



PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

Newsletter for August 24, 2020



We have started our "Blessings in a Backpack Program" for the 2020-2021 school year. Please bring your donations to the Kiwanis Civic Center at 725 Portage Lakes Drive every other Wednesday starting September 2nd from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. For food donations: Please bring easy to serve foods such as: single serve mac & cheese, spaghetti o's (and similar items) with pop top lids, raisins, fruit snacks, peanut butter, crackers, fruit cups, applesauce, etc. Anything that is easy for a child to open, fix, and eat.

School supplies of any kind like notebook paper, pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, glue sticks, and markers. Don't forget the backpacks! This year with Covid-19 we are also collecting sanitizer, wipes, kleenex, and child size masks. Cash donations are fine too and the shopping will be done for you.

We thank each one of you for your help with our special project this year.



The Acme Fresh Market Community Cash Back Program has begun and will run from August 6th thru December 26th. Please save your receipts and bring them in. This is a really easy way for our club to earn money, and with no fund raisers this year, we need it! Please give your receipts to Dana Carruthers.



Zoom meetings have started and are being conducted on the Wednesdays that we are not meeting at the Civic Center. You should be receiving instructions on when and how to connect to these meetings via email. Tim Peterson is co-ordinating these events. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Tim.

BIRTHDAYS:

**08/02 Juanita Gehm
08/03 Cass Freeman
08/05 Phil Pinnow
08/06 Paul Schuckert
08/12 Dale Dietz
08/16 Stanley Vaughan
08/30 Sue Fassoles
08/30 Bricey Bayonnet**

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:

**Rosanne Edwardson - 32 years
Charlie Kepnes - 27 years
Esther Cole - 9 years
Ben Pearson - 1 year
Jim Welton - 1 year
Stanley Vaughan - 1 year**

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

**08/02 Sue & John Fassoles
08/04 Barry & Nancy Terjesen
08/07 Jeff & Denise Goodwin
08/08 Glen & Georgia Sheets
08/10 Phil & Judy Pinnow
08/10 Jill & William Lanzinger
08/16 Chuck & Betty Seeley
08/23 Rosanne & Terry Edwardson**

KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:

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

Charlie Kepnes

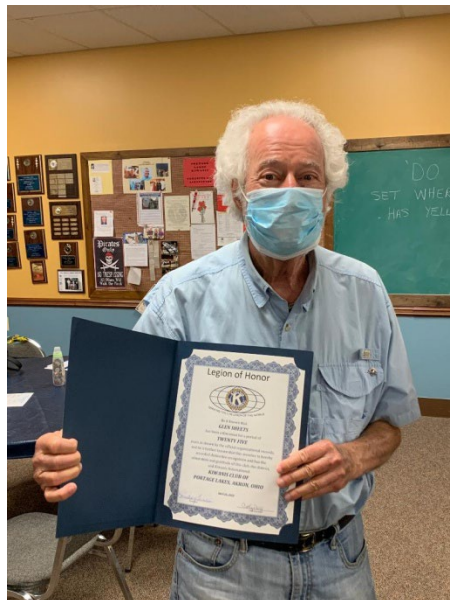
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Glen Sheets

If you know of any Kiwanis members that are in need of prayer, please let me know. I will be happy to add them to our prayer list.



Thank you to Evan Alford grandson of Pam Parker who came in and power washed the Civic Center for some volunteer hours. Thanks Evan, it looks wonderful, you did a great job!



Congratulations to Mr. Glen Sheets who has earned his 25 year Legion of Honor Award. We appreciate the dedication and commitment to your many years of service to the Portage Lakes Kiwanis and our community. What an awesome achievement.



Every year the Shookman family participates in the Pelotonia bike ride to raise funds for cancer research through the Ohio State University Cancer Center. The name of their team is 'Spreading Scott's Smile' and this is to honor Becky's husband Scott who passed away in 2015. Scott was a long time PLK member and is dearly missed by all of us who knew him. The Shookman family has raised thousands of dollars through this program and we thank them for their efforts. Their part is hard, our part is easy...

PLEASE HELP...go to www.yourpelotonia.org and click on donate, under last name type in Shookman and hit search. Becky, Kim, and Sara's name will come up and you can click on any one of their names to donate! See how easy. Becky's team did their ride a few weeks ago, but it is not too late to donate. Please help if you are able, this is a wonderful way for us to remember and honor our friend Scott. Thank you.



Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, our annual Rose Day sale for 2020 is cancelled. We tried every way we could to come up with a way to make it happen and we just could not do it safely and efficiently. We will look forward to next year.



Please help with our PLK food drive! Please bring in non-perishable family foods. There will be three collection dates: Wednesday September 30th from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm, Saturday October 3rd from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, and Saturday October 10th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. We will collect as much food as we can and distribute it to three different food pantries; BACM, Barberton Area Community Ministries, Lockwood Community Church, and Green Good Neighbors. Many people are struggling just to feed their families with everything going on right now. Please help if you are able.

ALL ABOUT PLK...

Our club meets the first and third Wednesday of the month. You can join us at 6:30 pm for dinner, which is catered by Lukity's Restaurant, a full meal for just \$12.00, 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 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.

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