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## Today's Meeting News

- **Hosts**
  - **Greeters**



■ Greeter Ron Wimple

- **Presiding Officer**
  - **Mike McAran**





President Mike Mc Aran

- **Reporter**
  - **Chuck Gehrke**
- **Photographer**
  - **Spencer Ruffner**
- **Publisher**
  - **Spencer Ruffner**
  - **Lana Archer**
- **Invocation**
  - **Lance Ness**
- **Song Leader**
  - Carlton Cook with Dan Meikle at the piano

## • **Guest**



■ Mark Tommelein, Mary's husband

## • **Announcements**

- **Spencer Ruffner announced the Chamber of Commerce member of the week: Tecumseh Big Boy Sherri Tuckey**





Wendy Brys – Celebrate Tecumseh to promote Kiwanis, April 14 sign-up.

Wendy Brys – Sign up for 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Banquet on May 24 at Lenawee Country Club. Cash bar 6pm dinner at 6:30pm. Cost is \$28.00 per person, including all Kiwanis members. Please pay by check. Sign up deadline May 1.

Wendy Brys – Motts Shower, May 3, 7pm at Gloria Dei. Collection items Crayola crayons, coloring books, Legos, Hot Wheels and gift cards. Lana will shop for you.



Lana Archer. – Adopt A Highway, Saturday, April 23... 9am Meet at tennis courts. Wear waterproof clothing, bring gloves. Donuts and water provided.





Brian Callaghan passed around a sign up sheet to get volunteers to go out and talk to your neighbors about our flag project on April 16 (Brian obtained special permission at the Tecumseh Council meeting to allow Kiwanis members to do this on a Saturday).

Ron Musselman and Brian are holding a flag building party Saturday morning 10:00 am, 4-9-2016 at Lana's barn on Bent Oak Hwy. We need 4-5 more volunteers to help us build flags for new subscribers. At this point we have 40 new subscribers. It should take only a couple of hours to assemble the new flags. I will have coffee, tea, water, bagels and donuts. We need your help. Contact Brian if you can help.



Susan Gilmore. – Forgive the industrial look during renovations. It won't get any worse than this. Church renovations should be done by end of May. Wear a sweater as the heat will be shut off April 14.

#### Ⓢ Highlights of Kiwanis Own:







Mel Stubli

Born in 1961 in Hillsdale the 3<sup>rd</sup> of 4 children. Raised on a farm in Rollin and attend Addison schools. Was in 4-H and competed at Lenawee County Fair. In school I ran track, played football and softball. He was a Husky size when young. Wanted to be a Phys Ed teacher. Attended JCC on a music scholarship. Attended Western. Was with Bank of Lenawee for 6 years, Commercial Savings Bank for 5 years and on April 4 celebrated 22 years with United Savings Bank/United Bank and Trust/Old National Bank. Married to Barb who works in Equalization Department for Lenawee County. Has a daughter Kelly and has 2 granddaughters and 1 problem grandchild. He has a date night each month during the school year with one of his 3 granddaughters. They dress up a bit and go out to dinner and keep connected. The granddaughters keep track and know who's turn it is to go out. Likes to read, lives at Devil's Lake, used to ride a motorcycle.

- Next Week: Doug Bird
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- **Program next week "Opiod epidemic" will be presented by Chuck Gehrke. Chuck would like to know if anyone has a partictular interest to be covered in the program for this subject. Please let him know.**

## • 50/50 Drawing

\$ 8.00 Draw again and then Maura Kane who was not in.

## • Fine Session





**Fine Master Lance Ness**

#### Presidential trivia

George Washington was a surveyor and had ivory false teeth.

Presidents with same last name – George Bush and George Bush; Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson, Franklin Roosevelt (had polio) and Teddy Roosevelt (had asthma and was a Rough Rider) they were cousins

Youngest president – Teddy Roosevelt

Youngest elected president – John Kennedy who was first Catholic.

Nixon resigned and Andrew Johnson was impeached, found not guilty.

### Special Fines and Happy Dollars



Doug Bird – Thanks to Ron Musselman for cutting trees, in advance of the scheduled work day, along Evans path in Kiwanis Park. Doug went out and found that the cutting was done very nicely. Doug only found one tree that remained and took it out.





Mary Tommelin – on way to see son in Detroit

Spencer Ruffner – FRC Robotic competition in Woodhaven, a exciting time starting early Friday morning through the day and again on Saturday, about 15 hours each day.

## • Birthdays and Anniversaries

Anne Walker, Jennifer Farver - Not here today.

## • Program



Ron Wimble introduced the speaker: Bob Utter from Flying Otter Winery located on Chase Road, South and across the river from Wacker Chemical Corporation.





**Bob Utter**

Operates a seasonal business, open April through October. Hours: They have a outdoor tasting facility with a pavilion, attached deck and lawn area. They are open Friday noon to 9 PM with live entertainment from 6-8 with lite food service, Saturday noon to 9pm and Sunday afternoons.

Bob is a private pilot who is building his own plane. The name Flying Otter because he is a pilot and Utter in Swedish means Otter.

It is a small family business. He grows his own grapes on 8 acres with 6,000 vines and purchases some grapes from western Michigan. All his wines are from Michigan grown grapes. He started his vines in 2005 having moved here in 1996. He was a V.P. of Engineering at Tecumseh Products. He grows cold hardy hybrid grapes which some come from Minnesota and Missouri. Grapes are grown in all 50 states.

Wine consumption is increasing. Average consumption is 3.12 gallon per person per year in US. In 2015 the US made more wine than any other country. For the last 10 years wine drinking is up while beer and soda pop are going down. Average consumption for bottled water is 34 gallon per person per year.

Most of his education from books and courses through VESTA. His best seller is a sweet white Brianna and a red/white sweet blend called Sexy Devil.

He uses integrated pest management and does spray. He starts his vines in 2 foot tubes to protect them from deer etc. Sprays with a mixture of water, eggs and garlic to deter critters. Birds are a big problem. Uses reflective tape streamers, an electronic speaker and a propane random cannon to deter birds. Hopes to get a pair of Kesters to also help.

Part of the Pioneer Wine Trail.

## • Future Meeting Responsibilities

Date	Note Taker	Greeter	Greeter	Invocation	Fines	Program Chair	Program Description
<b>April 12th</b>		Ron Publiski		John Barnhart		Chuck Gehrke	Chuck Gehrke -Prescription Drugs
<b>April 19th</b>	Julie LoMonaco	Tom Meyer		JoAnne Potvin			911 phone Mileage
<b>April 26th</b>		Mel Stublie	Joanne Potvin	melody Fanslow			Paula Holtz Economic Development Tecumseh
<b>May 3rd</b>				George Edison			Artonic - Mike Riley (Web page design)





