



## PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

Newsletter for July 21, 2019



The Portage Lakes Kiwanis Pirate Days are here...

**July 26th - The Buccaneer Bash will be held at Pick's at PLX**

**Come on over to Picks from 6:00 pm to midnight for adult Pirate fun!**

**July 27th - Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast will be held at the Civic Center**

**Come to the Civic Center for the best breakfast in town 7:00 - 11:00 am !**

**July 27th - Pirate Day for Kids will be held at Portage Lakes State Park**

**All sorts of family pirate fun from 11:00am - 3:00 pm, don't miss out!**

So much fun has been planned for this entire Pirate weekend by our Pirate committee. Please come out and support the Pirates hard work.



**THE PIRATE DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST WILL BE HELD AT THE CIVIC CENTER ON SATURDAY, JULY 27TH, FROM 7:00 AM TO 11:00 AM.**

9TH ANNUAL  
PORTAGE LAKES AND  
KIWANIS  
PIRATE DAYS



SATURDAY JULY 27TH 11:00 AM 3:00 PM  
FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT FOR EVERYONE AT  
PORTAGE LAKES STATE PARK SWIM BEACH!

FREE PONTOON RIDES FOR KIDS,  
PIRATE SWASHBUCKLING ACTS, KIDS COSTUME  
CONTEST, VENDORS AND  
ACTIVITIES AT THE BEACHFRONT AND MORE!

FRIDAY JULY 26TH 6:00 PM UNTIL 12:00 PM

BUCCANEERS BASH!

ADULT FUN AT PICKS!

ALEX BEVAN SING'N SONGS OF THE SEA!

BEST BUCCANEER AND WENCH CONTEST,  
KIWANIS BASKET RAFFLES FOR CHARITY,  
PIRATE GAMES, PICKS PIRATE DRINK SPECIALS.

WWW.PLKIWANIS.ORG AND NOW ON FACEBOOK



**Beverage Express**





Jeff O'Brien the Executive Director from Akron First Tee came to speak to us on Wednesday July 19th. He gave us an overview of the program they run at their home golf course Mud Run, for kids aged 4-17. The program promotes character, values, and healthy choices through the game of golf. If you'd like to learn more information about this very worthwhile non-profit; their website is [www.thefirstteeakron.org](http://www.thefirstteeakron.org). Golf can be quite an expensive sport, and in order to help all of the kids that join their program; First Tee takes in donations and has a "pro" shop where the kids can come in and choose anything from clubs to shoes to balls. **In order to help them out, if you have any golf equipment at home that you no longer use, please bring it to the Civic Center so we can donate the items to the Akron First Tee program. This can be clubs, bags, shoes, balls, carts, tees, even clothing. Any donation will help and will be much appreciated.**

#### **KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:**

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

Charlie Kepnes  
Chuck Seeley  
Betty Seeley  
Phil Pinnow  
John Hercules

Please keep the Kepnes family in thought and prayer as they are grieving the loss of their granddaughter Melissa. Melissa is the daughter of Chuck and Julie Kepnes and granddaughter of our members Charlie and Vicki Kepnes and Paul Schuckert and his wife Betty.

The Kiwanis Ohio District Convention will be held August 9 - 11 in Huron Ohio at the Sawmill Creek Resort & Conference Center. There is a schedule full of exhibits, workshops, and fun. If you are interested in attending please let me know as soon as possible so we can get you registered. Sorry for the late notice, I just received the information.

#### **BIRTHDAYS:**

07/24 Tim Peterson  
07/25 Bob Kansa

#### **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

Connie Nagy - 21 years  
Joe Reinmann - 20 years  
John Hercules - 5 years  
Chris Hofmann - 1 year  
Steve Hess - 1 year

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

07/11 Sam & Cyndi Reynolds  
07/24 Jon & Cass Freeman

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS/SPECIAL EVENTS:**

>July 26 - Buccaneer Bash - Pick's  
>July 27 - Pirate Day - Portage Lakes State Park  
>July 27 - Pancake Breakfast - Civic Center  
>July 31 - Board Meeting

#### **AND A BIT LATER DOWN THE ROAD:**

>Aug 1 thru Aug 30 - Purple Martin Boat Rides  
>Aug 9-11 Ohio District Convention/Huron, OH  
>Sept 7 - Adult Disability Picnic / Civic Center  
>Sept 11 - Fish Fry at Civic Center  
>Sept 17 - Division 16 Picnic in Wooster  
>Sept 18 - Annual Kiwanis Tower Dinner 6:00 pm  
>Oct 5 - Rose Day delivery





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 of course to honor Becky's husband Scott who passed away in 2015. Scott is dearly missed by all of us as well. 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](http://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. Their ride is coming up the first weekend in August. Good luck and thank you for what you do.**

#### **KIWANIS - WEST AKRON**

Will have a family and friends get together with a tour of the Portage Lakes on the Portage Princess on Friday evening, August 9th, from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. The cost is \$17.00 with an optional dinner following. Docking will be at the Upper Deck. Contact Mike Marks for reservations at [tripm@yahoo.com](mailto:tripm@yahoo.com) or (330) 475-9413

#### **MAGIC CITY KIWANIS**

Will hold their annual YEAR END Golf Outing on Friday, September 6th at the Barberton Brookside Club in Norton. Golfer check in begins at 8:00 am. Cost is \$95.00 per golfer and includes golf, cart, beverages, lunch and dinner. Please contact Denny Liddle at (330) 687-7645 if interested.

#### **THANK YOU...**

Many thanks to those that came out to volunteer on Saturday 07/20 to help out at the Dragon on the Lakes Festival. It was an extremely hot day and your efforts were appreciated.



See that guy in the front? This will be our own Larry Hunter! He is just making all kinds of headlines. The latest being...Larry will be the Grand Parade Marshall for Senior Day at the Ohio State Fair. Another trip to Columbus for Larry! This is so exciting, very happy for you, so much fun.

#### **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.**

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