



We Build!

THE COMMUNICATOR

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PLK NEWSLETTER

Vicki Kepnes, Editor

President Frank Smith opened the meeting and led everyone in pledge of allegiance; and **Sue Harding** led us in singing "Smile", and offered the invocation. There were no guests this evening.



This Week's Celebrations

Jon Freeman is celebrating a birthday this month on March 11th, Happy Birthday. **Sue Harding** will celebrate her birthday on March 14, and was at the meeting for us to sing!! We did not let her down and did a little harmonizing!!!



Club Activities

Plans are moving forward on the first **Annual Pirate Days Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction Extravaganza** sponsored by **Portage Lakes Kiwanis and the Kiwanis Civic Center** to be held on Friday, July 15th. Pledges for tickets are being accepted now as the tickets have not been printed yet. Arrangements are in the works to be able to charge the tickets on your credit card which will be a convenience for us. Members actively working on this project and helping at the event will receive \$10.00 off their ticket. Ticket prices are \$100.00 for a chance on the main reverse raffle board and food, and \$35.00 for a food ticket only. All profits will go to help fund the scholarship program and community service projects like the Easter Egg Hunt and Santa Delivery and the Portage Lakes Civic Center. Research is being done to make donations to the Silent Auction tax deductible. This will really be a fun project and will help to make up what we are not making on Rose Day. Please let Vicki or Charlie Kepnes know if you want to help. We will need a lot of volunteers!!! Those of you that did not make this meeting or are out of town reading this newsletter may pledge to buy tickets by e-mailing Vicki Kepnes at vickikep@aol.com and we will add you to the list. Early pledges will help us determine how much money will be available for projects and will help in knowing what will be available for first prize. Right now the minimum cash prize is \$1000.00 for the Reverse Raffle; the more tickets sold the better chance we have on raising that amount.

Please come to the Committee night meeting if you have ideas and suggestions for the Fund Raising Committee. We will also be discussing the "Third Sunday Flea Market" to be held on Sunday, May 15th. This will be a fundraiser for the **Civic Center** to help in repairs or renovations and if successful, we may continue to do the following month!!

Larry Hunter showed us the **Pirate Coins** which will be another fundraiser. This will be discussed later after we have merchants and firm up the advertising required for this project.

HAPPY DOLLARS

Scott Shookman told us that **Joe Klope** had had a heart attack, but is ok and like Joe, is holding hands with his wife, Ann Lou. Scott also reported that the Polar Bear Jump was fun, but the water was COLD!!!! Scott also told us that Jay Feldman's daughter was second in charge at the Food Bank, and he had asked her if she was jumping, she replied that her boss was jumping, so she could not, just in case she would have to be ready to assume his position!!!! Good thinking, the water WAS cold!!!!

Tom Varley was happy to announce that he only has two more weeks to work before retiring!!!!

Charlie Kepnes was happy to announce that we have completed the sign up for the credit cards being accepted for tickets for the Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction. He was happy also that **Chuck Seeley** agreed to be our Master of Ceremonies at the Raffle!!!!

Glen Sheets traveled to DC last weekend and for a couple of days they had a little rain, but it snowed on the way back home and was very treacherous, lots of accidents, but they made it back fine!!!

Sue Harding was very happy for our singing for her!!! She then had a few **Joe Klope** Stories

News in our Kiwanis Family

If you would like to send a message to Judi Cole, her address is 441 Dorwill Dr., Akron, OH 44319!! Judi is doing well and doing chemotherapy right now.

TAKE US OUT TO THE BALL GAME!!!

This night out will have to be cancelled as we could not get the 50 tickets sold in time!!

CORRESPONDENCE

Reminder: there will be a Division 20 Picnic hosted by Green Kiwanis on June 27th. We may be the host in September and will try to get the date changed to Wednesday if possible. More information and dates for Division meetings will be listed later.

Summit County Sheriff's Office will be having a Charity Basketball Game with the Pittsburgh Steelers on Friday or Saturday night April 15/16th in Green. Funds raised will go to the Weaver Learning Center. More information later when date is confirmed.

EASTER EGG HUNT



Al Grzeschik announced that we will need lots of helpers at the Tudor House for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 23rd. We are still looking for games to have the children play. We will have the Bounce House from Camp Y-Noah, the Fire Safety house from the New Franklin Fire Department, Lou Anne Derry is working on a small Petting Zoo, and **Scott Shookman** talked about a balloon contest they did many years ago, that we are researching!!! **Lots of fun, but we need you all to come out and help!!!!**

Post These Dates!



- March 12** **Mid-Year Education Day in Columbus**
Anyone interested in going with Sue Harding, Vicki Kepnes,
And Bonnie Smith, please call.
- March 16** **Regular Meeting/Lukity's dinner**
- March 23** **Committee Meetings/Lukity's Dinner**
- March 30** **Regular meeting/ Board Night / Dinner**
- April 23** **Easter Egg Hunt**
- May 14** **[Plant Swap Here](#)**
- June 1** **Pig Roast \$25.00 per person/Covered Dish**
- July 15** **Portage Lakes Kiwanis Pirate Days Kick Off**
Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction at Prime at Anthes.
- September 7** **Fish Fry!!!! Larry will announce when we can start fishing!**

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

Breast Cancer Fundraisers: The Dragon Dream Team "Breast of Friends Gala" on Saturday April 9, 2011 at Guy's Party Center. Donation to: Dragon Dream Team, 765 Bridge Rd., Akron, OH 44312. <http://www.dragondreamteam.org/>