



PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

September 4, 2022

ROSE DAY OCTOBER 1, 2022

Our 66th annual Portage Lakes Kiwanis Rose Remembrance Day kickoff has officially begun! The website is up and running and we have a lot of flowers to sell and deliver. Roses will again be \$20.00 per dozen, delivered, to most zip codes in Summit County. Please ask your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to send someone they love a dozen roses. The smile on the recipients face is heart-warming. We are in need of organizations to deliver roses on Saturday, October 1st. Our club will pay \$2.00 for each dozen delivered that day. If you know of a club or organization that may interested in making some money, please let Al know. His email is al@plkiwanis.org.

The link to order roses is: <https://www.plkiwanis.org/rose-order-form/>.



KIWANIS TOWER DINNER

The annual Kiwanis Tower Dinner will be held at the Civic Center on Wednesday, September 14, 2022. This dinner is held every year to continue to grow the bond between the Portage Lakes Kiwanis and the Kiwanis Tower residents. It is our opportunity to sit with, visit with, and support the Tower residents. Rose Villa will be catering the event. The dinner is free to everyone that attends. Please make your best effort to come to this dinner as the Tower residents are an extension of our club.



The Acme Cash Back Community Program has started again. It will run from August 4th to December 24th. Please save your receipts and bring them to any meeting. Our club will get 5% of the total of receipts we present. It is a very simple way to earn some extra money. Please give them to Dana or Cathy.

CHARTER PARTY

The details for the annual Charter Party have been finalized. The Party will be held at the Canal Grille Restaurant in their private party room on Wednesday, October 5th. We will welcome our new Officers and Directors while celebrating another successful year! Guests are welcome to attend. Governor of the Ohio District, Mr. David Kuhn will be our guest speaker and Inductor. 6:00 pm will be social time, 6:30 pm will be the Pledge, Invocation, & Dinner, and the Passing of the Gavel program will begin at 7:30 pm. Cost is \$31.50 per person to attend and there will be a cash bar available. You will have a choice of four dinner entrees:

- *10 oz New York strip steak with baked or mashed potatoes and green beans
- *Seared salmon with baked or mashed potatoes and green beans
- *Teriyaki chicken with baked or mashed potatoes and green beans
- *Stuffed shells with home-made meat ball

All dinners are served with a garden salad, soft drinks, coffee, and tea.

The gratuity and tax are included in the price.

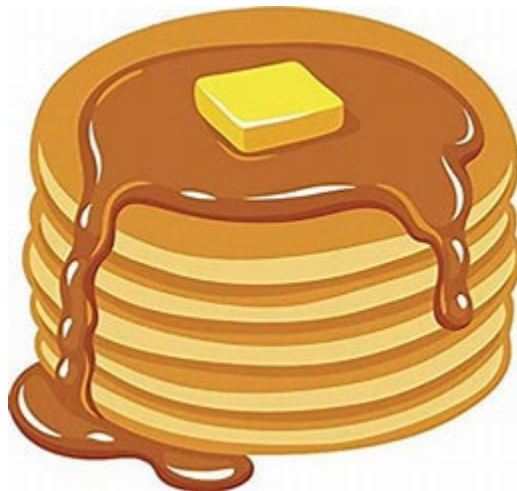
Please RSVP with your reservation and payment by September 28th, checks payable to Portage Lakes Kiwanis.

Al Grzeschik, text or call (330) 524-2979 or email al@plkiwanis.org or

Cathy Dietz, text or call (330) 592-6471 or email at cathy.dietz61@gmail.com



Congratulations to Larry and Judy Hunter as they celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on September 2nd. Larry has been a Portage Lakes Kiwanis member for twenty years and we get to see Judy on many special Kiwanis occasions. Larry will also be club President beginning October 1st, 2022. May the Lord bless you with many more anniversaries to celebrate.



Maps Air Museum will hold their annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, September 11th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children under 12. The price includes museum admission which is open until 4:00 pm. MAPS is collecting canned goods for our local Ohio National Guard food pantry and would appreciate your donation. MAPS has been a good friend to our Kiwanis club, so please support this fund-raiser if you can.



Please start saving shoes again! We will have another drive in the spring, but you can bring in shoes at any time and we can get a running start on this fundraiser. Our last drive brought in over \$1000 dollars and is a relatively easy way to raise money.

GIRL'S NIGHT IN/ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

-SAVE THE DATE-

Our annual Girl's Night In/Ornament Exchange will be held on Friday, November 18th at the Civic Center. We will have dinner, craft time, game time, the ornament exchange, and lots of girl gab. This is a really fun night in and you don't have to bring anything! There is no cost to attend this event. Invitations will be sent out soon. We hope to see you there.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Annual Dues

By now you should have received your annual Kiwanis membership renewal invoice in the mail or at a club meeting. Please send your check made payable to Portage Lakes Kiwanis no later than October 1st to: Portage Lakes Kiwanis, P.O. Box 19186, Akron, OH 44319. If for some reason you will not be renewing your membership, please let me know as soon as possible at cathy.dietz61@gmail.com

guest speaker

At our meeting on Wednesday, September 21st, we will have a guest speaker Mr. Kelly Pariso, a financial advisor from Pariso & Associates, a private wealth advisory practice of Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC. Kelly will speak about the products and services his company offers. Kelly along with his wife Heather are directors of the Portage Lakes Polar Bear Jump and will be speaking briefly about the plans for the 2023 jump. We are trying to showcase a company from the Portage Lakes area once a month. Please attend and support our guest speakers.



This fall we will be holding a food drive. It will not officially kick off until we are done with Rose Day but if you have items to donate, you can begin dropping them off any Wednesday at the Civic Center. Products accepted will be non-perishable food items, paper products, and personal care items. This will benefit the Green Good Neighbors who distributes to many communities. We will offer a few Saturday drop-off dates in October and/or November.

UPCOMING MEETINGS / CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- >Sept 5, Barberton Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast, meet at 9:30 for interclub
- >Sept 7, Steak & Chicken Dinner at the Civic Center, 6:30 pm
- >Sept 14, Kiwanis Tower Dinner at Civic Center
- >Sept 20, Division 16 meeting in Wooster at Christmas Run Park
- >Sept 28, Regular Meeting and Board Meeting

FURTHER DOWN THE ROAD

- >October 1 - Rose Day
- >October 5, Charter Party at Canal Grille
- >November 18, Girls Night In/Ornament Exchange

BIRTHDAYS:

09/05 Devin Allman
09/09 Bob Fowler
09/15 Debbie Rubino
09/25 Dana Roderick

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:

Gene Cole - 46 years
Larry Hunter - 20 years

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

09/02 Larry & Judy Hunter
09/15 Dan & Lisa Fouser

KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:

Please keep the following Kiwanians in special thought and prayer:

Tom Longworth
Tom Burge
Kay Lukac
Glen Sheets

If you know of any members that are in need of prayer, please let me know. I will be happy to add them to our prayer list.

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 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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