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"Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to  
changing the world one child and one community at a time."

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#### CALENDAR

Aug. 7 Human & Spiritual Values Committee meeting. 11:15 a.m. Ginny Morrison  
Aug. 31 Community Services meeting. 1:00 p.m. Dick Jellum  
Aug 23-26 Michigan District Convention in Midland.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Dan Macek read thank you notes from our sponsorship of the March of Dimes drive and from the Legacy Center preschool tote project.

Al Klashak: We need scrapbook items. Must be submitted in the next two weeks.

Ed Flagg: Aug 6th will be a taping session at MCTV. If you want to advertise your projects let Ed know so equipment and people can be available.

President Duane: All Kiwassee members are encouraged to register for the Michigan District Convention which will be held in Midland on August 23-26. Members must register before August 8. After the 8th it will be an extra \$10. Duane said the Club will pay (up to 50 members) for the luncheon on August 24 for those Kiwassee members who are registered to attend the convention.

Townley: Duane Brooks has built a box to display KK honors. Anyone with KK honors at home please bring them in. Note: Ex Presidents.

Townley: The Pinecrest question: How can Kiwassee best help? Interested member please meet with Englund after today's meeting.

#### THE TONI & TRISH HOUSE

##### FOR THE CARE OF THE TERMINALLY ILL

Ginny Morrison introduced John McKelvey who discussed the proposed Toni & Trish House which will be an end of life care facility. Midland needs a house for terminally ill people without primary care help. This proposal would use the Mother Teresa House in Lansing as a model, which has been a very successful facility for that area. The Toni & Trish House would provide short term care, usually about 3 months. The medical services would be provided by a Hospice medical agency or physician. The home would provide daily meals and the intent would be to provide a quiet peaceful atmosphere where family and friends could visit comfortably. There would be no charge for the patient. Dr Kim Zielke commented on the need for such a facility. Many people don't have caregivers, some have homes with no central heat or running water. Some have caregivers that become sick and the Hospice House would help solve this problem. Becky Chronowski is the fund raiser and she told us about a booth @ the County Fair and a fall fundraiser on Nov. the 10th. Contributions can be made to the Midland Foundation with a note that it is for the Toni & Trish House. This project needs a four bedroom house. McKelvey commented that working with the dying helps one to set life's priorities.

