

CALENDAR

- Tues. Dec 6 Eastlawn School Christmas Party 11:30-1:00
- Wed Dec 14 Aktion Club Holiday Party 5:00-6:30
- Tues Dec 20 Kiwassee annual Christmas Party with guests **YOU MUST SIGN UP TO ATTEND**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Cal Hoerneman has tickets for the Zonta Home Walk on December 3rd and 4th. We have a reciprocal arrangement whereby we sell nuts and candy at one of their meetings.
- Al Burmester/Jim Rajewski be sure you do a thorough job on checkout sheets. Check your work. Storekeepers should NEVER leave the room unattended/unlocked.
- John Congleton has tickets for "Holiday Wishes Gala" at the Great Hall 5:30-9:00 December 1st John also announced New Hope Village is having an open house at their new location, formerly Hillside School, on December 7th from 4:00-6:00. Kiwassee members should attend to support.
- Jack Higgins one last time, turn in T&A tickets/money
- Larry McCoy All six Kiwanis clubs were represented at the Santa Parade last Saturday. Also, get your picture taken for our photo album update.
- Doug Snoddy reported he and Mark Fenske have begun developing a digital strategy for the club. They plan to include an electronic-meeting capability.
- Diane Stevens NEXT WEEK, December 29th is the last day to bring your gift contribution for the Eastlawn School party. December 13th is the last day for those of you gifting Salvation Army kids
- Brian Goodwill said the Salvation Army still needs bell ringers this Saturday. **HELP HIM OUT**

MEMBERSHIP REPORTS

Bill Spaulding and Max Bottomley visited Paul Walker. Jim Morgan is recovering from a broken pelvis suffered in Paris, France. No details available.

PROGRAM FOUNDATIONS

Roger Briggs talked about the three Kiwanis foundations with which we strengthen our mission to help children and our communities.

The Kiwassee Foundation is owned by your club. It was established in 1978, and has its own set of bylaws. The Kiwassee board of directors appoints its members who then elect their own officers. Because it is a 501c(3) all funds collected/earned can only be donated to tax exempt organizations. It will make grants of some \$11-12k this year based on about 5% of its assets. Jack Lehman has generously managed its portfolio *gratis* for many years. Thank you, Jack. The late Bill Marklewitz bequeathed approximately \$140k recently to the foundation. You may also contribute with cash, insurance policies, trusts, among others.

The Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation collects \$45 per member each year. They have no endowment but disperse all funds each year. They support four childrens' hospitals here in Michigan which serve all the children in the state. They also have a coloring book program. Any club can donate those materials to a local hospital.

The Kiwanis International Foundation recently changed its name to Kiwanis Children's Fund. They have matching grants for eligible programs. Member of Kiwassee were on the F.A.C.E. board which received an early grant from them. We hope to get some support from it for New Hope Village.