



# Kiwanis Club of Coldwater Weekly Newsletter

Serving the Children of the World

Monday, July 24, 2017

## Officers

- Mark Ott, President
- Jim Voss, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
- Stan Tipton, Secretary
- Kent Neitzert, Treasurer
- Cheri Anderson, Past President

## Board Members

- 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

## Motto

Serving the Children of the World

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

## Upcoming Events:

**Color Run is Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Applefest is Sep. 16<sup>th</sup>**

## Future Programs:

**July 31:** AEWE Program-Tracy K.  
**August 7:** Board Meeting

## Contact Us

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## Today's meeting recap

President Mark Ott brought the meeting to order.

Members in attendance: Denny Brieske, Paula Brieske, Mic Depew, Bob Foote, Sveta Foote, Tracy Kelley, Jack Lintner, Red Loose, Kent Neitzert, Mark Ott, Butch Parsons, Ray Sebastian, Shirley Tipton, Stan Tipton, Terry Tomlinson, Jim Voss, Dick Zeluff

Guests: Sam Greenburg

Anniversary & Birthday: Janet

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

Happy for a week's cruise with son and for a great summer; Europe trip that was planned by the family went to many areas and had a great time; Happy for a trip to Hodunk (aren't we all), Jack returning and mixed feelings about last concert for Shades of Grey & Tracy returning; Kids cleaned up their trailer; Hole in One missed by 7 strokes! Trip to Higgins Lake and certifications in bow hunting and trapper's license, shot a crossbow for the first time; Happy for Schools of Hope recruiting meetings with various groups.

## Our Program:

### Human Trafficking

#### MSP Trooper Kristi Angelo

- Human Trafficking is modern slavery with the situation being driven by supply and demand. For the criminal, it is a high profit and low risk venture.
- It is the fastest growing criminal enterprise second only to drugs. A "pimp" can make \$300,000 per person, per year.
- Drugs are a key element in trafficking and are used in the control of the victims by keeping them "high" and the monetary control it provides.
- Trafficking is defined as the recruiting, transporting, transferring, harboring by the use of force, fraud or coercion.
- Evidence of trafficking appears in the form of tattoos on the victims that are unique to the criminal, and branding tattoos on the inside lip.
- It is prevalent in Michigan with 150 girls per month falling prey with ages 12-13 for girl and 12 for boys as the desired age groups. Victims are obtained via kidnapping (3%), sold by family (35%), or tricked by a friend (62%)
- Recruiting takes place in many places: Facebook, Apps on phones, rest areas, restaurants, salons, construction sites. There are various methods and approaches that are used, and there are groups that work together to attract victims.
- 90% of children in the U.S. are abducted for sex, and the average life expectancy of a trafficked child is 2 years.
- We all need to be on alert for suspicious activity and report behavior that we feel borders on unusual or strange.

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Club Announcements:

- **Tibbits Play and Dinner is planned for August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tickets are purchased, but you can join us for dinner.**
- Kudos to Jim for the trivia game while our program presenter was delayed due to court obligations.
- Schools of Hope Reading Program-We are working on tutors for next year, if you are interested, or just as importantly if you have a friend who might be interested, invite them.
- Next week Deb would like help placing stickers on Terrific Kids books at Tracy's office after the Club meeting. Please stop in and help for as long as you can.
- Terry is selling raffle tickets for a cruise with proceeds going to the Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation and the Michigan District operating funds.
- Terry, Stan and Mark are attending Club Leadership Training in Kalamazoo on Saturday.

50/50 Winner this week was: Butch

*To start your week and next...*

*Your day will go the way the corners of your mouth turn!*