

CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 16: For A Brighter Tomorrow luncheon fundraiser, 12pm-2pm, Midland Holiday Inn (Alex Rapanos)

Thursday, May 17: Kiwassee Board of Directors meeting, noon, Memorial Presbyterian Church (Roger Moll)

Saturday, May 19: Midland Blooms, east side of Eastman, south half of block between Sugnet and Clover Ct. (Roger Moll)

Tuesday, May 22: Panel discussion: “What Are the Most Pressing Problems for Midland County’s Youth?” bring a guest (LET GORDON ROGERS KNOW ASAP IF YOU PLAN TO BRING A GUEST!)

Tuesday, May 22: Last day to turn in money for INDIVIDUAL flag placements.

Monday, May 28: Memorial Day Parade, Kiwassee plus other Kiwanis groups will walk (Martha Briggs)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Roger Moll: Midland Blooms is this Saturday, May 19, 8:00. Our location is the east side of Eastman, just north of Sugnet & Eastman intersection. Park in the church lot across the street or on Clover Ct. Be careful crossing the street! BYO kneeling pad, garden gloves, and garden trowel. And be sure to plant GREEN SIDE UP! If you were here early for a committee meeting or other purpose, remember to check in on the computer. The Kiwassee Board of Directors meets this Thursday; get agenda items to Roger ASAP.

Roger Briggs of the Midland Kiwanis Club: The Monday night club is holding its annual rose fundraiser. For a mere \$25, you can purchase for yourself or someone special a beautiful bouquet of roses or mixed flowers. A cheerful Kiwanian will deliver them to your home

Martha Briggs: The Memorial Day Parade is Monday, May 28. Kiwassee and other local members of the Kiwanis family will meet at St. Nicholas and Larkin Sts—be there by 9:45. Ray Senesac has volunteered to drive his cool convertible for folks who cannot walk the route.

Al Forster: Twelve members have yet to pay their dues—GET ON IT!

Gordon Rogers: PLEASE INDICATE ON THE CLIPBOARD CIRCULATING THE NUMBER OF GUESTS YOU PLAN TO BRING TO NEXT WEEK’S MEETING FEATURING THE PANEL DISCUSSION! See Gordon if you have any questions.

Betsy Sullivan: Forms for the Kiwanis for Kids Golf Outing July 23 are beside the nametag box. Consider volunteering, playing, sponsoring, or providing a door prize or silent auction item – or plan to do all four! See Betsy if you have any questions. And follow Fred Honerkamp’s example and encourage guest Scott McNellis to provide significant support for the outing.

Jim Young: The flag stand announced that we have reached 90% of our \$12,000 goal, \$10,800! **Forms and money for individual flag installations are due at NEXT WEEK’S meeting (5/22)!**

Roger Moll: When you try to check in on the laptop and find it’s not working, let Dave Winegardner know.

MEMBERNEWS: Bruce Rayce is restless, bored, and uncomfortable in the rehab area at Brittany Manor—and, according to Fred—in “good spirits.” Plans for his return home include building a ramp from the garage into the house. He’s in for a long recovery. John Clary reported that Bruce called him for a phone number last night—related to a flag sponsorship. In other words, “He’s WORKING!”

GUESTS: President Roger welcomed Diane Middleton and Scott McNellis, our presenters for today, along with Kristy Godley, who recently graduated from Northwood University. She has an internship in Auburn Hills this summer, after which she’ll return to NU to earn an MBA. She’ll remain active in Circle K next year, serving as Michigan District Treasurer. Congratulations, Kristy!

PROGRAM: Leadership Midland, Diane Middleton and Scott McNellis

Human and Spiritual Values chair Brian Goodwill introduced Diane, Executive Director of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, and Scott, 2018 Leadership Midland Steering Committee chair. This year’s 3-day community leadership program will take place at Northwood University Thursday through Saturday, October 18-20, from 7 a.m. until late at night each day. A large group of local partners, including businesses, non-profits, and organizations, make the program possible, as does the 27-member Steering Committee, made up of LM alumni, who do everything from initial selection of participants to scheduling over sixty presenters and fifteen venues to facilitating all of the activities.

How does a successful community work together? Leadership Midland aims to answer this important question. Participants learn about the various facets of our community, including government, non-profits, and businesses, and they gain a sense of how they can be involved. The program gives them a snapshot of Midland as they gain knowledge, practice skills, and network with people from throughout Midland. Team-based activities drive home the importance of working together to solve challenges. Participants leave with enhanced leadership skills as well as a commitment to use those skills to address issues in our community.

Leadership Midland requires a strong commitment from each participant: in addition to the rigorous three-day program, enrollment requires completion of a lengthy application and securing two letters of recommendation; preliminary work that includes site visits to any four of several important locations in the community; and introductory, orientation, and post-program meetings. Each year participants develop a class project that will have an impact on the community. The 320+ Alumni Association is active throughout the year and provides veterans of the program with continuing education, service opportunities, social gatherings, and occasions to mentor current program participants.

To learn more, visit the Chamber website (www.mcaa.org). Click “Events and Programs” and select “Leadership Midland.”