



## PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS COMMUNICATOR

Newsletter for September 8, 2019



### LET'S SELL ROSES !!

Thanks to many hours of work by Tim Peterson and Tom Burge our upgraded website is now ready to take on our thousands of rose day orders. It is faster, the security is better, and it is designed to eliminate address errors to save us tons of time when it comes to delivery. We have a LOT of roses to sell, so we need everyone to hit up their friends, neighbors, co-workers...everyone you know; to order roses. If you know of any group that would be interested in making some extra money delivering roses, please provide them with Tom Burge's name and phone number.



Larry has been busy catching fish for the annual fish fry to be held at the Civic Center on Wednesday, September 11th. Tickets are \$15.00 and as of this printing there were still a few tickets available. Please contact Larry Hunter at (330) 644-1540 if you would like to attend and did not get a ticket.

**The annual Kiwanis Tower Dinner will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. Please park at the Civic Center and shuttles will begin transporting over to the Tower at 5:30, as parking is very limited over there. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm that night; a half hour earlier than usual. No reservation is required for this dinner and there is no cost to attend. It is a wonderful evening, please plan to attend!**

### **KIWANIS FAMILY NEWS:**

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

Charlie Kepnes  
Betty Seeley

Condolences to our fellow member Chris Hofmann, who lost his father this past week. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Also past Kiwanis member, Jim France lost his wife Nancy on August 20th. Our deepest sympathy to the France family as well.

### **BIRTHDAYS:**

09/6 Steve Barry  
09/9 Bob Fowler  
09/15 Debbie Rubino  
09/25 Dana Roderick  
09/28 Russ Friess

### **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES:**

Gene Cole - 43 years  
Larry Hunter - 17 years

### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:**

09/2 Larry & Judy Hunter  
09/18 Kerri & Richard Gleisinger  
09/27 Steve & Kathy Barry  
09/27 Ed & Louise Udovich

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

>Sept 11 - Fish Fry at Civic Center  
>Sept 17 - Division 16 Picnic in Wooster  
>Sept 18 - Annual Kiwanis Tower Dinner 6:00 pm  
>Oct 5 - Rose Day delivery



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**An induction ceremony will be held at the Civic Center for three new members on Wednesday, September 25, 2019; please plan on attending and welcoming these men.**

**Mr. James Welton, sponsored by Barry Terjesen**

**Mr. Stanley Vaughan, sponsored by Al Grzeschik**

**Dr. Benjamin Pearson, sponsored by Larry Hunter**



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**Save your receipts... Time to save those Acme receipts again. The Cash Back programs runs from August 8th to December 29th, so please save your Acme Fresh Market Receipts and bring them in so we can cash in on this program!! Thank you.**



**The Pontoon Boat that was donated by Tim Peterson has been modified to be used for the Purple Martin boatrides, and since that has happened, we have a few items for sale! We have a Yamaha Boat Engine and Pontoon Boat Seats. Please contact Larry Hunter for complete information and pricing at (330) 644-1540.**



Many thanks to those who took the time out of their busy schedule to come to the meetings every Wednesday in August! Eleven people in total, that is awesome. Those who get recognition for August are:

- Tom Burge
- Gene Cole
- Cathy Dietz
- Dale Dietz
- Bob Fowler
- Jon Freeman
- Al Grzeschik
- Vicki Kepnes
- Tom Longworth
- Phil Pinnow
- Dana Roderick



We have received several \$25.00 gift cards from the Perfect Power Wash Company in Norton, to go towards any service you would hire them to do. If you would like one, please let me know, or come to any meeting and just ask! Their website is [perfectpowerwash.com](http://perfectpowerwash.com) if you would like to take a look at what they do.



**BLESSINGS IN A  
BACKPACK**  
*Who will feed the kids this weekend?*

With school opening up in just a few weeks we will be starting our "Blessings in a Backpack Program" for the 2019-2020 school year. There will be a box just inside the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center - 725 Portage Lakes Drive, where any and all donations can be dropped off. For food donations: Please bring easy serve foods such as: ramen noodles, single serve mac & cheese, spaghetti o's (and similar items) with pop top lids, raisins, fruit snacks, peanut butter, crackers, fruit cups, applesauce, etc.

We all know school supplies can also be expensive so we would like to take it one step further this year and ask for donations of notebook paper, pencils, pens, crayons, rulers, glue sticks, markers, boxes of kleenex, hand sanitizer, clorox wipes, gloves, and hats.

We thank each one of you in advance for your help with this year's project.



The Disability Picnic was held at the Civic Center on Saturday, September 7, 2019. We served lunch to about 50 adults from the South Social Program. This was our 38th year! A good time was had by all; eating, singing, playing corn hole, and socializing with each other. Many thanks to Kiwanian volunteers Bonnie & Frank Smith, Connie Nagy, Al Grzeschik, Dana Roderick, Vicki Kepnes, and Cathy & Dale Dietz. The weather co-operated beautifully as well.

## **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.**

## **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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