



The COMMUNICATOR

“ WE BUILD ”

PLK WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

March 14th, 2012

Dana Roderick, Editor

PRESIDENT – FRANK SMITH – Opened the meeting by leading us in the “Pledge of Allegiance.” **SUE HARDING** – Lead us in the song of the night “ When Irish Eyes are Smiling.” And the **INVOCATION BY GEORGE DERRY**

BIRTHDAYS

Glen Sheets - March 3rd
JOHN SCHERMESSER – March 7th
JON FREEMAN – March 11th
SUE HARDING – March 14th
JONI MURGATROYD – March 19th

GUESTS

Tonight for our Membership Drive we were joined by – Lt Gov Pam Darr and her husband Bob Darr, Rick Tew, Debbie O’Connor, Carol Eubank, Lisa, and Judy Pinnow.

HAPPY DOLLARS

CHARLIE KEPNES – 1ST – For receiving a great donation from the Sheriff’s Dept for the Pirate Day Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction. **2nd** that **George Derry** took Pirate Days tickets to sell. **3rd** – that the Garage will be finished by summer. **PAM DARR** – For all the potential members who came tonight.. **2nd** that she is celebrating her anniversary with her husband Bob. **3rd** that it is Sue Hardings birthday. **CAROL EUBANK** – that she is happy Kiwanis has started it’s own Historical Committee and she has been able to join a few meetings. **LARRY HUNTER - 1st** Welcoming all of tonites guests. **2nd** For **Chuck Seely** completing the Pirate Day Poster & post card. **TOM VARLEY** – For this past weekend that he spent in Puerto Rico. **SUE HARDING** – **1st** Granddaughter lost her first tooth, **2nd** – Safe and sunny travel to Columbus on Saturday. **3rd** – Today’s Sunshine. **4th** Biggins Big Dop opening up today. **5th** – Happy to be having a Birthday today.

CLUB & COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

YCP1 - is still collecting for “ **Tammy’s Totes.**” . Please remember to bring a donation to each Wednesday **Night meeting that you attend.** Other donations can be made at any of our Wednesday Night meetings or during normal Civic Center operating hours. If the Civic Center is not open please feel free to drop off donations @ **Akron Coin & Jewelry.**

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE - Has found many places to do research thanks to the help of Carol Eubank. They will begin interviewing the individual members of the club in the next few weeks. We are still searching for any newspaper clippings, old photo’s notes that anyone may consider letting us borrow. If you have any of the above or anything that you feel pertains to the history of Portage Lakes, Please contact either **Esther cole @ ercole275@att.net** or **Dana Roderick @ d1687@hotmail.com**

EASTER EGG HUNT: Is being held at the Tudor House in New Franklin on Saturday April 7th, 2012.

Festivities will start @ 10:00am with Bounce House from Camp Y-noah, Balloon Pop , Fire Saftey House, Gasp – to provide “ Free “ identity kits for the children. Egg Hunt will start promptly @ **Noon** and will be divided into age groups for 0-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9 and up.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

AL GRZESCHIK - AERO'S OUTING – to be held Friday **June 8th, 2012**. This is a Fireworks night at the Aero's Stadium and they play Altoona curve (Pirate) from the Western Division. The cost per ticket is \$ 7.00. All tickets ordered after **April 8th, 2012** will cost \$ 10.00 each and will be paid for at the gate. Game start time is 7:05 pm. Anyone interested please contact Al.



PIRATE DAYS

We will be hosting the second annual "**Pirate Days Reverse Raffle/ Silent Auction**" this event will be held at "**Prime 93, on July 21st, 2012**". The doors will open at 5:30 pm with Festivities beginning at 6:00 pm.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW PLEASE CONTACT:

ESTHER COLE @ PHONE: 330-414-7021 or by e-mail @ ercole275@att.net (*Please* note the change in e-mail address.) to get your Grub ticket for only \$ 35.00 or Grub + Raffle Ticket for \$ 100.00 or invite your friends and family to join you in what promises to be a fun filled evening and purchase a Table for 8 @ \$ 345.00.

PHOTO'S

Please contact or e-mail **CHUCK SEELEY** if you have any photo's from last year's "Pirate Days" events. He will be going through anything he receives looking for pictures to put on this year's poster. He is accepting any and all photo's from last year's events. They can be sent via e-mail in pdf, jpeg or any format.

This weekend will be filled with events such as: **Pontoon Boat Tours, Poker run and Treasure Hunt for the kids, Dragon Boat Rides, Vessel Safety Checks and Child Safety Vest Exchange Program.** All events are based around the lakes. We will continue to update the newsletter weekly for news on **PIRATE DAYS** events. Also feel free to check the website @ www.plkiwanis.org for news. Or visit us on Facebook.

REMINDERS:

Early Bird registration deadline extended, Reserve your seat for: KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL NEW

ORLEANS TOUR: Registration for this event is June 28th thru July 1st 2012. If you register prior to **March 20th, 2012:** **MEMBER \$ 195.00, NON-MEMBER \$ 195.00.** This cost does not include Hotel registration fees. For more information you can either see **SUE HARDING** or visit the website @ **Kiwanis International** <communications@kiwanis.org>, then click on the convention icon on the right hand side of your screen. Registration fees will be more if you are not registered by the **20th of March.**

FUNDRAISERS: Dragon Boat Dream Team – Will be holding a fund raiser on **April 14th, 2012.** Please see editions of the newsletter later in the month for more details.

PRESIDENT ELECT: We still need to fill this position. The club would like to fill it by April. If anyone is interested in this open position Please contact **Jeff Goodwin** or **Frank Smith.** You can find out details of the position from either one of them or by looking in the Bi-Laws also see Kiwanis International site.

DATES TO REMEMBER

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| March 21st, 2012 | Regular Meeting - Speaker Jeff Houck – Harbor Lite Hospice Care – who will be speaking to us on the "Myth's of Hospice".
Committee Meeting |
| March 26th, 2012 | Pirate Day Meeting - 6:30 pm, Civic Center |
| March 28th, 2012 | Regular Meeting / BOARD MEETING, STUFFING EASTER EGGS |
| April 4th, 2012 | Regular meeting, GUEST SPEAKERS - Sheriff Brian Cutlip & Mike Jones along with the K-(dogs. They will be speaking on training & |

working with the dogs.

April 7 th , 2012	EASTER EGG HUNT @ Tudor House to start at 10 am Celebration of Life “Larry Yothers “ 3 - 5 PM Civic Center
April 11 th , 2012	Regular meeting, Guest Speaker “ Debbie Reiss “ from GASP
April 14 th , 2012	Dragon Dream Team Fundraiser
April 18 th , 2012	Regular meeting, and Committee Meetings

All members Please turn in updated phone#, address & e-mail address information to **Sue Harding** so she can update the member brochure.

Watch upcoming newsletters for further updates on: Social Events, Guest Speakers, Special Meetings, Pirate Days , Easter Egg hunt and other exciting events .

Also feel free to check web @ www.plkiwanis.org which has this newsletter in addition to a calendar listing future guest speakers and other events, and photo 's.

*Or find us on **Facebook***