

# THE COMMUNICATOR

PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS

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## KIWANIS FAMILY

We had the pleasure of being joined at this evenings meeting by Becky Cole. Becky is in town from Cape coral, Florida and she shared some news with us about the Kiwanis Club in Cape Coral. Before returning to Ohio the club shared with her that Ted Cole was the recipient of two awards: The Stellar Award & the Hixon Award. Ted had many years of service in Cape Coral Kiwanis along with retaining his membership here at the Portage lakes Kiwanis. Becky as well received the " Stellar Award. "

### *Funeral services for Ted Cole will be held on:*

Service: Tuesday October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012, 4-8pm @ Schemmesser Funeral Home located on HWY 619

Funeral: Thursday - October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 11:00am @ Hope Lutheran Church , 999 Portage Lakes Dr.

All donations may be made to Portage Lakes Kiwanis Santa Delivery program

## Continued Prayers

Our continued thoughts and prayers go out to the following member & their families:

**Steve Engle:** is back to work but still recovering from medial issues.

**Tom Fry:** also back to work this week and recovering from abdominal Surgery.

**Vicki Kepnes:** recovering from her unexpected fall several weeks ago.

## ROSE REMEMBRANCE DAY

Tom Burge



I would like to thank everyone who helped out in the past two weeks in the Rose office and on Saturday October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012 with delivery of the Roses. We had a wonderful year and all went smoothly Thanks to everyone's help. This Saturday October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 we will be delivering the few remaining Roses that were missed or undeliverable. If you are able to help please contact me/

Wednesday - October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 6:30pm we will be holding our Rose Appreciation Dinner please join us at the Civic Center.

Sincerely, Tom Burge

## GUEST SPEAKER

This evening's Guest Speaker was Ms. Jillian Solan from the "Summit County Children Services". This organization was started back in 1881. In 1887 the county purchased land on Arlington Street in Akron and it became the agency's permanent site. It was a place for office work along with providing housing to many children who had been removed from their families. Due to new federal and state laws in 1985 Anderson Village was closed down. The objective today for social workers is to keep the children with their immediate families when at all possible. If not possible they are sent to foster homes. Each Social Worker has approximately 9 families that they are responsible for. Meaning they meet with the parents, with & without the child present, Teachers, Schools and the Child. They try circumstances warranting to keep the families together. But ultimately this depends on the circumstances as to why they were contacted. They have started up several new projects such as the Father Factor which is helped by two Akron Area local Pastors.

The main objective of this organization is to protect each child in the community. Depending on the help that is needed this can be very expensive on a daily basis. Levy # 73 which is on the ballot this fall, if passed would be a great resource for this organization. If you have any questions or would like to know more please visit the website.

## HAUNTED HAY RIDE

This past weekend was the first weekend of the Haunted Hay Ride and we had just over 450 Adults and Children who attended on Friday & Saturday evening. There are only two weekends left. Tickets are: Adults: \$ 10.00 - Children \$ 1.00 at the Hay Ride or you may obtain tickets early at a reduced fee: Adults \$ 6.00 - Children \$ 1.00/ Bring the family for a family friendly ride or join us on the Scare of a life time ride. Afterwards enjoy a cup of coffee, hot chocolate or warm apple cider and a donut while the kids jump in the bounce house.

## ELIMINATE PROJECT

**By: Jeff Goodwin**

As many of you are aware I have taken the position of chairman for the Eliminate Project. This project is designed to eliminate material and neonatal tetanus from the face of the earth. Some quick facts that you may not be aware of are: 100 babies die each day from Tetanus, The Eliminate Project saves or protects 61 million women & Babies.

I am sure that we can all agree that this is a very worthwhile project for Portage Lakes Kiwanis to be involved in. As chairman of the project I am looking for individuals that would like to work side by side with me on this project.

Please contact me at 330-592-9646 or e-mail him at [jeff@innovativeautocare.com](mailto:jeff@innovativeautocare.com)

I will be reviewing several different ideas for FUND RAISERS in order to get this project started. But I am open to any ideas anyone may have. Please contact me if you are willing to help with this project.

Several of the other Kiwanis Clubs are participating and any donations that we could make would be a great asset.

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS -

All of the 2013 Entertainment books for Akron, Canton & Cleveland areas are now available. Members are encouraged to sign out several books for viewing and possible sales. We also have displays for local area business owners to set up and try and sell these great discount books. Price per book is \$ 30.00.

Books will be for sale until the end of the year. Any unsold books will be returned to the publisher.

If you have any question or would like books & displays please see **Bob Dengler**.

## CHARTER PARTY **REMINDER**

We have had several dinner reservations turned in for the :

**Charter Party , October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012 @ 6:30on,  
@ Prime 93 located on Manchester Road.**

If you are planning on attending this fun filled evening please contact **Vicki Kepnes** with your dinner selection as soon as possible. She would like to turn in all reservations by next weekend October 12, 2012.

Thank you and we look forward to seeing everyone on the 21<sup>st</sup>

## **PIRATE DAYS ON THE LAKE**

Larry Hunter will be holding the final meeting for “ Pirate Days on the Lake 2012 “ on

**MONDAY – OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 6:30 PM  
@ THE CIVIC CENTER.**

The current plan is to close out this year’s events and possible discussions on next year.

Thank you to all who participated and helped this year. I look forward to meeting with all of you on the 15<sup>th</sup>/

## **WANTED**

The Ballet Theatre of Ohio is in need of a “ Santa “ for one of their productions in November. This is a paying position for 2 weekends in November. If you interested in this position please contact:

**JESSICA @ 330-688-6065**

For more information.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**Frank Smith**            October 14th

## **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES**

**Bob Longworth**        61 yrs service

**Tom Longworth**        61 yrs service

Both gentlemen are Charter Members.

## WEBINAR:

### KEY CLUB INFORMATION

Ellet Key Club”

Participated in the “ Breast Walk for Cancer “ on September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2012 and raised approximately \$ 106.00 along with raising \$ 118.00 for Unicef.

They have the following up coming projects:

**November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012** Participate in a crafts show . They are still in need of crafters.

Location> Ellet High School

### Dates to Remember

<b>October 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Rose Delivery
<b>October 12<sup>th</sup> &amp; 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Haunted Hay Ride
<b>October 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Field Trip to Channel 2 News Departure from Civic Center 5:30pm
<b>October 21<sup>st</sup></b>	charter Party – Prime 93
<b>October 24<sup>th</sup></b>	Rose Appreciation Dinner
<b>October 31<sup>st</sup></b>	Regular Meeting/ Board Meeting
<b>November 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Div. 20 Dinner at Silver Lake Country Club, Reservations needed see Sue Harding

Be sure to visit the website “ **www.plkiwanis.org.** for a listing of any upcoming events, guest speakers and more.

**Hospice Care Center** Located on Ridgewood Road in Fairlawn will be having a Fall Gardening Clean up on Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012 from 9 am to 2pm . For anyone who would like to help with this project lunch will be provided.