



PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

Newsletter for May 5, 2019

SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

Two graduating seniors from both Coventry and Manchester High Schools have been chosen to be the recipient of the 2019 PLK Scott Shookman Memorial Scholarship. The awards will be presented at our annual Scholarship Dinner to be held at the Civic Center on Wednesday May 22nd. This is a really BIG deal, so please plan on attending this dinner to honor these young college bound adults and this Kiwanis signature program. If you turned in your reservation at a Kiwanis meeting, great thank you, if not, please email Al Grzeschik at al5198@hotmail.com or leave a message at the Civic Center at 644-4425. Dinner will be catered by Lukity's.

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.

KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:

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

Charlie Kepnes
Frank Smith
Betty Seeley

Also, please keep Tom Burge and Polly Price in your thoughts and prayers as well; Polly's mother has passed away.

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



Friday, June 14, 2019 will be the date of our annual Kiwanis Rubber Ducks game. Tickets will be \$8.00 and this will be a fireworks display night. We will be defeating the Portland Sea Dogs that night. Al will be taking ticket orders as usual. This is always a fun family night out and is usually a sellout. Put the date on your calendar! **PLEASE GET YOUR RESERVATION TURNED IN TO AL. THE CUT-OFF DATE WILL BE MAY 16, 2019, THAT IS THE DATE AL WILL HAVE TO TURN IN THE TICKET ORDER. THANK YOU.**



**It is nice to start welcoming home some of our snow birds !!
Good to see them returning to our meetings.**



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



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 .

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

Perfect Attendance!



APRIL PERFECT ATTENDANCE...

**Cathy Dietz
Dale Dietz
Bob Fowler
Jon Freeman
Al Grzeschik
John Hercules
Larry Hunter
Rosanne Edwardson
Dr. Phil Pinnow
Dana Roderick**

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!

WEST AKRON KIWANIS -

On Saturday May 11th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm the West Akron Kiwanis will hold their annual Flapjacks & Flowers Event. This is at the Westminster Church, 1250 West Exchange Street, and tickets are \$7.00 for the Pancake Breakfast. You will be able to buy flowers and there is a silent auction too. Come out and join them in this very worthwhile event.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/SPECIAL EVENTS:

- >May 22 - Scholarship Dinner**
- >May 29 - Elections & Board Meeting**
- >June 14 - Rubber Ducks Baseball Night**
- >June 19 - Speaker Morgan Haas / Muggswigz**
- >June 22 - PLK Kiwanis Car Show**
- >June 22 - Buckeye Martifest / Antique Boat Show**
- >June 26 - Board Meeting**

AND A BIT LATER DOWN THE ROAD:

- >July 6 - Portage Lakes Fireworks & Boat Parade**
- >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 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.