



## PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

Newsletter for April 18, 2020



## KIWANIS STRONG

As the Covid-19 virus took our Country by storm in March and the Governor issued stay-at-home orders, closed down restaurants, gyms, salons, and all non essential businesses; we have all had to learn a new world of existence. Many have lost their jobs and are having trouble just feeding their families. Social distancing is a new word in our every day vocabulary now. It's down-right sad, but together we will get through this.

As of right now, it is not known how much longer this will last. When the Governor gives the thumbs up that groups of ten or more can meet again, safely, and we are able to comply with the "rules" set forth, then we will be able to do so, and open up our building to others as well.

During this time of hardship if you or another member you know of, needs anything and cannot get out, please get in touch with me, and I will make sure you get what you need via a porch drop, no face to face contact. Cathy Dietz, 592-6471 or email [fluffy0601@att.net](mailto:fluffy0601@att.net).

Also, we want to thank Al for tending to the Civic Center during this time of shutdown. He continues to take of the building, parking lot, and grounds as usual.



**At our meeting on March 11th, we had a wonderful speaker, Demetrius Falconer from the Summit Metro Parks. She had a great slide show and gave us so much information that we never knew. We had a lot of good questions and she had a lot of good answers.**



## **HAPPY EASTER**

**Even though we were not able to have our annual Easter egg hunt, I wanted to share this wonderful story. Our usual Easter bunny, member Sue Fassoles, donned the bunny suit and visited the Maplewood Assisted Living facility with her sister. They went around the outside of the building from window to window and the inside staff helped the residents to the windows from their rooms or from the common areas. The staff took lots of pictures for the families, who, of course cannot enter the building right now. The residents loved it and it was such a kind thing to do. Thank you Sue!**

### **BIRTHDAYS:**

04/20 Vicki Kepnes  
04/30 Steve Hess

### **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

John Schermesser - 39 years  
Glen Sheets - 25 years

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

04/01 Don & Marie Reilly  
04/03 Paul & Betty Schuckert  
04/11 Bob & Rebecca Goff  
04/15 Debbie & Mike Rubino

### **KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:**

Please keep the following Kiwanians in special thought and prayer for health issues:

Charlie Kepnes

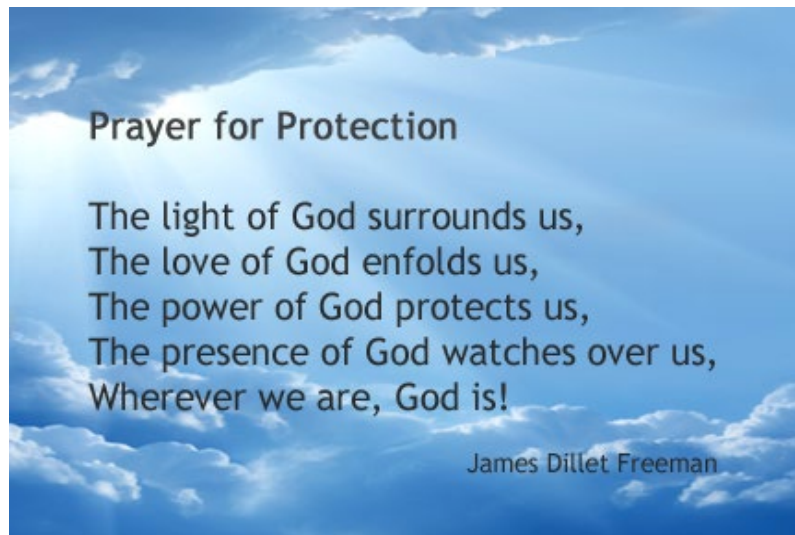
If you know of any Kiwanis members that are in need of prayer, please let me know. We have not met in quite a while and I may be missing information.

I am taking the calendar of events down for the time being as all of our events are on hold for now. When we get back to meeting, we will certainly resolve what we will still have time to do, and what we will have re-schedule, and what we will have to postpone all-together.

The Scott Shookman Scholarship Program for the spring scholarships for Manchester and Coventry graduates is in the works right now. The scholarships will be awarded for the 2020 graduates, but the dinner will most likely have to wait until a later date.

**Elections for Officers and Board of Directors are due to be held in May, so those will be postponed until we meet again as well.**

**As you can see, we will have quite a bit of work to do, once we are able to meet again!**



#### **ALL ABOUT PLK...**

**Our club meets every Wednesday. You can join us at 6:30 pm for dinner, which is catered by Lukity's Restaurant, a full meal for just \$10.00, or you can attend any meeting which begins at 7:00 pm. We'd love to have you.**

**We meet at the Civic Center, located at 725 Portage Lakes Drive, Akron, OH 44319. Telephone number (330) 644-8967.**

**Our website is: [www.plkiwanis.org](http://www.plkiwanis.org) and please check out our facebook page too under Portage Lakes Kiwanis.**

#### **KIWANIS MISSION STATEMENT**

**Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.**

