



PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

Newsletter for November 21, 2021

SANTA DELIVERY 2021

URGENT URGENT URGENT...

We have one route left that needs a team captain. The route remaining is a shorter one and we will assist with the routing if needed. We need someone that has been out on Christmas Eve before and knows the ropes. If you can fill this urgent need please contact Connie or Al as soon as possible.

We could also use a few more volunteers to assist on routes, help out at the Civic Center the week of December 12th, and work at the Civic Center on Christmas Eve. If you are available to help, please contact Al or Connie.

Please note this year the package drop off locations will be the Coventry Fire Department and the New Franklin Fire Department opening on Monday, December 6, 2021 from 8am to 8pm and closing at 5pm on Sunday December 19, 2021. The Kiwanis Civic Center will be open beginning Monday, December 12, 2021 from 10am to 8pm and closing at 5pm on Monday, December 20, 2021.



A shout out to Connie and Stan Vaughan for decorating the Civic Center for Christmas. It looks fantastic and your efforts are appreciated. The decorations will get us all in the holiday spirit.



SHOE DRIVE SHOE DRIVE SHOE DRIVE SHOE DRIVE

Stan and Connie Vaughan's granddaughter is a member of the Green High School Air Force ROTC. As a service project and fund-raiser they are collecting outdated, outgrown, and gently worn shoes to clean and repair, then those shoes will be sent to impoverished countries. They will take any shoe...flip flops, tennis shoes, baby shoes, boots, and even sports cleats. The monies earned will be used for drill competitions and training. You can drop your donation off at Green High School any school day, or you can bring them to the Civic Center any Wednesday from 6 to 8pm. You can also contact Connie Vaughan at dreamcricket@aol.com to arrange a pick up. Thank you.

WOMEN'S NIGHT IN - ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

On Friday evening, November 19th, twenty four women gathered at the Civic Center for a holiday celebration. We enjoyed dinner, made some crafty Christmas items, played games, and had a rousing ornament exchange. Most of all we enjoyed each other's company and fellowship. It was so nice to see Kiwanians, Kiwanian spouses, and special friends for this very fun night. Many thanks to Cathy, Dana, and Melissa for making the evening possible. We will definitely do this again next year.



Please remember there is no meeting at the Civic Center on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 due to the Thanksgiving holiday. We hope you enjoy your Thanksgiving celebrations with family and friends. We all have so much to be grateful and thankful for.



On Sunday, December 5th, Picks at PLX will be hosting the Coventry Township Christmas Tree Lighting. The event is from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Our Kiwanis club will have a table at this event. We will be collecting TOYS for the disadvantaged in the community and will also 'fill a sleigh' with FOOD to support our Blessings in a Backpack program. If you are able to attend, please come by with a toy and some food. If you can help volunteer at our table, please let Al know. This will be a fun holiday event.

BIRTHDAYS:

11/01 Jeff Goodwin
11/11 Betty Freiss
11/14 Becky Shookman
11/15 John Hercules
11/20 Ben Pearson

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:

Betty Freiss - 9 years
Denise Goodwin - 7 years
Rosemarie Ripple - 2 years

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

None

KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:

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

**Charlie Kepnes
Joyce Longworth
Betty Seeley**

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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS / CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- >November 24 - No meeting! Happy Thanksgiving
- >December 1 - Regular meeting and Board meeting
- >December 5 - Picks/PLX Christmas Event 4-7 pm
- >December 24 - Christmas Eve Santa Delivery
- >December 31 - New Year's Eve Party at Civic Center

ALL ABOUT PLK...

Our club is currently meeting every Wednesday. 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.

