



We Build!

***THE COMMUNICATOR***

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Vicki Kepnes, Editor

PLK NEWSLETTER

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**President Frank Smith** opened the meeting and led everyone in pledge of allegiance; **Sue Harding** chose "America" for the opening song, and **Tom Varley** offered the invocation. **Larry Hunter** introduced our guest for the evening: Sarah Methaney, a potential new member.



### This Week's Celebrations

**Nick Wladyczak** will celebrate his birthday on Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, and there were no Wedding Anniversaries, or Club Anniversaries!! Happy Birthday, Nick, come and see us soon!!

### Club Activities

**PLK Dues –Dues are now past due. Please contact Treasurer, Charlie Kepnes if you would like to make arrangements to pay your dues. Installment payments can be accommodated, upon request. You can contact Charlie at [charliekep@aol.com](mailto:charliekep@aol.com)** If you are **NOT** planning to renew your membership, please let us know as soon as possible for dues have been paid to Kiwanis International already, and once paid will not be refunded. Past Due Members will be suspended and given 30 days to pay up or be dropped as members per By-Laws. If you wish to make arrangements to make payments for your dues, you must contact **Charlie Kepnes, Treasurer, as soon as possible. (330-644-2646) there are still 12 unpaid members!!!**

Newsletter advertising and online advertising forms are available now and contact **Sue Harding** if you wish to participate. E-mail **Sue** at [magistraharding@sbcglobal.net](mailto:magistraharding@sbcglobal.net) We need your business card, or copy to be used for the internet advertising.

**Larry Hunter** discussed some of the projects again coming up this year and reminded everyone that we will be presenting information to the Board of Directors at the end of the month a proposal for a Pirates Day Kick Off Reverse Raffle and Silent Auction. **Charlie Kepnes, Vicki Kepnes** and **Larry** met to discuss some of the information. They are looking for help to form a committee to formalize more information. Many ideas for the Pirates day weekend are coming up and will be discussed possibly in committees next week to present to the Board for approval if finances are needed. Try to come next Wednesday and see which Committees you would like to work on this coming year!! Some projects scheduled are The Pirates Day weekend, July 23 and 24th, Friends of the Portage Lakes Park "Chase your Shadow Walk/Run" on the first weekend in February (Ground Hog Day) Presidents Day, where we will invite presidents of clubs in the area to a meeting to discuss what their organization does for the community. **Larry** also reminded everyone we are selling Portage Lakes Calendars for only \$5.00, Portage Lakes Kiwanis Christmas Cards at the discounted price of \$20.00/box.

**Acme Community Cashback receipts are being collected by Sandy Engle and Vicki Kepnes. PLK will earn money for your grocery purchases. Check all your**

receipts for the dollar amount on **Community Cashback!!!!** Thanks to all who are helping!! Will have update on receipts turned in next week!!

□ Happy Dollars □

**Larry Hunter** went to a meeting at the Tudor House last week, and they will be serving food on "Pirates Day". Great to have another group on board!

**George Derry** was happy to have his daughter **Lou Anne** back from Florida, and was especially glad that the snow was not too deep and did not have to walk home from the airport!!!

**Charlie Kepnes** shared that he and wife **Vicki** are learning more and more about their computers, and found out how to download Quick Books to their notebook computer so he can bring to meetings and will be able to answer many of the questions members have on Club finances!!

**Sue Harding had** three happy dollars this week. #1. For the successful surgery to her second eye surgery and can see without her glasses!!! #2. Was for son-in-law Chris, who made it back safely to Haiti for the memorial of the Earthquake there a year ago. #3. There is no **Joe Klope** story tonight!!

News in our Kiwanis Family

Please keep **Sandy** and **Steve Engle** in your thoughts and prayers as they are moving to Canton to be close to **Sandy's** father who is undergoing treatments for cancer!! They will be staying on as members here!!!

Committee Reports

**Youth Services – Charlie Kepnes** announced that we are still receiving Santa Delivery donations and will update us later with the current count.

**Nominating Committee – Al Grzeschik** has volunteered to fill either the VP or the President Elect position. If you can serve as either Vice-President or President-elect, please contact **Al Grzeschik**. We need some of you long term members to step up and give us a hand until some of the new members are ready to step up!!

**Roster – It's time to check your personal information as they are almost ready to re-print. Call Al Grzeschik or Sue Harding with additions and corrections to the last edition. Still waiting on a few stragglers!!! Sue Harding included a copy in Christmas Cards sent or handed out last week at the meeting!! If you have been asked to serve on a committee or would like to serve on one, we must have your answer to complete the Committee Section of the Member Roster before printing it. Thanks for your help.**

## CORRESPONDENCE

**Ohio District Kiwanis** sent their thanks for our Key Club Support (We paid their dues) and sent us two badges for our banners. One banner for each of our Key Clubs, Manchester and Coventry!!! **Secretary Sue Harding** also announced that on Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, The **Green Kiwanis Club** will be hosting the Division 20 Council Meeting at 6:30 P.M. at Menches Brothers Restaurant at 3700 Massillon Rd. in the Shops of Green. The buffet dinner will include: roast beef, mashed potatoes, vegetable, and rigatoni w/plain sauce, salad bar, rolls, cupcakes, and coffee/soft drink for \$15.00. Sue needs your reservation now. This would be a great time for an interclub!! They will be inducting our new **Lt. Governor-Elect, Pam Daerr** at this meeting!!

**Betty Schadl** had forward information on a web site to send thank you to soldiers serving overseas. After checking it out, it looks great! Go to [www.LetsSayThanks.com](http://www.LetsSayThanks.com) This is sponsored by Xerox and is a great web site.



**Post These Dates!**



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| <b>Jan. 18</b> | <b>Div. 20 Council Meeting/dinner at Menches at 6:30 P.M.<br/>Call Sue Harding with your reservation</b> |
| <b>Jan. 19</b> | <b>Regular Meeting/ Lukity's Dinner/Committee Meetings</b>   |
| <b>Jan. 26</b> | <b>Regular/Board meeting / Pizza and salad?</b>  |
| <b>Feb. 5</b>  | <b>Chase Your Shadow Walk/Run (in the snow?)<br/>Portage Lakes State Park</b>                            |

**We have 2011 Portage Lakes Calendars.** Tom Fry is selling them for \$5 each. They are also available at Akron Coin & Jewelry, Inc.