



We Build!

***THE COMMUNICATOR***

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**PLK NEWSLETTER**

**Vicki Kepnes, Editor**

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**President Frank Smith** opened the meeting and led everyone in pledge of allegiance; **Sue Harding** chose "My Country Tis of Thee" as our opening song and offered the invocation for our meal. There were no guests in attendance this evening.

### **This Week's Celebrations**

There were no birthdays or Club Anniversaries this week, but **Tom** and **Carol Ann Varley** will celebrate their wedding anniversary on Nov. 21st. Congratulations!!!



### **Club Activities**

**PLK Dues** – the invoices have been mailed and should be paid to **Treasurer Charlie Kepnes** by the end of November.

**Larry Hunter** discussed the Pirate Days Project and presented everyone with further information for us to consider. We will discuss this further at the next meeting and try to make a decision. This would be a collaboration with local businesses and advertising in the Portage Lakes Legends magazine, and a Pirate Days Poker Run in the 6 bars/restaurants in the community. Lots of plans and work to be done. Please come to the Board meeting on December 1<sup>st</sup> and help us make a decision.

**President Frank** announced that it was time to choose the Committees for this coming year. After discussion with members present, the following will be the Committees and their Chairpersons:

**YOUTH SERVICES: Dr. Phil Pinnow**

**YOUNG CHILDREN PRIORITY 1: Sue Harding**

**SCHOLARSHIPS: Sam Reynolds**

**SANTA DELIVERY: Connie Nagy/ Juanita Gehm/ Mike Whaley**

**HOUSE, RECEPTION/MEMBERSHIP: Larry Hunter**

**MANCHESTER KEY CLUB: Sam Reynolds**

**COVENTRY KEY CLUB: Lou Anne Derry**

**CIVIC CENTER: Russ Friess, President, Charlie Kepnes, Treas.**

**INTERCLUBS/CONVENTIONS: Tom Varley**

**SOCIAL PROGRAMS: Al Grzeschik**

**INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING: Tom Burge**

**LAWS AND REGULATIONS: TBA**

**PUBLIC RELATIONS/COMM. SERVICE/HUMAN& SPIRITUAL VALUES: Steve Engle**

**Tom Burge** announced the Friends of the Library Stocking Stuffer Book Sale on November 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 to 7:30 P.M. This will be in the Small Meeting room at the Portage Lakes Library on Manchester Rd. On sale will be their newest books at boutique prices (mostly \$1 and \$2).

**Tom Burge** also spoke about a project for Carol Eubank's granddaughter Cortney Ellis, who collected 700 teddy bears for the needy children at the Akron Children's Home in 2009 and would like to collect 1,000 this year. The project is called Operation Omi 2, in memory of her Oma (grandmother) who always loved teddy bears. You can brighten a child's Holiday with a new teddy bear or a new toy by calling 330-899-9157, or drop off in the Coventry area at 347 Dorwil Dr. Please leave donations in the plastic marked tubs on the porch. Members brought stuffed animals to the meeting and **Tom** took them to donate from us.

The Battered Woman's Shelter is having a drive between now and Thanksgiving for old cell phones. If you have any, please bring to the meeting and give to **Russ Friess or Tom Burge**. Any cords or documentation would be appreciated. We are still collecting and bring to meetings if you have any used cell phones.

**Larry Hunter** spoke about the New Year's Eve dinner here at the Civic Center and has tickets for sale at \$20 each. It will start at 6:30 and the main course will be beef tenderloin and everyone will bring covered dishes. Plans are underway for many things for the evening and would make it easy for those who may want to go to "First Night" downtown or on to other parties later in the evening. Contact Larry if you have any questions.

**Entertainment Books** for both Akron and Canton areas can be purchased at Chase Bank on Manchester Rd from **Connie Nagy** and at Akron Coin & Jewelry from **Vicki** and **Charlie Kepnes**. All-City and Magic City Kiwanis groups provide these books. PLK will earn a commission on these sales.

**2011 Portage Lakes Calendars** are hot off the presses. **Tom Burge and Tom Fry** are selling them for \$5 each. They are also available at Akron Coin & Jewelry, Inc.

**Acme Community Cashback** receipts are being collected by **Sandy Engle** and **Vicki Kepnes**. PLK will earn money for your grocery purchases.

**Kiwanis Christmas Cards are still available at meetings for \$20.00 per box!!! Don't miss out!!**

😊 **Happy Dollars Donated** 😊

**Larry Hunter** was happy to be back from their trip covering 2,990 miles and 9 stops visiting friends. They also just missed the terrible accident in which 50 cars were involved in thick fog.

**Glen Sheets** told us about his fishing trip to Lake Erie where he and two friends caught 90 perch! They limited out!!!! We were ready for another fish dinner!!!

**Vicki Kepnes** was glad that daughter Kimberly will make it home for a three day visit just before Thanksgiving!!

**Mike Ohi** had \$1000 happy dollars for us in thanks for the help with the Camp Y-Noah Haunted Hayride.

**Sue Harding** was happy to have had a nice early Thanksgiving with her brother from Missouri this weekend. She also took her mother to the eye doctor and it now looks like they both will have to have cataract surgery!! She then had a **Joe Klope** joke for us!!!

## Committee Reports

**Youth Services – Connie Nagy** announced that Santa Delivery had confirmed 9 Routes so far and are awaiting calls back on the rest. There will be a short Route Captains meeting on December 1<sup>st</sup> with Mike Whaley. On December 8 and 15<sup>th</sup> we will be wrapping gifts, please come and help us!! **Russ Friess** wants to remind us to make sure if you are pulling a sleigh, you need a 2" ball and a 4-way harness for the lights.

**Nominating Committee –** There are three Board seats open and **Al Grzeschik** has volunteered to fill either the VP or the President Elect position. Call to volunteer! Candidates for three of the board seats will be voted on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> and the balance will be appointed by the Board of Directors. Nominations are: **Debbie Rubino, Lou Anne Derry, Dr. Tim Husser, and Tom Varley.** If you are interested in serving on the Board, please contact **Al Grzeschik!!**

**Roster – It's time to check your personal information as they are almost ready to re-print. Call Al Grzeschik or Sue Harding with additions and corrections to the last edition.**

**Community Service – Sue Harding and Tom Fry** will continue to collect for Tammy's Totes. This will be an ongoing project. Donations of basic toiletries, stationery and first aid supplies will be appreciated; there were several donations brought in tonight and we will accept them for the next two meetings. Many thanks for participating in this worthwhile project.



**Post These Dates!**



**Nov 24 – Sign in at a Round Table**

**Nov 25 – Enjoy a Blessed Thanksgiving!**

**Dec 1 – Regular Meeting with dinner followed by Board Meeting and short meeting for the Route Captains.**