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Today's Meeting News

• Hosts

◦ Greeters

- Mike Becker



Greeter Mke Becker

- Doug Bird





- **Presiding Officer**
 - Jody Howard
- **Reporter**
 - Chuck Gehrke
- **Photographer**
 - Spencer Ruffner
- **Publisher**
 - Spencer Ruffner
 - Lana Archer
- **Invocation**
 - Mary Tommelein
- **Announcements**
 - **Presidents Announcements:**
 - Next board meeting - Wednesday February 25th at 7 PM at the Tecumseh Education Board Office.
 - Next week's program, Heather Perez from Community In Schools, speaking on the upcoming March Mingle.
 - **Chamber of Commerce Member of the Week:** Anderson Funeral Home



John Barnhart representing Anderson Funeral Home for The Chamber of Commerce member of the week





Lana Archer

- Lana announced that the Community Service committee will be playing Bingo at Cambrian on March 3 at 1 PM. One more Kiwanian is needed to assist. Contact Lana if available.
- A donation has been sent to Hospice of Lenawee in memory of Lance Ness' mother.
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Ron Wimple

- Ron Wimple announced the next Travel and Adventure will be March 10 on Volcanos. He is circulating a sign up sheet for assistance at the event.





Cal Tuttle

- Cal Tuttle announced we are still signing up for the flag project and he would like to be informed of information regarding the flags. Replacement flag planters are need for the Masten's route – Mary Tommelein and Mike Becker volunteered to take over the route. Bryan will be here for Memorial Day planting to assist in finding the "spot" for the flags.



Doug Bird

- **Doug Bird has contacted 4 banks and has a yes for a flag from 2. Jeff Seitz noted that Monroe Bank and Trust has already signed up.**

• Seniors of the Month





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Joshua Arbini and Olivia Nowak

• 50/50 Drawing

\$27.00 – Congratulations Susan Gilmore!



Susan Gilmore wins

• Fine Session





Btian Callaghan

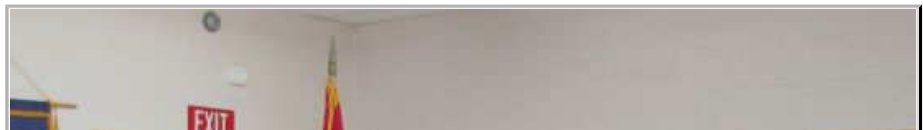
Brian Callaghan was finemaster with a subject of Birds. We were amazing, getting several correct. Cal Tuttle was a hoot, he sure knows about owls! We knew the largest bird is an Ostrich standing as high as 9 feet and weighing up to 156 pounds. And the smallest bird is a Bee Hummingbird with a 2 inch wingspan, weighing 1.8 grams with wings beating at 80 per minute. The largest wing span, 10.5 feet, belongs to the Condor. An Australian Pelican has the largest beak.

Special Fines and Happy Dollars



Mary Tommelein

- Mary Tommelein paid for our students of the month and their accomplishments.
- Mike McArar for his grandson graduating from MSU ROTC program, he will be stationed at Fort Benning.
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Spencer Ruffner

Spencer Ruffner for surviving, a very harrowing slip and slide event on US 23 coming home from Traverse City, with only a little damage to his sons car.

• Birthdays and Anniversaries

None

• Program

Julie LoMonaco introduced John Lapham



Tax Accountant John Lapham

John spoke on the Affordable Care Act effect on taxpayers as he sees it in his tax preparation business

Individuals go to the Healthcare Marketplace to apply for insurance. Premium credits are based on 2012 income.

Healthcare credits may be used towards the monthly premiums or as a tax refund. Most of the returns John has prepared so far have had to pay back, the highest so far is \$2,400, mainly because their income increased over the 2012 amount. Healthcare paybacks are not subject to penalties.

The entire household income is considered when establishing premiums.

He sees a great potential for fraud.

One Kiwanian is thankful for the act because his COBRA was \$1,800 per month but the insurance he was able to get through the act reduced his premiums to \$200 per month.

Doctor Chuck Gehrke expressed his knowledge and support of the act. He provided his understanding of the necessity of the act to help in reducing the billions of wasted dollars spent on healthcare.

• Future Meeting Responsibilities

Date	Note Taker	Greeters	Greeters	Invocation	Fines	Program Chair	Program Description
February 24	Susan Gilmore	Wendy Brys	John Bartrum	George Eidson	Terry Lighthall	Tom Neyer	Heather Periz - CIS / March Mingle
March 3	Kelly Coffin	Anne Walker	Bill Baker	Lance Ness	Gayle Hazelbaker	Wendy Brys	Helen Hendricks - Share the Warmth
March 10		Mike McAran		Chuck Gehrke	Jeff Seitz	Lana Archer	
March 17	Carlton Cook	John Deming	Ruth Deming	Carlton Cook	Tom Meyer		



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