



## **PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR**

Newsletter for May 18, 2019



**The Portage Lakes Kiwanis Pirate Days are coming soon...**

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

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

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

**So much fun has been planned for this entire Pirate weekend. If you would like help out, volunteer, and join in the fun, please contact Dana Roderick, Pirate chair, at [d1687@hotmail.com](mailto:d1687@hotmail.com).**

### **BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK:**

**Just a reminder that our Blessings in a Backpack program is ongoing until the school year ends in June. Please continue to bring in backpacks and easy to open foods that can be heated quickly or can be opened and eaten directly out of the package or container.**

### **SPEAKER...**

**We will have a speaker at the June 19th meeting; Morgan Haas from Muggswigz Coffee & Tea Company. She will speak with us about all sorts of neat things coffee related, it will be a fun evening!**

**SPEAKER...**

Jeff O'Brien from First Tee Akron will be coming in to speak with us at our July 17th meeting about their youth development program with golfing in our area. They do a ton of excellent programs for different areas around town. Plan on coming to hear Jeff speak.

**KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:**

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

Charlie Kepnes

Chuck Seeley

Betty Seeley

Phil Pinnow

**BIRTHDAYS:**

05/01 Sam Reynolds

05/17 Chuck Seeley

05/22 Esther Cole

05/27 Dr. James Robinson

05/31 Tom Burge

**CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

Russ Freiss - 44 years

Jim Davis - 28 years

Al Grzeschik - 23 years

Paul Schuckert - 16 years

Dale Dietz - 8 years

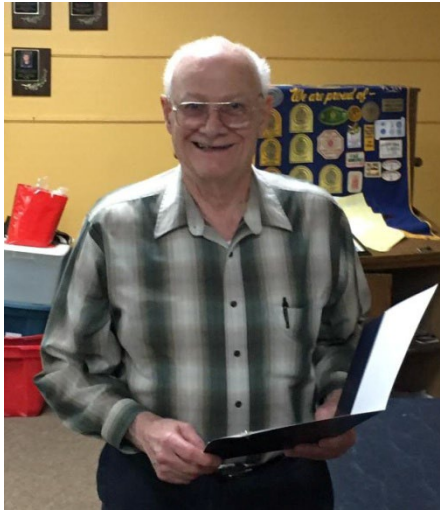
Dana Roderick - 8 years

Tom Nay - 3 years

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

05/23 Melissa & Tim Millmier

# Congratulations!



**Congratulations to Russ Friess, who received his 40 year Legion of Honor Award. Russ has actually been a member of our Kiwanis club for 44 years now, but was accidentally overlooked back in 2015 for his 40 year service pin. Sorry Russ...**



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

**Volunteers are needed for this event, if you can help, please contact Melissa Millmier, pancake breakfast chair, at [melissamillmier@kw.com](mailto:melissamillmier@kw.com)**

## **ANNUAL ELECTIONS...**

**Elections for Officers and Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday May 29th. Please plan to attend that meeting to vote. If you would like to learn about a vacant position, please contact President Freeman at [jfreeman311@gmail.com](mailto:jfreeman311@gmail.com)**



The Kiwanis Car Show is planned for Saturday, June 22, 2019. Jeff Goodwin is the chair for this event and would like some new committee members. He is looking for some new ideas to make the event even bigger and better. If interested, please get in touch with Jeff .

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

### **CAMP MANITOC CLEAN UP DAY...**

This is a District 16 sponsored event that will be held on Saturday, June 1st out at Camp Manitoc in Peninsula. It is a clean up camp day that runs from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm, but you do not have to volunteer the entire time. Come and help out even if you just have a few hours, every little bit helps get the Boy Scout Camp ready for summer.

### **AKRON KIDSFEST**



The Akron Kidsfest is a partnership with the Akron Children's Museum, Lock 3, and the City of Akron. It is a FREE childrens festival designed to bring kids, teens, and families from across our community to the heart of Akron to grow, inspire, and motivate young minds through Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics (STEAM)related play.

Volunteers are needed for the festival, which will be held on June 15th. You can contact Ben Tegel to get yourself signed up or go directly onto the website and choose your time and sign up. Ben's phone number is (330) 237-1031, and the volunteer website is:

<https://app.givegauge.com/opportunity/akron-kidfest-145#.XK6VoU-MEok.email>

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

- >May 21 - Division 16 Meeting at 7:00 pm
- >May 22 - Scholarship Dinner @ Civic Center
- >May 29 - Elections & Board Meeting
- >June 1 - Camp Manitoc Clean up 8am - 2pm
- >June 14 - Rubber Ducks Baseball Night
- >June 19 - Speaker Morgan Haas / Muggswigz
- >June 22 - PLK Kiwanis Car Show
- >June 22 - Buckeye Martinfest / Antique Boat Show
- >June 26 - Board Meeting

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

- >July 6 - Portage Lakes Fireworks & Boat Parade
- >July 17 - Speaker-Jeff O'Brien/First Tee Akron
- >July 20 - Dragons on the Lake Festival
- >July 26 - Buccaneer Bash - Pick's
- >July 27 - Pirate Day - Portage Lakes State Park
- >July 27 - Pancake Breakfast - Civic Center
- >Aug 1 thru Aug 30 - Purple Martin Boat Rides
- >Sept 7 - Adult Disability Picnic / Civic Center

### **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.

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### **KIWANIS MISSION STATEMENT**

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