

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

**CHAIR:** Dick Jellum

**INVOCATION:** Al Klashak

**MUSIC:** Bob Ralston/Bill Burk

**PIG:** Paul Walker

**MAILER:** John McClellan

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### CALENDAR

March 6 “The Rock” annual fund raising dinner, 6:00 p.m.. Duane Townley.  
March 18 Final Travel and Adventure program. Volunteers needed. Al Klashak.  
April 10 Spring Divisional meeting, Frankenmuth.  
April 26 West Branch Kiwanis Club’s “Kids Against Hunger” program.  
April 19&29 West Midland Family Center work project. Jim Schroeder.  
April 28 Eagle Village fund raising dinner, 5:45 p.m. at the Dow Diamond.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

\*\*\*Kathy Ellison, speaking as President of the Kiwassee Kiwanis Foundation Board of Directors, reported that the Foundation has assets totaling \$92,500 as of Feb. 22. Forty five members contributed \$2,225 during the past year. Investments declined 4% as compared with a market decline of 11%. Kathy said investments, which are managed by Jack Lehman, are relatively conservative and are not as sensitive to fluctuations in the equity markets. She added that Jack will be scheduled to speak to the club in the fall about the Foundation’s investment strategy, policies, and goals. Kathy presented a Foundation check for \$1,500 to Renee Yates representing the Midland Community Center. Renee thanked the club and said the donation will be used to purchase a park bench commemorating Kiwassee Kiwanis. The bench will be part of a \$2.5 million campus renovation project.

\*\*\*Diane Stevens will arrange, after determining strong interest from the membership, to make Kiwassee Kiwanis tee shirts available for \$8 each.

\*\*\*Jim Schroeder is working with the West Midland Family Center and the evening Kiwanis Club to participate in a work project to erect a new picnic shelter at the WMFC. Work dates are scheduled for April 19 and April 29. More details later.

\*\*\*Roger Briggs asked members to remember their Walk For Warmth pledges.

\*\*\*Don Petersen reported that Longview Elementary School has a supplemental science program for fifth graders that is in need of volunteer assistant lab instructors. The class meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.. Please call Don if you are interested in helping.

\*\*\*Renee Yates announced our Annual Golf Outing fund raiser will be on July 14. More later.

\*\*\*Al Klashak reminded members that the final Travel and Adventure program will be on March 18. Volunteers will be needed as usual. Sign up sheets will be available next Tuesday.

\*\*\*President Jellum reminded members of the Spring Divisional meeting in Frankenmuth on April 10. Please let him know if you are interested in attending. All are invited.

### PROGRAM: SENIOR YOUTH PLUS SPECIAL ON ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGE

Dave Bender, who is the faculty advisor for the new Circle K club at Northwood, said the club was official chartered last month and is off to a good start with over 20 members. They are looking forward to being involved in many community projects. Members were not available today because of semester break at Northwood.

Al Forster introduced Natalie Fort who is Vice President of the Midland High Key Club. Natalie gave an excellent presentation which included a number of the community projects the Midland High club has contributed time and effort to. They worked 160 hours of Salvation Army Bell Ringing time last Christmas, worked as hospital volunteers, helped with Big Brothers/Big Sisters, mentored elementary students (160 hours), helped with the Blood Drive which resulted in 160 pints of blood, and worked on various school projects including campus cleanup programs. The Midland High Key Club has contributed about 1200 volunteer hours to the community so far this year.

John Russell introduced Shari Foster, who is a Tax Associate with H&R Block. Shari is one of many H&R Block employees who are available to give customized presentations about tax related issues to various groups. Shari gave a detailed presentation about the Economic Stimulus Package recently approved by Congress and signed into law by President Bush.