



# The COMMUNICATOR

“ WE BUILD ”

PLK WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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**PRESIDENT – FRANK SMITH** – Opened the meeting by leading us in the “Pledge of Allegiance “ . Song of the evening “ God Bless America “ And the INVOCATION BY: **GEORGE DERRY**

### GUESTS

POLLY PRICE. CAROL EUBANK, SYLVIA JOHNSON, RC NORRIS, BEVERLY FRY, VINCE MODUGNO.

### BIRTHDAY'S

BOB DENGLER – MAY 13TH

### CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

JIM DAVIS - 21 YEARS

### KIWANIS FAMILY

George Derry is out of the hospital and well on his way to recovery at home. He was able to attend the meeting tonight and provide the invocation for our evening meal.

### HAPPY DOLLARS

**SUE HARDING: \$1** For all the members in attendance this evening. **\$ 1** - Fpr the Club Leadership Education Class tha she attended with **Jeff Goodwin** on Saturday.

**GEORGE DERRY** – That he is home from the hospital and was able to attend the meeting.

### GUEST SPEAKER

This weeks Guest speaker was **SYLVIA JOHNSON** Director of Hower House at Akron Universit. Though she resides in the Portage Lakes area Mrs. Johnson has been director of Hower House for the past 25 years. She shared a lot of history about the Hower Family and it's members. Along with the businesses that they were involved in such as they had a cereal business, Akron Selle. The house which is the oldest home on the University campus is located on Fir Hill and was built in 1862. When originally built it had no electric or running water, These modern day conveniences were added sometime later. As well as a garage that is closer to the home. The inerior of the home has not changed since it was built. The woodwork inside the home is all Black Walnut. The house was donated in 1973 to Akron University when Grace Hower passed away. Mrs. Johnson is now in the process of tracing the Hower Family to Portage Lakes. Through research she has located 40 acres of land and Hower lake which is outside West Resevior and was owned by the Hower Family, Harvey Yoner Hower had a house built on this land in 1910.

Anyone who hasn't done so should make plans to take a tour of the Hower House located on Fir Hill. It is a sight to behold.

Many Thanks to you Mrs. Johnson for sharing this information with us.

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### **CLUB & COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PIG ROAST** - We will be hosting the Pig Roast on June 6<sup>th</sup> 2012 @ 6:30 pm- Tickets will be at a cost of \$ 15.00 each + one covered dish or dessert per family. Please contact **PHIL PINNOW** to make reservations and get your tickets. You can either see Phil at a meeting on Wednesday night at the civic center or contact him @ 330-644-0529

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** - **Jeff Goodwin** - Had the honor of presenting two scholarships this past Tuesday evening to the following Manchester High School Seniors: **Rachele Harbarger & Jaclyn Eidom**. He will be doing another scholarship presentation this coming Tuesday at Coventry High School. If you have not done so please place your reservation with **Vicki Kepnes** and join us at the Civic Center on May 23, 2012 as we congratulate both the students and their families from Manchester and Coventry High School on their scholarships.

### **SOCIAL EVENTS**

**AL GRZESCHIK - AERO'S OUTING** - to be held Friday June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Game time: 7:05pm The Akron Aeros will be playing against Altuna (curve ) Pirates. We now have approximately 46 people attending this game.



### **PIRATE DAYS**

We have just 2 ½ months before the "*Pirate Days Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction*" which will be held at "Prime 93, on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 . The doors will open at 5:30 pm with Festivities beginning at 6:00 pm. **TICKETS ARE GOING QUICKLY..... PLEASE CONTACT: ESTHER COLE @ PHONE: 330-414-7021** or by e-mail @ [ercole275@att.net](mailto:ercole275@att.net) to get **GRUB TICKETS** for only \$ 35.00 or **GRUB + RAFFLE TICKET** for only \$100.00. Invite your friends and family to join you in what promises to be a fun filled evening and purchase a **TABLE OF 8** for \$ 345.00. ( which includes 1 – Raffle + Grub Ticket and 7 Grub Tickets. )

This weekend promises to be filled with fun for people of all ages: **Pontoon Boat Tours, Poker run and Treasure Hunt for the kids** followed by a **Pontoon Boat ride around Treasure Island, Dragon Boat Rides, Vessel Safety Checks and Child Safety Vest Exchange Program.**

Please visit the website @ [www.plkiwanis.org](http://www.plkiwanis.org) for dates and times of events for the weekend.

**LARRY HUNTER** - Has gotten together a group of members to start selling "Pirate Coins" to the different establishments in the community. Please be sure to check for these coins in places that you frequently shop or dine at. There are a total of 18 businesses in the community that will be redeeming coins this year. Remember to look for the Pirate Flag in the business window.

**AL GRZESCHIK** - Is putting together an advertising booklet. If you would like to purchase an ad, or know someone who would - PLEASE contact Al for details and pricing

**KIWANIS** will be having a **Webinar** on May 15<sup>th</sup>. The topic is " Successful Project Management for

Fund Raising & service. “ You must be pre registered. And you can pre register at <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/721799634>

Also please don't forget to go to the International website @ [www.KiwanisOne.com/proposedclubbylaws](http://www.KiwanisOne.com/proposedclubbylaws). Review the proposed changes to the Bylaws and contact Vicki Kepnes or Sue Harding with you suggestions or comments

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### **Dates to Remember IN MAY**

May is membership month

- May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Regular Meeting - Election of Officers/ Directors. Committee Meetings.
- May 21<sup>st</sup> 2012 Pirate Meeting @ Library, Time: 6:30pm.
- May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 Regular Meeting & Board Meeting & Scholarship Dinner ( please contact Vicki Kepnes for reservations no later than Monday 5-20-2012
- May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Regular Meeting / Board Meeting.
- June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Pig Roast Location : Civic Center, Time - 6:30 pm Reservations Required - See Dr. Phil Pinnow for tickets ( Reminder Tickets are \$ 15.00 plus a covered dish per family )
- June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Akron Areos game with Fireworks

*If you haven't done it yet: Send all address, name & phone number changes to Sue Harding so that she may get the roster corrected.*

*Please take time to check the web @ [www.plkiwanis.org](http://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*

**HAVE YOU TAKEN THE TIME TO:** Get your Pig Roast Tickets and Pirate Days Reverse Raffle Tickets both are on sale now.

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