



# The COMMUNICATOR

“ WE BUILD ”

PLK WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

May 30th 2012

DANA RODERICK – EDITOR

**PRESIDENT – FRANK SMITH** – Opened the meeting by leading us in the “Pledge of Allegiance “ And the INVOCATION  
BY: **GEORGE DERRY**

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## GUESTS

CONNIE FELDMAN

## BIRTHDAY'S

TOM BURGE MAY 31<sup>ST</sup>

JOHN CUSMA JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>

JOE REINMANN JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>

## CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

AL GRZESCHIK - 16 YRS

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

JIM & WENDY DAVIS JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>

## HAPPY DOLLARS

**SUE HARDING: \$1** That she was able to make it to tonight's meeting on time after baby sitting.

**VICKI KEPNES: \$1** For the great turn out at last weeks Scholarship dinner and all **BONNIE SMITH'S** help. \$1 for the racoon being caught.

**CHARLIE KEPNES: \$1** That he was able to wake Vicki up the other night because the racoon had been caught. \$1 Though it rained Tuesday night he played his best golf game ever. And everyone had a good time. \$1 - That he will be participating on June 16<sup>th</sup> for a fund raiser for “ Peace for Pets. And from 2-4pm he will be playing with the band and there will be free food. Location GYM in barberton on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**TOM BURGE- \$1** For Old Memorial day

## HOLIDAY'S

Tonight we did not have a **Joe Klope** or **Larry Yother** story. Instead **Mr. Tom Burge** read to us from an article in Monday's Akron Beacon Journal about “ Old Memorial Day. “ As our meeting is on Wednesday and Memorial day had already passed enclosed you will find extra comments on Memorial Day. Portage Lakes Kiwanis realizes that we are missing a lot of names of former Kiwanians that either served or possible lost their lives defending this country. For this we do apologize. And though their names may not be listed we do appreciate everything that they did.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**AL GRZESCHIK - AERO'S OUTING – REMINDER** This coming Friday **June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012** is our Aero's outing. Game time: 7:05pm . by now everyone should have their tickets in hand, but if not please contact **AL GRZESCHIK** and make arrangement to get your tickets. There is also a lot of " **FREE PARKING** " around the stadium after 6pm.

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### **CLUB & COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **REMINDER:**

**PIG ROAST** - The Pig Roast on June 6<sup>th</sup> 2012 @ 6:30 pm- one week away. If you haven't already done so Please contact **PHIL PINNOW** @ 330-644-052 to get your Tickets . Cost of \$ 15.00 each + one covered dish or dessert per family. Guest speaker that evening will be: **Mr. Dan Reynolds** .

### **DONATIONS & THANK YOU NOTES**

**DONATIONS:** **Jeff Goodwin** Announced this evening that the photo's that were previously donated by **RC NORRIS** are finished and will be hung in the **Portage Lakes Branch** of the **Summit County Library**. Our sincere Thanks go out to **RC NORRIS** for his donation, **GENE COLE** - for helping to get the frames made, and **JEFF GOODWIN** - for getting the glass. For anyone who hasn't had the opportunity to see them please take time to stop by the Library and view them.

**THANK YOU NOTES:** This weeks mail had Thank you notes from Jaqulyn Eidom Manchester, Allison Pulley - Coventry & Eric Ashley - Coventry. These are three of the students who received the Scholarship awards for the 2012 year and they wanted us to know they appreciated the help in furthering their educations and the Awards Dinner.



### **PIRATE DAYS**

We have a very short time until "**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**. FO

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

The poster's, flyers and post cards announcing all events will be ready for distribution shortly. A special Thanks to **CHUCK SEELEY** for all of his hard work on this project.

**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

**TOM BURGE:** **Rose Day KICK OFF - TOM** - announced this evening that Rose Day Kick Off meeting will be held on - Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

### **Div 16 & 20 FAMILY PICNIC**

Will be held **July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012** in Green @ Greensburg Park. This should be a fun time for all interested in attending. Please see **Sue Harding** as she has a signup sheet for anyone who is planning on attending.

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May 28<sup>th</sup> The day set aside many years ago as Decoration Day. And later changed to Memorial day. For years this day has been set aside to reflect and remember those who have given their all in service to this country. By decorating graves of the fallen soldiers, taking a moment of silence and flying the flag at half mast we in a small way say Thank you for all you have done for us.

Two years before his death MacArthur gave a speech about Duty, Honor and Country which is on the West Point coat of arms. He stated that these three words dictate What you ought to be, what you can be & what you will be.

I believe that though this is on the West Point Coat of arms all military branches follow the same pattern of thinking. These men and women have given their lives so that you and I can have our freedom and raise our children in this wonderful country.

And though we do not want to diminish what these soldiers have done for us we at Portage Lakes Kiwanis would like to remember tonight the friends and family and fellow Kiwanians who served and though they did make it home may have lost a Friend or Brother or maybe an Uncle or Cousin. Below is a list of the few gentlemen at the meeting tonight, and I am sure there are many more that I have not named:

Mr. Tom Longworth	Navy	1941 – 1946
Mr. Bob Longworth	Navy	1943 – 1946
Mr. Gene Cole	Marines	1970 – 1976
Mr. Gordon Rice	Army	1950 – 1952
Mr. Phil Pinnow	Army/Korea	1955 – 1961
Mr. Tom Varley	Navy	1959 – 1965
Mr. Frank Smith	Army	1968 - 1969

Because our meetings are on Wednesday night's we are doing this a little late – But tonight we **Thank you** and your fellow service men from the different branches of the service who made it home safely or lost their lives defending us and this country.

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***Dates to Remember***

- June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012** Pirate Days Meeting: Time: 6:30pm, civic Center - Portage lakes Drive
- 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 Aeros game with Fireworks - **Game Time: 7:05pm**
- June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012** Regular Meeting/ Guest Speaker **Cecil Dutch**

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- June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012      Pirate Days Meeting - Time 6:30pm, Civic Center, Portage Lakes Drive
- June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012      Regular Meeting / Committee Meetings
- June 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>      Regular Meeting / Board Meeting  
**Kiwanis International Convention in New Orleans.**
- July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012      Pirate Days meeting: Time: 6:30pm, Location: To be Announced
- July 20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>      - Pirate Day's Weekend events to be held around the Lakes all weekend.  
Visit the website @ [www.plkiwanis.org](http://www.plkiwanis.org) to see where each event is being held.
- July 28<sup>th</sup>      Div 16 & 20 Family Picnic @ Greensburg Park 11:30 -2. Contact **Sue Harding** for  
Details and sign up sheets.
- Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012      Rose Day Kick Off

*Last Chance: Send all address, name & phone number changes to Sue Harding so that she may get the roster corrected.*

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

*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*

