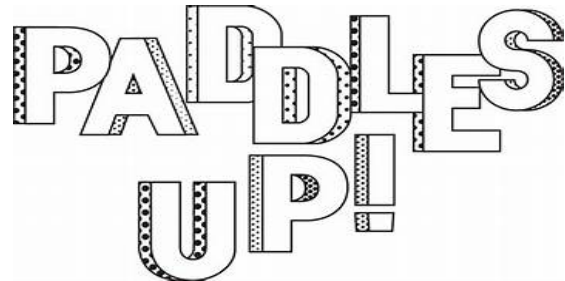




## **PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR**

October 29, 2023



### **QUARTER AUCTION FUNDRAISER**

**Our Quarter Auction fundraiser is THIS Saturday, November 4th at the Barberton Moose. We have some really awesome raffle baskets and donations from the Portage Lakes community and our very own members.**

**In addition to the auction we will have a Chinese basket raffle, and a 50/50 raffle. Food will be available for purchase. The auction will be held from 4:00 to 7:00 pm with doors opening at 3:00 pm for registration and vendor shopping. Tickets are \$10.00 and include admission and one bidding paddle. Additional paddles will be available for \$5.00 each at the door. You will also be able to upgrade your bidding paddle to an 'all in' bidding paddle if you choose.**

**What do we need from our members? Buy a ticket and ATTEND the Quarter Auction, create a raffle basket or obtain a donated raffle basket and bring it to the meeting on Wednesday, and sign up to volunteer at the event. If you have already done these things, THANK YOU. Tickets can be purchased every Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Civic Center. If you need additional tickets for friends or family please contact me at [cathy.dietz61@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.dietz61@gmail.com) or Kelley at [kelbel03@aol.com](mailto:kelbel03@aol.com). You do not need a ticket to volunteer but you do need a ticket if you want to bid on any of the auction items. It will be a fun event.**

**I have had the privilege of working with the best committee ever! Thanks to Rosanne Edwardson, Connie Nagy, Kelley Nagy, Juanita Gehm, Vicki Kepnes, and Marcia Ponikvar. Your hard work on this fund raiser is appreciated.**



**Community Cash Back is an easy, local fundraiser for non-profit organizations like ours! Simply save your receipts and turn them in to Cathy at any meeting. We did very well with this program last year, so hopefully we can do even better this year. We'll have some contests, drawings, and incentives over the next six months. The program runs from August 1, 2023 to February 15, 2024. Save those receipts, we've gotten off to a great start.**



**Many thanks to our guest speaker on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, Dr. William Lanzinger who came in to talk with us about the wonderful work the Autism Society does for children who are on the autism spectrum. Dr. Lanzinger brought his son David who spoke a bit about living his life with autism. This evening was heartfelt and emotional as both of them shared their journey with us. Thank you.**





We still have some members that have NOT paid their dues. Please send your check in, your dues are now a month past due. If you have any questions or need any additional information, please let me know at [cathy.dietz61@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.dietz61@gmail.com)



Our Girl's Night In holiday event will be held at the Civic Center on Friday, November 17th at 6:00 pm. You should have received an invitation in the mail with all of the details by now. This event is open to all female members of our club as well as the spouses of our male members. We'll have dinner, crafts, games, an ornament exchange, and LOTS of girl gab. A fun night is promised! Please RSVP to [cathy.dietz61@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.dietz61@gmail.com) or text/call (330) 592-6471.

Also, Christmas Eve Santa Delivery is right around the corner. For all route captains, it is time to get your team in order and make sure you have a Santa, plenty of elves, a lead car, and a sleigh puller. If you do not plan on returning, please let our Chair, Connie Nagy know as soon as possible. If you are new to volunteering on Christmas Eve, please contact Connie and she will get you placed on a route. Her email is [liberty644@aol.com](mailto:liberty644@aol.com). It will be here before we know it.





**Friends in Tents (FIT) has asked us to please hold a sock collection for their clients that live in tents. With winter fast approaching many do not even have the basics for cold weather. They do have a need for some children but the majority of the socks needed are for adults. Next time you are out shopping pick up a few pair and bring them to the Civic Center. There is a bin available for the collection right inside the door, and will collect from now until the end of the year.**



**PLK has been given an amazing opportunity to raise funds for our club. Phantom Fireworks has donated two game tickets thru Lindsay Nagy, (there will be a choice of five dates) where you will sit in the scoring box and have access to the Lexus package; upscale five star restaurant food, beverages, and inside access to places not open to the public. This package cannot be purchased and will be a once in a lifetime evening for two lucky winners. Tickets are on sale now, the cost is \$10 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$25.00. Please see Connie or Kelley to obtain some tickets to sell. We have the potential to make this a wonderful fundraiser and get our treasury back to where it should be.**

### **BIRTHDAYS:**

10/2 Denise Goodwin  
10/5 Rosanne Edwardson  
10/9 Connie Nagy  
10/9 Don Reilly  
10/14 Frank Smith  
10/23 Al Grzeschik  
10/27 Kevin Powell  
10/29 Jill Flagg Lanzinger

### **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

Tom Longworth - 72 years  
Don Reilly - 47 years  
Sue Fassoles - 29 years  
Sam Reynolds - 27 years  
Debbie Rubino - 13 years  
Chuck Seeley - 13 years  
Jeff Goodwin - 13 years  
Jill Flagg Lanzinger - 9 years

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

10/11 Frank & Bonnie Smith  
10/14 Tom Burge & Polly Price  
10/15 Dale & Cathy Dietz  
10/31 John & Michelle Schermesser

### **KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:**

>Frank Smith  
>Barry Terjesen  
>Jim Welton

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS / CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

>November 1, Spaghetti for dinner from Allenside/Kay Lukac  
>November 4, Quarter Auction fundraiser at Barberton Moose  
>November 17, Girls Night In, Holiday Event  
>November 22, **NO MEETING, Happy Thanksgiving**  
>November 29, Regular Meeting & Board Meeting



**LITTLE FURTHER DOWN THE ROAD:**

- >December 3, Coventry Tree Lighting Event at 5:00 pm
- >December 10, Tudor House Holiday Event
- >December 17, Cookies with Kiwanis / Portage Lakes Towers
- >December 24, Christmas Eve Santa Delivery

**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 \$14.00, 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 and like 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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