



KIWANIS CLUB OF HILSDALE NEWS FROM IN AND AROUND THE CLUB September 30, 2021

Greetings! As your new Membership Committee Chairman, I want to highlight the amazing activities that our club brings to our community. I can't do that without bragging about our members who give so much of their time to make this happen!

Our club is special! The past year was rough! With COVID, we scrambled to find a place to have our meetings.

When President Doug French took office a year ago, I'm sure he didn't see the challenges coming at him.

Jackie, our Division Lt. Governor, had the same challenges meeting with the other clubs in the Division.

Treasurer, Sue Caulkins, did a fantastic job of managing a changing budget.

And the dictionary Project! Because of COVID, dictionaries were delivered to the front offices rather than to the rooms.



The Salvation Army Bell Ringing! The need was there and we were there to meet it!



How about our Christmas Tree Project at Bud and Marty's Spruce Acres!



Wes Wickham is doing much to enhance Cold Springs Park. Everyone will love it!



Our Fishing Derby was cancelled in 2020, but it was a success in 2021.



Our patriots planted and harvested the flags on those special days!



Incoming President Doug Ingles and the Board of Directors are committed to our club having a great year. We learned a lot from the challenges of last year. We lost some members, but others have stepped in and are carrying their legacies forward.

Here are some changes for October as we start the new year:

*We have a new meeting location at the Hillsdale Township Hall located at the corner of Lake Wilson and Bacon. Meeting days will be different.

*Oct. 5 at noon, will be installation of officers,

*Oct. 12 at noon will be a BOD meeting – anybody can come.

*Oct. 19 will be a regular noon meeting.

*Oct. 28, Thurs., 5:30-7:30 will be a social meeting at Johnny T's. Spouses and guests are welcome. Eat if you choose or just have fun!

As we enter this year, we'll be looking for new members. Realizing the challenges of the past year and knowing that some things have changed in our community, we must grow with the times. Fresh ideas will be key to our growth and service.

We must also recognize the needs of our current members. We all came to Kiwanis with ideas and expectations of how we could apply our talents and enjoy ourselves at the same time. We must make sure we are still doing that. Please let me know your thoughts.

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