: executivedirector@mikiwanis.org
Questions? Call Greg Smith at 586-530-5174 or 517-676-3837

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Send Payment to: Michigan Dist. Kiwanis
P.O. Box 231, Mason, MI 48854

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Deadline for Ad copy is July 24, 2015 *See Approximate Sizes on Back
Kiwanis Michigan

Executive Director

How to Really Let People Know About Kiwanis

Our club is doing all these great service projects, raising money for good causes, helping children in the community and has been around for many years. Yet why doesn’t everyone know about Kiwanis and what we do? Why don’t we get more people joining? We get articles written about us in the paper. We’ve been interviewed for local cable TV. We even once or twice made the broadcast news and been on the radio. Notices about our meeting time and location appear weekly in the service section of the paper. We’re even getting a Facebook page and have a killer website. Shouldn’t people get excited about all the good things we’re doing and want to at least check us out?

The fact is waiting for things to happen just doesn’t work anymore. Just because your club does good things and has friendly members doesn’t mean people will automatically show up. Think about how you found out about Kiwanis. What did it take for you to attend your first meeting? Did you read about Kiwanis and just decide to go? Or did someone ask you to attend? Did someone ask you to a service project? The personal invitation can make all the difference in the world.

In the next issue of the Builder I am going to talk about networking in general and how to make the most out of it. For now, I want to give your club some ideas about where to go to talk to people about Kiwanis. We can’t stay in our clubs, we must get out in the community.

I’m sure there are other opportunities you can come up with that are particular to your community. It’s all about the personal ask and building the relationship. People join people they like. Make a proactive effort to let everyone know you belong to Kiwanis. Take time to show people what Kiwanis is all about and they will fall in love with it just like all of us did.

Here are some suggestions:

◆ Wear something with a Kiwanis logo or tag line. This may get a conversation started about what is Kiwanis.

◆ If your club belongs to the local Chamber of Commerce, take advantage of every networking opportunity they offer. Someone from the club should be at every event representing Kiwanis. If your club doesn’t belong, consider joining.

◆ There is a business networking group called BNI. There may be other types of groups in your area. At each meeting the member gives a 60 second commercial about his/her business. If the member cannot attend he/she gets a substitute who gives the member’s 60 second commercial and then their own. You can be that substitute and talk about Kiwanis. I’ll bet there is someone you know who is in BNI but you didn’t know it and someone in BNI you know that doesn’t know you are in Kiwanis. There are over 200 BNI chapters throughout Michigan.

◆ The Michigan District is a member of the Michigan Business and Professionals Association (MBPA). This allows us to attend dozens of networking events they offer throughout the year. As one comes up in your area, take advantage of it. You and/or club can also join the MBPA for $115 per year.

◆ Decide on the demographic you want to attract to your club. Then go to places they are and build relationships. It’s not about the single ask and they will join. Building the relationship is all part of the process and will be discussed in the next issue.

Have you Shared the News recently?

The Michigan District offers a great opportunity to showcase the successes of your Club, your members and your community.

Your successes when published reward your members for service and provide ideas to other Kiwanis clubs. The following guidelines will help get your information published:

**Articles:** Provide the basic information that includes your club name, division, what was done, who benefitted, when it was accomplished, and how it was accomplished. Narrative should be attached to an email in Word.

**Pictures:** Send any pictures as attachments (not included in the body of a document) in highest resolution possible. Pictures downloaded from the web are generally not acceptable. Identify persons in pictures, and try and use action pictures rather than poses of acceptances, podium speakers, and groups in rows.

**Video:** Send video clips, 1-3 min., as mpeg files. You can also send us a link to your Youtube video.

**Submit:** Send your email and attachments to: thebuilder@mikiwanis.org Subject Line: Builder

**Deadlines:** for our six issues: Sept. 5, Nov. 5., Jan. 5, Mar. 5, May 5, and July 5.
Why you want to attend Michigan DCON 2015 in Detroit?

August 27-30
Marriott Renaissance

We want to see you there to share all the fun, fellowship, new ideas, education, the Rebirthday of Kiwanis and to help us kick off the second 100 years of Kiwanis in Michigan.

Education Track Workshops

- **CHANGING YOUR CLUB** - Workshops led by Jerry Webb, U. S. Army, Cindy McCann-MBPA, Amy Wiser and Pam Norman-Kiwanis Int’l
- **THE FORMULA** - Workshops led by Lanton Lee-Kiwanis International
- **YOUTH PROTECTION** - Workshops led by Bryan Crenshaw and Michigan Attorney General’s office
- **MARKETING YOUR CLUB** - Workshops led by Sarah Kew, Steven McCarty, Lori Litz, Dave Herndon
- **FOUNDATION** - Both International and Michigan Foundations
- **SERVICE LEADERSHIP** - How to start a SLP with the SLP Administrators and a Panel of Young Kiwanians who are former Circle K members
- **INFO TO KNOW** - Including the Art of Story Telling with Beth Philo, Michigan Roads with Hugh McNichol, Detroit #1 Club, Youth Services, Children’s Miracle Network with Lisa Stewart
- **FEEDBACK SESSIONS FOR CLUB OFFICERS** - Time to meet with the Governor, Governor-Elect and Executive Director to let us know how we are doing
- **AKTION CLUB WORKSHOP** - 4th Wall Theatre Company
- **QUICKEN LOANS DETROIT BUILDING TOUR**
- **KEY NOTE SPEAKER** at opening General Session-International Counselor from West Virginia, Kevin Dean former Key Club and Circle K member
- **KICK-OFF LUNCH SPEAKER-CHARLIE KADADO**, author of the Best Selling Books *Sacrifice* and *Perry Gets his Talent*
- **ONLY ONE DELEGATE SESSION**
- **CLOSING SESSION** Sunday Morning Speaker-International Kiwanis President-Elect Sue Petrisin
- **YOUNG PROFESSIONALS MIXER**
- **SATURDAY EVENING ENTERTAINMENT WITH FRANK SINATRA** and DJ Cesar Gemino
- **100TH BIRTHDAY OF KIWANIS**
- **AUGUST 25TH PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES FISHING DERBY** in St. Clair Shores
- **KIDS AGAINST HUNGER PACKAGING** scheduled for Aug 27-28 at the hotel

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98th Annual Kiwanis of Michigan District Convention
August 27-30, 2015 **** Marriott Renaissance Detroit, MI

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM  ALL ATTENDEES MUST REGISTER AND RECEIVE A BADGE

Guest Name: ____________________________  Member Name: ____________________________

Badge Name (if different): ____________________________  Kiwanis Club of: ____________________________

Daytime Phone: ( ) ______-_______  Email Address: ____________________________

Club Officer Position 2014-15 ___________________________________

Check all that apply:  □ First timer  □ Legion of Honor  □ KMF Distinguished Kiwanian
□ 50 Yr. Kiwanian  □ Life Member District  □ Life Member Kl  □ KMF Trustee
□ KMF J. D. Alexander  □ Current District Chair

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INSTRUCTIONS:  Do NOT mail or fax this form after July 31….Late Registration is handled at the walk-in registration in Detroit.  Online registration will remain open until August 4.

Dress code for the convention is casual except for the Delegate Session which is business casual and the Governor’s Banquet which is Business Professional.  There is no assigned seating at the Governor’s banquet this year.

All Kiwanians must register if you are attending any part of the convention.  At a minimum, include your full Name and Club Name.  No paper registrations may be submitted after July 31.  After that date only onsite registration is available and the late fee will apply.

If you are a Delegate…..make sure your Club has submitted the Certification Form to enable you to vote.

You may Pick Up your Tickets during Registration Hours (they are included with your Registration Materials).

ALL EVENTS are Pre-Order Only.  See On-Site Registration desk for any available tickets at Convention.  Only registered attendees may receive a meal ticket.

If you are registering children under 18 (no registration fee), list their names and age(s):

__________________; _______________; _________________

Both Registration and Payment are available Online: www.mi.kiwanisone.org or fill in and mail this form.

☐ VISA  ☐ MasterCard  Expire Date: _____/_______

Return Form to: Michigan District of Kiwanis, P.O. Box 231, Mason, MI 48854

Signature __________________________________________________________________________________

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HOUSING REQUEST INFORMATION

MICHIGAN KIWANIS DISTRICT CONVENTION – MARRIOTT RENAISSANCE- - AUGUST 27-30, 2015

Following is information to obtain a room at our convention rate. Rooms in our Kiwanis block cannot be booked until June 1, 2015. Housing requests are not to be sent to the District Office. In order to obtain a room, housing requests may be made by phone to: 1-877-901-6632. You must mention Kiwanis Annual District Convention when reserving your room to receive our group rate. Be prepared to guarantee your room with a credit card. Our Kiwanis Convention rate is guaranteed for 2 days before and after the Convention. Cancellations must be made at least 24 hours prior to arrival to avoid charges. We have obtained a special rate and the District will be held to penalties for rooms not used – so we encourage you to book within our block.

For on-line booking: Go to https://aws.passkey.com/event/12474515/owner/437/home and select the dates you want to stay. There is no promo code needed. Or go to District Website for URL.

ROOM RESERVATION DEADLINE IS August 3, 2015.

Room Rates: All single, double, triple and quad rooms $127.00 per night plus tax

Marriott Renaissance Center is located in downtown Detroit at 400 Renaissance Center, Detroit, MI 48243. Parking is available at various lots. Valet is $25.00 per day, Beaubien Place Garage is $15.00 per day, Port Atwater is $18.00 per day and Miller is $20.00 per day. See map for parking locations. The hotel features a 100% smoke free environment in all guest rooms, meeting rooms, restaurants, lounges and retail outlets. Dining is available onsite and dozens of independent restaurants within 3 blocks. Wi-Fi is available at a special rate of $1.00 per day.

GM Renaissance Center Complex

8  February/March 2015 Issue
Let us continue with our success as the latest giving report is showing a total of $1,139,874.03 in gifts and pledges saving 633,263 lives from maternal neonatal tetanus. That is great news with 82% of club participation in the district and thank you to these clubs for their support in this worthwhile project, as we are saving lives not only in the Michigan district but throughout the world. Even though with these outstanding figures in our district we still need to achieve our goal with pledges and donations as we are only at 44% of $2.6 million. Our International total is at $79,071,037.60 in gifts and pledges saving 43,928,354 lives from MNT with a final goal of $110 million. With the deadline extended through December 2015 this will give us adequate time to reach this aggressive goal. The $110 million we raise through this project will support immunization of women of reproductive age, promotion of clean delivery practices, and sustainability through education and Kiwanian education and organizational enhancement.

What will you and your club do to help raise funds needed to make our goal and to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus from the face of the earth? To find and share the many ideas, go to www.TheEliminateProject.org/ideas. Some of these ideas are highlighted here: Flower Pot Fun, Walk For Eliminate, Cook Off, Golf Scramble, Dining for Donations, Dance Baby Dance, Tasting Party With A Purpose, Dress Down Day, Karaoke Talent Show etc.

The most recent award is the Kiwanis International celebrating its 100th anniversary with a Centennial award honoring our past and a donation or pledge of $1,500. The Centennial award will no longer be available after June 2015. In addition there is Save A Baby A Day with a $1.80 every day for one year totaling $657 or two years $1,314. The Walter Zeller Fellowship award is still available with a donation or pledge of $1,250 and the Hixson with a donation or pledge of $1,000. The Tablet of Honor in lieu of a Zeller is available too. Any pledges and donations will be credited to the club and individual and you have from two to five years to complete your pledges.

We have over 100 Kiwanians that are Coordinators for the Eliminate Project through out the Michigan district and in addition there are three Multi-Division Coordinators as listed here. Contact them or myself on how you and your club can continue and expand your support for this project.

With Kiwanis We Serve all,

Richard A. Buttery | Michigan District Coordinator
E-mail: RJButtery@charter.net
Phone: 269.349.1859
The role of Kiwanis advisor to an SLP club (K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K, and Aktion Club) is important to the success or failure of the club. The Kiwanis advisor serves as a liaison between the sponsoring Kiwanis Club and the SLP club, sharing information and ideas, while mentoring and providing leadership development opportunities to the members. Kiwanis International recommends that your club name one member (or a couple) to serve as the Kiwanis advisor to the SLP club. This individual will be identified for reporting purposes on the secretary’s dashboard your club secretary does their club reports on. Occasionally, Kiwanis International and the Michigan District SLP administrators will send out and share information which will help in the success of your SLP club. In order for your Kiwanis Advisor to receive this information, we have to have the correct contact information (name and email address) on file. Please ensure the Kiwanis advisor to your sponsored SLP club is identified, and their contact information is shared with the SLP administrators. The contact information for the SLP administrators is as follows:

**Kiwanis Kids (K-Kids)**
Shataura Clayborn
kiwaniskidsadministrator@mikiwanisone.org

**Builders Club**
Cindy Kenny
buildersclubadministrator@mikiwanisone.org

**Key Club**
Bryan L. Crenshaw
administrator@mikeyclub.org

**Circle K**
Lori Stillwell
lori2547@yahoo.com

**Aktion Club**
Gordon Schleicher
aktionadministrator@mikiwanis.org

The newly elected Michigan District of Key Club board had our first board meeting together. We reflected on events from last year and each got to learn about their job for the coming year. Although it was only a couple days of getting to know each other, we all grew very close and have high hopes for the coming year! We share a passion for service and a goal to be the best servant leaders we can possibly be.

Key Clubbers everywhere are getting excited for this year’s ICON! This event is going to be unlike any other because we get to celebrate 100 years of Kiwanis and 90 years of Key Club in Indianapolis, Indiana from June 22-29. We plan on representing Michigan Key Club in the mightiest way we can.

From learning about service projects to celebrating our progress with The Eliminate Project, we are bound to make memories we will never forget!
The Michigan District of Circle K would like to extend a hand in fellowship and service to its fellow branches of the Kiwanis Family. On Saturday June 20, Circle K is hosting a Kiwanis Family Picnic at the Whispering Woods Kiwanis Park in Shelby Township, Michigan. The event starts at 9am with multiple services projects to participate in until lunch is started at 12pm. Lunch will consist of fellowship, food, fun, and games! The cost of the event is only $10 which will allow Circle K to pay for your meal and donate the rest towards the ELIMINATE project. Please help Circle K strengthen Kiwanis Family Relations within the Michigan District! Whether you are interested in learning more about what SLPs have to offer or if you are interested in catching up with old friends, this is the event for you! Please register by June 16 at https://goo.gl/Jo4wMh.

Feel free to contact District Governor Steven McCarty at mccartys@umich.edu with any more questions regarding Michigan Circle K or the Kiwanis Family Picnic.

Steven McCarty
MI District of Circle K Governor | University of Michigan-Ann Arbor | mccartys@umich.edu | (734)-693-6969

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Youth Services/Early Childhood (Young Children Priority One)

The Michigan District of Kiwanis Clubs that participated in the 4 Youth Services projects that are listed below will receive a Youth Services Award at their Spring Divisional in 2016.

Please fill out the form and mail or email it back to Winnie Brys by September 1, 2015.

Winnie Bry | 1502 Southwick Dr., Tecumseh, MI 49286 | Email: wendybrys@gmail.com

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Club___________________________________________Division__________________________________
Secretary________________________________________President____________________________________
*Eliminate (at least $180.00) – Amount: __________________ Date/Month________________________
*Community Hospital Shower – What Hospital: __________________ Date/Month____________________
*Read Around the World: __________________ Date/Month_______________________________
*Partner with one of the following organizations: Landscape Structures Inc., Children’s Miracle Network, March of Dimes, Scholastic, and Unicef.
Organization:________________________________________ Date/Month________________________
Your Name:________________________________________ Phone or email:____________________

Thank You!
At my daughter’s 19 week ultrasound, her obstetrician detected a very rare birth defect that occurs in 1/10,000 pregnancies. My grandson, Jacob, had a giant abdominal wall defect called an Omphalocele. This occurs when a baby’s organs are outside of the body, in their mother’s umbilical cord. Jacob had a Giant Omphalocele because his intestines, stomach, liver, pancreas, and gallbladder were all external. Therefore, my daughter was referred to doctors at the University of Michigan who reviewed their options and discussed the prognosis. An amniocentesis was performed as well as many ultrasounds and an MRI.

At 38 weeks of gestation, Jacob Andrew Nyman was born at U of M after a planned cesarean section. He had many complications after birth and throughout his entire first year he had many surgeries, both planned and unplanned. After many prayers, Jacob finally came home just before his first birthday. He was not eating, was fed by a G-tube, and had many delays in his development. Nevertheless, Jacob was a miracle, and has been told by many physicians that he is here for a reason.

During one of his first hospitalizations as an infant in the PICU, Jacob was visited by the Child Life organization. They gave him a stuffed dog that was named Rowdy. Rowdy immediately became Jacob’s best friend, and they instantly bonded. Jacob immediately hugged, kissed, and cuddled Rowdy, and his face lit up with a huge smile when Rowdy would dance in front of him.

At 2 ½ years, Jacob had another surgery to remove and close his G-tube, repair his inguinal hernia, and perform a circumcision. Rowdy accompanied Jacob through yet another surgery at U of M. Rowdy even has black stitches in his neck to prove it!!

Finally, just before starting kindergarten at 5, Jacob finally started chewing and eating solid foods, and began school at Blessed Sacrament Catholic School. The teachers were willing to work with Jacob and his family to ensure his educational, spiritual, and health needs were met through much hard work and dedication. Jacob was sure to bring his best friend, Rowdy, to show and tell in preschool, kindergarten, and in first grade. However, Jacob’s favorite class is gym because he loves activity and all sports.

Last February, when Jacob was seven years old, he was admitted very suddenly and unexpectedly to U of M once again with pancreatitis and a bowel obstruction. They ran many tests including blood work, abdominal ultrasounds, and x-rays. He had IV’s, NG tubes, and an unedated PICC line placed. Jacob was comforted through these tests when Child Life providers would arrive with their iPad. They would distract him with his favorite songs, games, and YouTube videos as the procedures were taking place. After this, the doctors sent him home hoping the cause was just a viral infection.

After a second attack in April, they performed a CT scan, MRI, upper GIs, and two ERCPs as an attempt to relieve Jacob’s symptoms and avoid a much more complicated surgery. Unfortunately, this was also unsuccessful as Jacob had another recurrence in August. His gallbladder and adhesions were then removed throughout his abdomen via a laparoscopy. Jacob was reassured when he learned he would not be alone; his best friend, Rowdy, was going to have surgery with him. Rowdy was given a hospital gown, surgical mask, and hospital booties that were donated from Child Life. He even had a medical identification bracelet that matched Jacob’s to ensure the two of them would not be separated. Rowdy was dressed and ready to accompany Jacob into surgery!!

Unfortunately, it was a long recovery, and Jacob spent a couple more weeks recovering in the hospital after surgery. Jacob, normally being an active and energetic little boy, spent much of his day in the Child Life room on the 12th floor. There, he would enjoy the new art project for the day, along with painting, playing board and video games, and coloring. His worst subject in school, art, quickly became his favorite pastime as he spent many hours in the Child Life room. The friendly, knowledgeable, helpful, and caring staff would go above and beyond to brighten his day.

We are thankful for the many blessings and miracles from above. Jacob, who is now 8 years old, has been given much love and many prayers from his family, friends, and providers. We are thankful for all the people who have touched our lives and contributed to our grandson’s well-being. We are eternally grateful for the wonderful care Jacob received from the Child Life specialists at C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital.
Westside Kiwanis of Kalamazoo held its second annual "Food Drive for Kidz," as its Kiwanis One Day Service Event. To assist children living with hunger in the Kalamazoo area, Westside Kiwanis partnered with Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes, the largest charitable food distribution system in Kalamazoo County. During a five-hour period on Saturday, they collected 507 pounds of food, representing 423 meals by Feeding America metrics, and cash donations of $501.62. Because Loaves and Fishes is able to buy food for their Food Pantry Program at $0.09/pound, they will be able to buy more than 5,500 pounds of additional food with these donations. Partnering with Kalamazoo Loaves and Fishes has been a rewarding experience, for Westside Kiwanis because, together, we can support families and children in need in the Kalamazoo area.

By MerriKay Oleen-Burkey, a member of the Westside Kiwanis club, organizer of the Kiwanis One Day Service Event.
Being a mom is enough.

There is you. You giving of yourself. Minute, by minute, by minute until those hours add up to create a day which adds up to create a week which adds up to create a month which adds up to create years which add up to create a life. A beautiful life filled with ordinary enough mom moments.

Somehow in this mixed up media world of things to do and places to go and dreams to follow the beauty of simply being a mother is completely lost. Being a mom is enough.

Sometimes we want to look to those big things and use them as a grade for success. We look at the cool science fair projects where our child got the blue ribbon. But, honestly, we miss the hours of interacting and holding glue sticks and looking up things and laughing side by side. We want the trips to Disney or American Girl Doll and discount the time spent in the backyard. The bar of success and joy and happiness gets pushed so high by culture that the little things, the enough mom moments, are lost.

Do you know what matters?  Little things.

A mother being able to hold her child without it feeling pain. A child being able to stare at their mothers gaze. A child experiencing the feeling of hugging their mother. Carol Abadie has never lost that. Not with her own children, not with her grandchildren and not with the children that Downriver West Kiwanis serves in our community. Carol’s husband Preston and their children recently honored Carol with a very special Mother’s Day gift that will allow 690 babies to experience the love Carol has shared with her children. On May 4, 2015 Carol was presented with the Mother’s Day Walter Zeller Award, the first recipient of this award from the Downriver West Kiwanis club. We are so proud that Carol’s love and generosity has inspired children to receive 551,850 more kisses and 1 million plus hugs from their moms, to form 62 soccer teams, and to fill 27 kindergarten classes.

On April, 18, 2015 The Kiwanis Club of the Blue Water Area volunteered at the River Walk Butts Out event. We helped clean the new River Walk of cigarette butts and garbage for all to enjoy!

Bluewater

Summit Academy students ‘BUG’ out, earn rewards in Flat Rock

Several “bugs,” were seen all over Summit Academy recently, but none of the students or staff were creeped out or scared, in fact they celebrated it.

The Downriver West Kiwanis teamed with the staff at the school to help the third and fourth grade classes “Bring Up Grades.”

The Bug program is designed to provide recognition to students who raise their grades into an acceptable range and maintain or continue to raise them from one grading period to the next. Recognition includes being placed on the school’s BUG Honor Roll; a pizza, or other food-themed party; and presentation of certificate.

Recently more than 30 students in the school were honored with a short ceremony in the classroom.

“Students are empowered to participate in their own academic success, which builds self-confidence, perseverance and character,” Downriver West Kiwanis president said. “They attain important life skills known as developmental assets that help them make smart choices. Students take an active role in determining their involvement in the program, which motivates them to achieve those goals. Students participate in peer mentoring and become servant leaders, which helps everyone in the classroom succeed.”

Domino’s Pizza of Woodhaven co-sponsored the pizza party celebration with Downriver West Kiwanis to recognize the children’s tremendous accomplishments.
Most of us will answer, of course! If you didn’t why would you be in it right? Well then why wouldn’t you want to share your club with others? Kiwanis International put out a challenge for clubs to host an open house by June 30th so Downriver West Kiwanis decided to do just that and host what we called a “Special Guest Night” and made it a Luau theme. We are a laid back club that likes to have fun so what better way than to bust out our Hawaiian shirts, floppy hats, flip flops and have everyone get lei’d by President Dennis as they entered the meeting!

We started the planning with four club members on the committee and delegated tasks such as creating the invitations, gathering the names of our special guests (potential members), organizing our agenda for the evening, coordinating the food, etc. Even this part of the process is fun and happy. We met at a local restaurant and had breakfast together. We took the time to grow in Kiwanis fellowship and remember why we joined our specific club. We used our Office Depot Store Purchase Card provided by the Michigan District to get a large discount on printing costs for our invitations that we designed ourselves to fit our theme, but we would like to mention that the formula team has some available for you as well to make it easy. We asked members to bring items they already had at home that could be used to decorate the room for the night. Leading up to the night members were encouraged to think of friends, family, neighbors and co-workers who would make a great addition to our club. We then thought outside the box to expand our guest list, we thought of people our club does business with on a regular basis (Schools, churches, banks, etc.) and invited them. We decided to keep our normal meeting day, time and location, after all if you are inviting potential members why not invite them to a realistic situation. Fitting to our theme we had a local travel agent as our guest speaker for the evening who spoke on safety in travel.

The luau was here! Members arrived early to decorate and make sure that all of our special guests were greeted with smiles and welcomed to our club. Members were spread throughout the room (rather than all sitting at one table) that way guests could easily mingle amongst everyone. We ran the evening just like a normal evening would run. We did however make sure to provide a little more detail about things that may be a little unclear to outsiders. Our membership chair made sure to give a short talk about Kiwanis and specifically what Downriver West Kiwanis is doing in our community and how our guests could fit into that equation. Guests were provided with a survey at the end that they were asked to complete anonymously that asked several questions such as if they felt welcomed by members, what they learned about Kiwanis, etc. We had 10 guests at our open house and all had a very positive response and we are anxious to see how many turn into members as a result of this event.

Swartz Creek

We want to thank our Academy and Hub Students who gave of their time on Saturday, May 2, 2015 to clean the streets of Swartz Creek.

CLICK HERE to watch video
Kiwanis Ann Arbor Morning Edition and the Thurston Elementary PTO joined forces to raise money to support PTO student programs and to contribute to the Thurston Nature Center’s restoration project. TNC is 50 years old and the biodiversity of the aquatic plant and animal life of the pond has gradually declined over the years. A comprehensive plan is in place to restore the ecological health of Thurston Pond, so it can continue to be used as an outdoor classroom by our schools and community.

The event was family-friendly with a 1-Mile Fun Run at 9:20 a.m., as well as a Walking Tour Around the Pond at 10:30 a.m. It was a great day on Saturday in spite of the rain. There were 90 participants, ranging in age from 2 to 75.

The course wound through the picturesque, northeast neighborhood of Orchard Hills and included a trail through Sugarbush Park and another around Thurston Nature Center.

The trails are a favorite of runners and walkers in the area.

The Run/Walk was a great success and fun for the neighborhood. Kiwanis Morning Edition hopes to make it a yearly event.

Supporters at the finish line. We made it! Stephanie Johnston (right), who will be president of Concordia’s Circle K in the fall, crossed the finish line first.

Waiting for the Walk to begin.
Annual Kiwanis Shower raised over $7,000 for Mott Hospital

From its small beginning 8 years ago, the Kiwanis Club of Woodhaven’s annual shower to support the Child and Family Life Department at C. S. Mott Children's Hospital has grown each year. This year’s shower had almost 250 guests and raised over $7,000. The shower is held in memory of young Maddie Pawelczyk who lost her battle with cancer two years ago.

The Child and Family Life staff works to provide for the young patients and their families the physical and emotional support they need during a child’s illness. Unfortunately, health insurance does not meet these unique, but important needs of children. A visit to the hospital can be a stressful experience for children and families. Fortunately, there are many things the Child and Family Life Department does to reduce anxiety of ill children and their parents.

The Child and Family Life team at C. S. Mott Children’s Hospital is made up of trained professionals with expertise in helping reduce the stress and anxiety associated with hospitalization and illness. The Child and Family Life team members work together with doctors, nurses, social workers, and others throughout the hospital to meet the emotional, developmental, and cultural needs of children and their families. Some of the special services offered for patients and families include procedure preparation, medical play, activity center, hospital school programs, art therapy and music therapy.

Appetizers for the evening were provided by the Pawelczyk Family. Dinner was prepared by Secret Recipes Catering, desserts were provided by Sugared Petal Cakes and Jill Pawelczyk. Over fifty baskets were raffled at the shower. Guests played Mott Hospital Bingo.

Shower Chairperson, Louisa Elsey, says, “please circle Wednesday, May 11, 2016, on your calendar for next’s year’s shower. Your contribution to hospitalized children helps both the youngsters and their parents.”
Adrian, MI - Habitat for Humanity of Lenawee County is announcing the relocation of their ReStore this summer. Thanks to the support of the Kiwanis Club of Adrian, whose membership voted to donate $50,000 toward the relocation, Habitat will be able to do the building modifications needed to expand their store which supports Habitat’s housing ministry.

As the club’s Community Impact Committee considered how to have the greatest impact, they were intrigued by Habitat’s Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative and spent time gaining an understanding of that program’s objectives. Kiwanis members felt an investment in the ReStore would help to fund home rehabilitations and repairs for many years, rather than funding a one-time project.

“The Kiwanis Club of Adrian is delighted to be able to partner with Habitat in this exciting project,” said Kiwanis Club of Adrian President Mike Jacobitz. “Our Club membership was especially taken with the potential to multiply our investment in the ReStore would help to fund home rehabilitations and repairs for many years, rather than funding a one-time project.

“The Kiwanis Club of Adrian is delighted to be able to partner with Habitat in this exciting project,” said Kiwanis Club of Adrian President Mike Jacobitz. “Our Club membership was especially taken with the potential to multiply our investment in the new ReStore’s ability to turn materials that would otherwise be disposed of, into an additional income stream for Habitat. The idea that older homes will be rehabilitated and that building materials will be kept out of our landfills are additional and significant benefits to the program.”
Young Children Priority One

A human being learns more in the first five years than during any other time in his/her life. He/she needs toys, people to talk and listen to, books to admire and enjoy, opportunities to explore, a safe sanctuary and warm hugs. There are so many children in need and so many ways to help.

Young Children Priority One is an ongoing community service program of Kiwanis International that addresses the needs of children from prenatal until 5 years old. All Kiwanis Clubs are encouraged to carry out at least one YCPO project per month, serving children, families and communities. YCPO focuses on 4 key areas: *maternal and child health - *Child care and development - *parent education and support – and - *safety and pediatric trauma. If children’s needs in your community don’t fit these areas, feel free to innovate.

The Michigan District of Kiwanis will be given a YCPO service award this year to all clubs who participate in the four service projects that are listed below. A form will be mailed to all clubs in August 2015 to be filled out and returned back to the District Office if you complete the 4 service projects.

1. **Eliminate** – Clubs must donate at least **$180.00** to the Eliminate Project.

2. **Community Baby Shower** – Kiwanis clubs host a “Shower Project” to provide books, crafts kits, coloring books and gift cards to assist families during their stay at one of the four Michigan children’s hospitals in Ann Arbor, Detroit, Grand Rapids, and Petoskey. (We would really like to see your Community invited to these Showers, so that your community can see and be a part of what Kiwanis is all about). A list of what the Hospitals needs are will be included in this mailing.

3. **Read Around the World** – Every Child should experience the joy of reading. Suggested projects include donating books to a Library, organizing a book swap or book fair, reading and donating books to a preschool or kindergarten class. Give a new book to new parents in the hospital. Go to Kiwanis International’s website for more information on this project.

4. **Partner with one of the following organizations** - * Landscape Structures Inc. (Michigan Rep is Superior Play in Brighton) - They bring opportunities for play and playgrounds to communities. (1-888-438-6574). * Children’s Miracle Network – they raise money for Children’s Hospitals all across the United States and use the money where it is needed the most. (childrensmiraclenetworkhospitals.org). * March of Dimes – They give every baby a healthy start. (www.marchofdimes.org). * Scholastic – They promote a literacy outreach program – Read Around the World. (www.scholastic.com). * UNICEF – They work with people to overcome the obstacles that poverty, violence, disease and discrimination place in a child’s path. (www.unicef.org).

For more information on Youth Services/Early Childhood – YCPO and this award, please contact:

**Winnie Brys** – Michigan District of Kiwanis Children & Youth Services Chair

youthservices@mikiwanis.org
## Club Leadership Education (CLE)

### Registration Form

Please register the following KIWANIS CLUB for CLE Session at: (check one date box only)

(NO PHONE REGISTRATIONS)

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| July 11 | Fetzer Center at WMU, Business Court, Parking Lot 72F, Kalamazoo, MI 49008  
Deadline to Register:  June 29 |
| July 18 | Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River, Novi, MI 48374  
Deadline to Register: July 6 |
| July 25 | Great Hall Banquet Center, 5121 Bay City Rd, Midland, MI 48640  
Deadline to Register: July 13 |
| Aug 28 | *Michigan District Convention, Marriott Renaissance Center Lasalle A&B, Detroit, MI  
- Presidents and Secretaries Only  
Deadline to Register: August 14 |

**Club Name:** Kiwanis Club of __________________________

Total Number of Registrants: _____ x $30 fee per person  
Total Due: $ _________________

No names required

Attendees Title in October: ___ (2015-16) Club Secretary  
___ (2015-16) Club President  
___ (2015-16) Club Committee Chair  
____ Other

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Return entire form with payment to: Michigan District of Kiwanis, P.O. Box 231, Mason, MI 48854

**TO REGISTER and PAY ONLINE:**  
www.mi.kiwanisone.org  at the registrations tab

- Kalamazoo  
Session is for Divisions: 11; 12; 13; 14
- Novi  
Session is for Divisions: 1; 3; 4; 5; 7; 9; 10; 16
- Midland  
Session is for Divisions: 17; 18; 19; 20; 21; 22
- Convention Session time on August 28 is 1:15pm – 3:00pm

All Sessions begin with **check-in at 8:45** with training to **begin promptly at 9:15 AM**. Content is designed to assist the incoming Club President, the Club Secretary, Club Committee Chairs. The program should end at about 12:30 and includes your first Division Council meeting (try to attend location for your Division).
The Michigan Business and Professional Association boasts a sphere of influence with one in three businesses in the State of Michigan. What differentiates our organization from others is our personalized approach with each member to create positive, memorable experiences for them.

We make your organization better.

The Michigan Kiwanis joined the MBPA as a Business Champion in October 2014. The goal for the MBPA is to help grow Kiwanis visibility both as an organization and as individual clubs. MBPA membership is statewide, touching one in 3 businesses in the state employing approximately 300,000 people.

Any current Kiwanis member can join the MBPA at a discounted rate. Please call me with any questions you might have…I am happy to fill in the details for you.

I am always looking for tips that I think will benefit the Kiwanis members. One of those “aha” moments happened about two weeks ago at an event that had 80+ business owners in attendance. Much to my surprise there was only one other person and I who did any mingling or networking at all. Talk about being completely disenchanted with an organization—that is putting it mildly. Before my attending this event I suggested to a TON of business owners they should look at this organization and become involved. I will no longer promote this organization to anyone. How do people feel when they visit your club? Are you welcoming and warm? Do you want new members? Please use my experiences as a learning tool for club growth.

I have attended the Wyandotte and Manchester Clubs and I was blown away by both clubs. They are small and mighty and want to grow membership. At the Manchester Club one of my coworkers attended and joined the club on the spot. She had preconceived ideas about amount of time needed to become a member and was very excited to learn she could volunteer when schedule allowed it. She is also talking to other folks she knows in the area who are the same demographics she is. I am working on connecting the Wyandotte Club with an employer in the city to see if we can get them on board for some kind of participation. I apologize publicly to the Wyandotte Club for being so slow in actually connecting you although I do have the wheels in motion. Both clubs were open to suggestions and very inviting. I am an “at heart” member.

The MBPA partnership has grown Kiwanis membership and will continue to do so. I could not be prouder to support an organization and appreciate the opportunity to help this wonderful group!

I would love to learn more about your chapter as well as individual members/businesses. Please feel free to reach out to me at cmccann@michbusiness.org or 586.808.2820. Thanks!
Dear Michigan Kiwanians,

One of the things we are looking to do is to add value to your Kiwanis membership while looking for ways to bring in additional revenue. This additional revenue will help maintain District support of your clubs while we re-build our membership.

Office Depot/Office Max was our first partner. Now we are introducing My Choice Energy as our newest partner. Most residences and businesses that use natural gas will benefit by switching to My Choice Energy from their current natural gas supplier. This is a billing change only. You will still receive your gas from your current supplier. You will still receive a bill from your current supplier. And you will still call your current supplier if there are service issues.

The difference is My Choice Energy contracts in quantity so they can give you constant rate throughout the year. The best part for Kiwanis is My Choice Energy will rebate a portion of all our usage to the District. As long as people sign up and use the Kiwanis Agent Code 0050, anyone can switch and we will get a rebate.

If you have any questions, please contact My Choice Energy or myself. This is another way you can help yourself and/or your business and Kiwanis.

Yours in Service,
Greg Smith
Executive Director

My Choice Energy is pleased to be an “Endorsed Energy Partner” of the Michigan District of Kiwanis. As an alternative energy provider for both natural gas and electricity, we have become more of an energy optimizer. As a Michigan based and Michigan owned company we are committed to providing our customers with a variety of products and services with outstanding customer service. We are part of the Foster Blue Water Oil family of companies, which have been serving Michigan customers since 1942 with diesel, gasoline, propane, fuel oil and lubricants. We employ hundreds of people to help serve the State through our Sunrise Convenience stores that are branded BP and Marathon. As the energy division, My Choice Energy fosters efficiencies and economies that result in affordable energy prices across all classes of customers both residential and commercial businesses.

As part of the Michigan District of Kiwanis’ endorsement, we have developed a rebate program that gives back to Kiwanis to help contribute to your various fundraising programs and possibly help drive down costs for its members. For every member that is in good standing with Kiwanis and enrolls their natural gas account with My Choice Energy, we will rebate money for every Mcf (unit of gas) that each enrolled member uses. This program is also available to any customer that is referred to My Choice Energy through a Kiwanis member. If and when the time comes, My Choice Energy will also extend the rebate program under the electric choice program when it opens up for more participants. We will provide more details as they become available. Please check out our website at www.fostermychoice.com or call our toll free number at 888-505-9104. Please mention that you are part of or referred by the Michigan Kiwanis or mention Agent Code 0500.
**NEW CLUB – SHELBY GOLDEN K, DIV. 3**
Benny’s Restaurant, 56129 Van Dyke Ave., Shelby Twp., 1st & 3rd Wed., 9:00 AM
Pres: Ray Pini, 53315 Marian Dr., Shelby Twp., 48315-1911 Phone: (586) 615-2153
Email: captaincutty@gmail.com
Sec.: Michael Thornton, 48645 Van Dyke Ave. Ste. 205, Shelby Twp., 48317-2576 Phone: (586) 484-7881
Email: thorntonrealitygroup@yahoo.com

**SHOREWOOD, DIV. 1**
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**ALMA, DIV. 19**
Sec. Larry Alexander, phone: (989) 463-1274
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Pres. Julie Gudmunsen, phone: (231) 347-1346

**CHEBOYGAN, DIV. 22**
Pres. David Lord, phone: (231) 420-3854

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**CLUB MEETING PLACE DATE CHANGES**

**CALEDONIA, DIV. 14**
Perfetto’s Yogurt, 6450 S. Caledonia, Thurs., Noon

**HOUGHTON LAKE, DIV. 20**
Riviera Resort & Restaurant, 104 Hillside Ave., Prudenville, Thurs. Noon

**INDIAN RIVER, DIV. 22**
Citizen’s National Bank (basement), 3390 S. Straits Hwy, Mon., Noon

**INFO FOR ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUALS**

**LT. GOVERNOR, DIV. 4**
Lt. Gov.-Elect Lisa Hicks-Clayton is completing the current Lt. Governor term (replaces J. Christe). Change phones: home: (313) 438-6554, cell: (313) 348-9848

**LT. GOVERNOR-ELECT, DIV. 13**
Victoria A. Okuniewski (Paul), 4518 Stonebrook Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49009-1122
Club: Kalamazoo
Cell: (269) 873-2708 Email: lgedivision13@mikiwanis.org

2013-14 LT. GOVERNOR, DIV. 3 (page 32)
Kelley Parise, 725 Brooks Ave., Pontiac, 48340-1137
Email: kellemires@hotmail.com

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**Labor Day, Monday**
September 7th, 2015

To help Kiwanis celebrate their 100th Birthday the Michigan Peach Festival has invited the Romeo Area Kiwanis Club to have a representative as the Grand Marshal of the Peach Festival. We have invited our International President, Sue Petrisin, and she has eagerly accepted!!

Currently, we are in planning stages of having a mid-morning brunch/reception at a local orchard. Afterwards, the club invites Kiwanians to join Sue in the afternoon parade by riding on floats, followed by a post parade gathering with refreshments.

Tickets go on sale early May for Kiwanians who want to participate.

If you have suggestions please call Don or Cindy at 586 752-7534
**June 2015**

1. Deadline for filing Annual Report of Club Elections
3. Past Governors Council, Lansing
   First Planning Meeting for 2016 District Convention--9:30 AM, E. Lansing
6. 3rd District Board Meeting, 9:00 AM, Mason
8. Michigan District Foundation Golf Tournament-Whispering Pines, Pinckney

*27 Deadline for Club Proposed Amendments & Resolutions to District Office
24--27 Kiwanis International Convention, Indianapolis
24--27 Key Club International Convention, Indianapolis
24--27 Circle K International Convention, Indianapolis
*28 2014-15 Club Presidents have Committee Chairs selected

**July 2015**

3. INDEPENDENCE DAY
   -- District Office Closed
*7 Club Chairs to set Budgets & Projects for 2015-16
*11 Club Leadership Education (CLE), Kalamazoo
*13--17 State Police Student Law Academy, Lansing
*13--17 Fellowship of Christian Athletes Camp, Albion College
*15 Deadline for Proposed Amendments & Resolutions mailed to Clubs
*18 Club Leadership Education (CLE), Novi
*25 Club Leadership Education (CLE), Mt. Pleasant

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Active Clubs............................................ 163
District Beginning Membership 4659 members
Reporting Members May 1, 2015...........4846
Net Gain +187 members

--- In Memoriam ---

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Addison

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Jackson

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J. LARRY WILLIAMS
Kiwassee-Midland

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Swartz Creek

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Ann Arbor +8
Monroe +7
Tri Cities, Gd. Haven-Spring Lake +7
Clinton Township +6
Livonia Early Risers +6
Kiwassee, Midland +6
Morenci +6
Chesaning +5
Clare +5
Dearborn Outer Drive +5
Detroit No. 1 +5
Gaylord +5
Gladwin +5
Holly +5
Jackson Northwest +5
Kalkaska +5
Lapeer +5
Pontiac +5

Net gain is from 10-1-14 thru 4-30-15 and includes clubs only with at least a net gain of +5 based on official membership numbers supplied by Kiwanis International.