



Kiwanis Club of Coldwater Weekly Newsletter

Serving the Children of the World

Monday, November 14, 2016

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- Bob Tharp, President
- Mark Ott, President-Elect
- Jim Voss, 1st Vice President
- Stan Tipton, Secretary
- Kent Neitzert, Treasurer
- Cheri Anderson, Past President

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- Denny Brieske
- Paula Brieske
- Tracy Kelley
- Janet Ott
- Ray Sebastian
- Deborah Tomlinson
- Terry Tomlinson

Meetings:

Mondays @ 11:45 a.m.
Coldwater Elks Club
47 S. Division St.
Coldwater, MI 49036

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Serving the Children of the World

**Serving Coldwater and
Branch County since 1935
with youth programs**

Upcoming Events:

Terrific Kids book distribution
Dictionaries at St. Charles and
Pansophia Academy
Signature Project Meeting on 11/28
after Club meeting

Future Programs:

Nov. 21: Youth Haven Ranch, Larry
Carlson
Nov. 28: Miller Amish Country
Poultry Program

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Today's meeting recap

President Bob Tharp brought the meeting to order.

Members in attendance: Dave Anderson, Denny Brieske, Myra Brimmer, Dave Brown, Bob Foote, Sveta Foote, Tracy Kelley, Jack Lintner, Kent Neitzert, Patty Roberts, Ray Sebastian, Dave Sutherland, Bob Tharp, Deb Tomlinson, Terry Tomlinson, Jim Voss.

Guests: None today

Birthday: Myra; Anniversary: Ray & Bev.....Congratulations!

Happy Dollars today *(A reason to start the week on a positive and upbeat note)*

Happiness is: Secretary's return from vacation, MULTIPLE happy dollars since the election is over!! Son in law back from Iraq and Red's help on flag pick (only other volunteer), Trip to Tijuana and time in jail, Good Denver trip and mint tour returning with a sample (penny) What no \$\$? Is there a happy colonoscopy? Yes, it is over. For WMU win and upcoming TV coverage, Senioritis kicked in and forgot the other \$\$, Happy to be married to a Vet, which includes a free dinner, A guilt dollar for forgetting the flag pickup, for not hitting a deer and for the book distribution at Max Larsen School.

Our Program:

Kathy Olmstead presented a program on Tommy's Place. "Tommy" is Tommy Olmstead who is an Associate Chaplain at the Branch County Jail. Following tragic endings, for a couple of women she had worked with at the jail after their release, she determined that a transitional facility to help women readjust and re-enter society would be a good idea.

Some of the support the residents receive includes:

- A faith based program with 24 hour supervision.
- Rehabilitation programs that include: Spiritual guidance, personal counselling, 12 step program, job skills, practical life skills, personal hygiene

It is a safe and sober environment where members share responsibilities in the care of the home. Together women support and encourage individual growth while learning how to live without drugs and alcohol. They develop community with each other that promotes healthy living and sobriety.

Ribbon cutting on new home is on December 3. They have people ready to move in now. Women do not have to be coming out of jail to participate due to alcohol or drug addiction. The cost is \$30 per day with an expected stay of 90 days.

Club Announcements:

1. Signature project meeting is scheduled for 11/28 after the Club meeting.
2. Keep Letha in your prayers after the auto accident.
3. Library program at the Branch District Library: Travelling Tails featuring Russia on Saturday, November 19 at 11:00 a.m. This is our Club sponsored program. Take your kids or grandkids.

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4. ***Below are the openings through January, please try to fill an opening...Please see if you can fill in....***

Lakeland

- Tuesday, November 29- Amy Galliers & _____

JANUARY

Max Larsen

- Tuesday, Jan 10- _____ & _____
- Wednesday, Jan 11- _____ & _____

Lakeland

- Tuesday, January 24- Amy Galliers & _____

5. **The Kiwanis International Foundation has changed its name to the Kiwanis Children's Fund.** The name change to better reflect the purpose of the organization.

50/50 Winner this week was: Patty Roberts

To start your week:

*Service to our community and its children. That is who we are.
Improving the world one child, one community at a time.*

This Week's Nugget

*Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere,
diagnosing it incorrectly and applying the wrong remedies.
Groucho Marx*