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Today's Meeting News

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



■ Wendy Brys





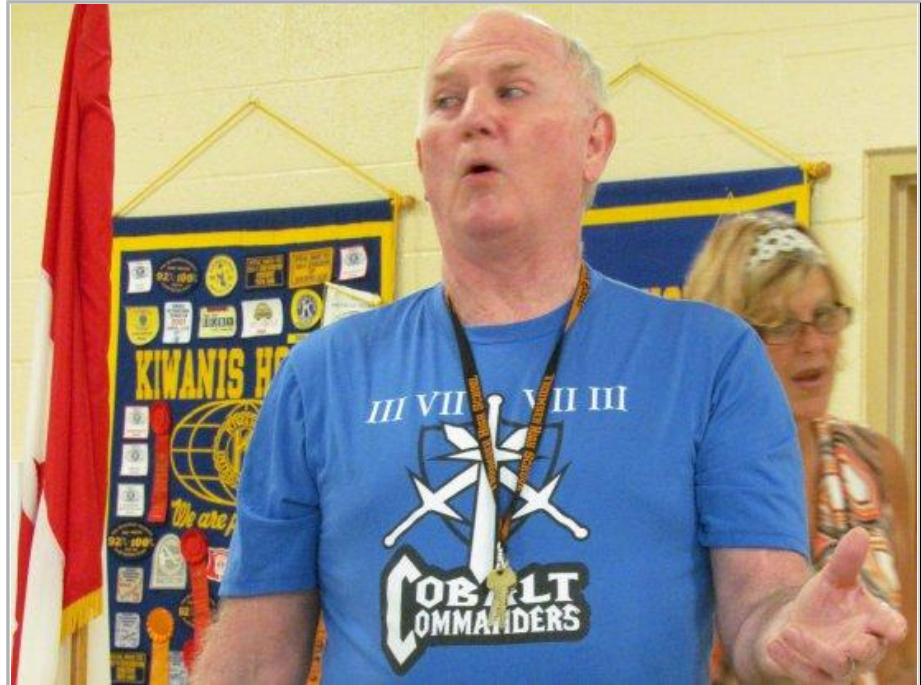
Jeff Seitz

- **Presiding Officer**
 - Mike McArar
- **Reporter**
 - Sharon Hawley
- **Photographer**
 - Spencer Ruffner
- **Publisher**
 - Spencer Ruffner
 - Lana Archer
- **Invocation**
 - Mary Tommelein
- **Song Leader**
 - Carlton Cook
- **Guests**
 - Robotic Team members: Zak Witte, Sara Dancy, Mitch Merrell and Garrett Ruffner and Robotic team adult mentors: Steve Behnke, Al Scheiblich
- **Announcements**
 - **Chamber of Commerce Membter of the Week:** Master Peace Counseling



Lana Archer - Funds raised from Ronald McDonald House collection totaled \$180. A few dollars were added from the Community Service Committee budget and the funds purchased: 384 to go containers; 250 paper bowls; 1000

napkins; 90 individual cereal boxes; 140 individual snacks; 150 plastic forks; 150 plastic spoons and 100 K-cups.



Spencer Ruffner - Chamber of Commerce member of the week is Masterpeace Counseling. It is church based.



Megan Porter - Cambrian Senior Living Annual Cruise Night is Thursday, August 25 from 6-8. All proceeds will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association, Michigan Great Lakes Chapter. Cambrian was voted best Assisted Living facility in Lenawee County.



Ron Publiski - For working with Mary T at the Little League event on Saturday.





Mary Tommelein - Heather Perez at CISTA needs volunteer drivers for the next MIS race.



Mike Mc Aran - attended 50th Anniversary get together for the 1966 Adrian Maples.

• 50/50 Drawing

\$18 Congratulations Wendy Brys.

• Kiwanis Own

Terry Lighthall regaled us with stories from his youth, his family, and his many years serving the community.





Terry has belonged to Kiwanis since January 4, 1979

Born in Adrian and grew up in Onsted. Attended Onsted High where he was treasurer of the Key Club.

His most fun job was being a “cowboy” at Frontier City. His horse was named “Bourbon”. The horse loved attention and girls like horses.

His most challenging job was when he taught at Boysville. Students were 12-18. He discovered he had to be 15 minutes ahead of them. He also taught in Tecumseh for 1 year.

He was in banking for 34 years. 14 years at TLC He served on the Freddie Mac advisory counsel for 2 years.

He attended JCC and Adrian College, where he met his wife Beth. They will be married 44 years in November. They have 3 kids: Mark, Tara and Matt. Mark, lives in Kansas and has twin 3 year-old boys; Tara lives in Georgia and has 1 girl and 1 boy and Matt, lives in Tecumseh and has 2 sons.

He has belonged to Kiwanis since January 4, 1979. Was President in 98-99. Has been secretary and treasurer for 11 years (his 12th year will be his last.) He has been awarded a Hixson and was Kiwanian of the Year twice. He was a high school football referee, coached high school football and baseball. He was on the Tecumseh School Board in 2002.

Thank-you for your service Terry!.

• Fine Session

Mary Tommelien, Finemaster – Thanks Wendy B. for always being prepared and having trivia available.

In what sport does neither the competitor or spectator know the score until it is over? Answer: Boxing

What landmark is constantly moving backwards?

Answer Niagara Falls

Name 2 perennial vegetables.

Answer: Asparagus and rhubarb

What fruit has seeds on the outside?

Answer: Strawberries (Everyone knew this one)

How is the pear put in the "pear" wine bottle?

Answer: It is grown in the bottle.

Name words that begin with "dw".

Answer: dwarf, dwelling and dwindle.

Special questions for Susan Gilmore – Name as many of the 14 punctuations as you can. She named several.

• Birthdays and Anniversaries

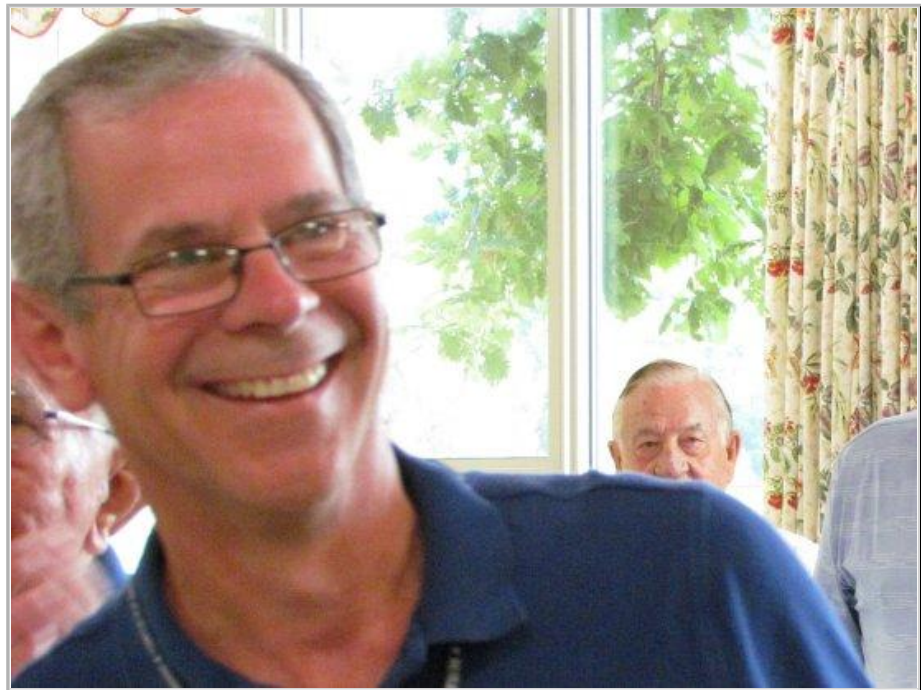


Birthday: Ron Wimple turned 55 on the 29th





Anniversary: Tom and Jeanette Meyer, July 28th



Anniversary: Mel and Barb Stubli, July 29.

We sang to all !!!

• Program

Our own Spencer Ruffner with the Tecumseh High Robotics team and their mentors.





Spencer Ruffner tells it how it is...

There are 15-20 members on the high school team and on the middle school team. The high school students assist the middle school students. Funding is provided through the school, grants and donations from outside the school, including Kiwanis Club of Tecumseh. There are no robotics classes offered at the school. It costs \$1,500 - \$2,000 to build and customize a machine. A controller cost \$500.

Members viewed a video of competition of how “robot” aimed balls at opposing team castle.



This is the teams competition robot for the 2016 featured in the video.

Video was from the Waterford competition site. The “robot” is designed and developed to successfully conquer the barriers at multiple “battles” with other teams; during one weekend of competition the team competed in 15 “battles. The prototype was made to endure.



Robotics teams members (from left to right): Garrett Ruffner, Sara Dancy, Zak Witte and Mitch Merrell

Garrett: Started as unskilled and did a lot of drilling to become skilled. He is pursuing a career in mechanical engineering.

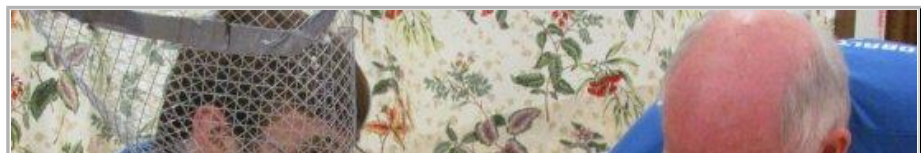
Sara: Knew “nothing” about using tools and is now confident. She wants to go into environmental engineering. There are 2 and sometimes 3 female team members.

Zak: Is learning programming.

Mitch: Has been with the robotics team for 5 years. He started by watching a competition and joined the team the next year. He has learned shop, electronics and programming. It is now leading to his choice of a career in programming.

Steve: Commented how valuable the team is for preparing for careers. He is a product development engineer and found it difficult to NOT do the work.

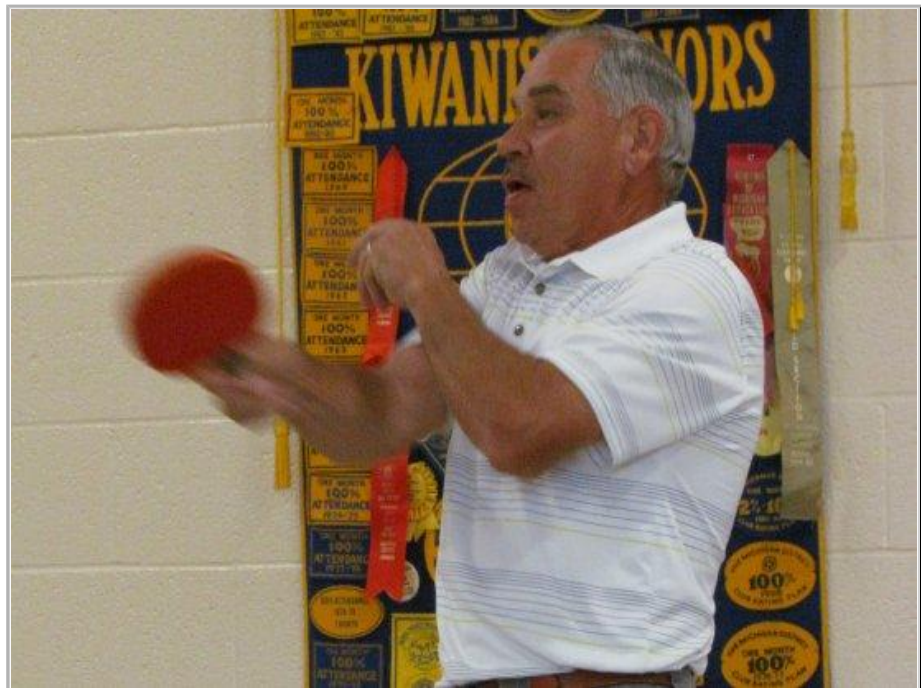
Al: The mentor who was the process double checker.





Mitch and Spencer prepare to fire ping-pong balls at Ron

Ron Publiski was in a ping pong competition with a robot. Score: Ron 4 and Robot 4, That's a 500 average Ron.



Ron gives it his all against the killer robot...

The Tecumseh Robotics team was 2nd of 42 teams this past year at competition in Waterford. Each match lasts 2 and ½ minutes. Goal is to go to State competition.

Each year teams are given a new challenge and new design in January. They have 6 weeks to build the robot and then the robot sealed to go to competition and they cannot do any additional work or

adjustments. Can use parts from previous year machines. The Modem is critical and the team develops problem solving skills. Students design the T-shirts, bumper system and machine

This year's machine was built to be tight and durable. They also built practice barriers so they were sure the machine would be successful in competition.

The number one goal is to work safely.

There are also robotics teams at the LISD, Adrian High and Hudson High.

• Future Meeting Responsibilities

Date	Note Taker	Greeters	Greeters	Invocation	Fines	Program Chair	Program Description
August 9		Doug Bird	Wendy Brys	Carlton Cook	Jeff Seitz	Jack Beach	Bill Ross
August 16	Susan Gilmore	JoAnne Potvin	Melody Fanslau	Jerry Wolf		Brian Callaghan	
August 23				George Eidson	Megan Porter		
August 30		John Barnhart		John Barnhart	Dan Meikle		
September 6				Cathi King			
September 13				Chuck Gehrke			
September 20				JoAnne Potvin			
September 27				Susan Gilmore			
October 4				Robert Stross			



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