Today’s Program…

Dale Leslie introduced today’s speaker Dr. Mary Ann Watson, who is Professor of Electronic Media and Film Studies at Eastern Michigan University. Dr. Watson received her Ph.D. at The University of Michigan and has been on the faculty at EMU for over 30 years where she is said to be an “encyclopedia of media history.” Watson has authored several books and scholarly magazine articles; and news organizations such as CNN, NPR and BBC Radio often solicit her commentary on media issues.

Dr. Watson discussed the early days of TV (e.g. 50s and 60s) in the US and noted how shows like Ed Sullivan (Toast of the Town) represented a metaphor for democracy in America. In a sense it served as a “social glue” that made the “system” work by getting people to talk to each other about what was going on in the world. There was something for everyone among the groups (e.g. families) that gathered to watch, and diversity was at the heart of the program. The time was referred to as the “antenna era” (pre-cable) when almost everyone watched the same programs. There could be over 50 million people watching the same program; whereas now a major viewing for a particular show may be 2 million. TV also became a catalyst for social change. For example, Mary Tyler Moore changed the definition of what it meant to be a single woman over 30. Only the baby boomers have a significant commonality with the “antenna era.” An interesting short video showing brief segments of some of the older TV programs was presented.

Dr. Watson noted that American history and broadcast history are greatly intertwined and noted some key political events and the Kennedy assassination as examples. TV became a major validation of historical events. Today, with so many channel offerings, hardly anyone watches the same programs as their friends or neighbors. She noted people over 65 are almost the only ones who watch the evening news—“you can tell by the commercials.”

Next Week’s Program…


Upcoming Programs…

- July 27—50th Anniversary of Radrick Farms Golf Course. Speaker: Jim Irwin, author. Introduction by a Kiwanian to be named.

Meetings…

The following committees meet next Monday: SMOC, Membership, and Honorary Membership.
Announcements…

- **President John** went over birthdays for July and we sang the song. He also noted that:
  - Future board meetings will be held at the downtown site (Ned’s Place) from now on.
  - An additional $7,000 was approved for remodeling of the “lower level”
  - Kiwanian Sue Petrisin of East Lansing is the first female to serve as an International President of any major service club on the planet, following her recent election in Indianapolis.
  - Eloise Lavin is helping to redo the Kiwanis books and will give a full report to the Board in August.

- **Deb Jones** reminded us, along with **Max Ziegler** who noted it earlier, of the Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels Golf outing Monday July 20 at 9 a.m. at Stonebridge Golf Club.

- **Max Ziegler** reported on the success of the picnic Sunday and thanked all those who helped in supporting this fun event. About 75-80 people attended. Afterwards, meals were taken to 10-12 Kiwanian shut-ins not able to attend. Thanks Max!

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**Guests at our Club…** Steve Hiller introduced our guests: Bill Heller (prospective member), guest of John Schenk; Tami Castillo, guest of Andrea Kotch Duda.
Fines:
None reported, but we collected $13.91 so somebody paid.

Happy Dollars:
Bob Barden for the birth of his granddaughter Rose Barden. Griff Dick, for the success of his daughter as a trial lawyer. Ellen Webb, for her 10-day cruise with family to Alaska. Larry French for a reunion with old friends/classmates. Chris Winkler noted that his son-in-law’s family in post-earthquake Nepal had settled back into their house in the city. Jane Talcott for the ongoing success of camp placement efforts. John Dahl was happy to correct some of Claire’s earlier estimates of distances. Garry Donner for his success in dealing with a humidifier warranty. Dick Smit for a great voyage up the coast of Norway with family as a 50th anniversary celebration. Deb Jones was happy. Al Engerer for his ability to borrow money from a guest to provide a happy dollar.

Stuff You Should Know...

Hospitality News:
Claire Dahl reported that: Todd Jones’ wife Peggy passed away this week (memorial donations to “warm the children”); Don McEwen is in the hospital (St. Jo) for dizziness; John McKeown will have back surgery in 2 weeks; Clarence Dukes visited Simon Eaglin after the club picnic (he is doing well).

Social Activities:
- Eliminate Golf Outing and Celebratory Dinner: Thurs, July 23, Stonebridge Country Club. Dinner-only tickets are $40 each. Contact Ron Gardner or Kathy Wilder to be an event sponsor, to sign up to golf, or to purchase dinner tickets.
- Tiger Trip: Sat, Aug 8 vs Boston Red Sox. Family and friends welcome. Contact Fred Sanchez.

Interclubs:
Dale Leslie is recruiting for an interclub at Ann Arbor Western on August 11th in celebration of Colonel Russ’ 100th birthday.

Attendance Today: 62

Last Week’s Sale Revenue:
KCD: $ 6,438
KCW: 6,392
eBay: 864
Total: $13,693

Vouchers: No report received this week.

Today’s Fines: $13.91

Today’s Happy Dollars: $105
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**Planning Calendar**

**March**
- Spring Divisional

**May**
- Club Annual Meeting Elections
- Attendance Awards

**June/July**
- International Convention
- Club Family Picnic

**August**
- District Convention

**September**
- Installation of Officers & Directors
- Legion of Honor Awards

**December**
- Christmas Sale
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing
- Club Christmas Party
Our Sponsored Programs in Service to Youth:

- Kiwanis K-Kids
- Kiwanis Builders Club
- Huron High School
- Pioneer High School
- U of M Circle K
- CKI
- WISD Aktion Club

Evans Koukios took a few pictures at the picnic... Well, more than a few. You can see them by clicking this link. Here are a few samples:

Thanks for the picnic pics Evans!

Other News...

New Song Kiwanis Friends:

Dale Leslie wanted to create a song for our club and prevailed upon David Vaughn (left), a very talented pianist and singer, to arrange a tune based on California Here I Come. Once Dale learned member Luke Panning (right) was a musician, he invited Luke to collaborate, too. Luke met with David and they put together a melody, and Luke wrote lyrics that apply to our club. The song Kiwanis Friends debuted at our Monday meeting. It is designed to be sung for guests when we have big days.

Kiwanis Friends
Tune adapted from "California Here I Come" by Panning & Vaughn

Contributions Received, $95,495
Contributions Still Needed, $4,505
Progress Toward Our Club's Eliminate Goal: $100,000 by 9/30/2015

Make a contribution today. Contact Past President Ron Gardner for information on how to help.

Data as of May 31, 2015
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Other Links:
• Michigan District Kiwanis
• Kiwanis International
• U of M Circle K
Meets 7pm Thursdays at UM Union or League (Check Calendar on Website)
• Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti
Meets Noon Wednesdays at EMU Student Center
• Ann Arbor Western
Meets Noon Tuesdays at Quarter Bistro
• Kiwanis of Ann Arbor - Morning Edition
Meets 8:30am Wednesdays at Guy Hollerin’s