



# THE COMMUNICATOR

## Division 20 Meeting / Governor Visit

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December's

### Division 20 / Governor Visit

Is being held at: United Methodist Church in downtown Akron on Mill Street.

In addition to the regular Division 20 meeting which will start with dinner ( cost \$ 10.00 ) at 6:30 pm we will be participating in a:

### Serve the Homeless Project

#### Time: 5 pm to 8 pm

For the most part the women of United Methodist Church will be preparing the food which will be fed to the homeless. But starting at 4pm they will need people to help prepare food baskets in addition to those needed at 5 pm to help serve the food and hand out any of the donations that have been received.

What a great way to give back during the holidays. If you are willing to help out on December

10<sup>th</sup> please contact Sue Harding and let her know as we will need to provide them with a list of members who will be in attendance that night.

We all know that the holidays can be a busy, bustling time of year for everyone. Face it we are baking, decorating, picking up those last minute presents and wrapping everything. Preparing for holiday visits from family and friends.

So this may be a difficult time for you to attend this project

But be assured there are other ways you can spread some joy + help someone at the same time. From now thru the evening of December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 we will be collecting can goods and non perishable items, in addition to clean new or used

clothing for adults all the way down to children.

The items collected will be brought to United Methodist Church on December 10<sup>th</sup> and handed out to those in need.

Go simple a scarf or pair of gloves that you no longer wear will put a bright , energetic smile on someone's face. The sweater that you no longer wear could warm someone's heart this time of year.

Right now we have a group of 6 members who will be attending and will take all collected items with them.

Thank you in advance for your support of this project and may you and your family have :

**Blessed an Happy Holiday Season.**

### Special points of interest:

- Santa Delivery
- What are the Local Key Clubs doing for the Holidays
- Charter Party Information
- Quarter Auction
- Dates to Remember
- Thoughts & Prayers

### QUARTER AUCTION

This Saturday Evening from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm is the Quarter Auction hosted by Kerri of Kerri's Confections. She has assembled 23 various vendors to participate in this wonderful fund raising event. Each vendor has donated 1 - 2 items for Auction. Bids for each item will be placed in quarters. EX: An item with a \$ 19.99 retail value the bid would be one quarter, \$ 20 - \$ 39.99 = 2 quarter bid and so on.

The doors for this event will open at 6:00 pm arrive early as each vendor will have their table set up and have their item or items going up for auction on their tables. By arriving at 6:00pm you will have the opportunity to walk around meet the individual vendors, and look at the items to be auctioned off. Auctions will start at 7:00pm All ticket sales are on a pre sale basis at a cost of \$ 5.00 each. You will get one paddle that has been assigned a number. This is what you will use to bid with. There is also the opportunity to purchase more bidding paddles at the door.

Several items will be auctioned off and then we will take a brief intermission for everyone to again view what the vendors have for auction or sale and to have a little fellowship. We are providing snacks and drinks ( ie: water, tea, coffee and more ) for your enjoyment ) We hope to see everyone there. It is going to be a wonderful evening.

### Committee Chairperson's Needed

With in the Portage Lakes Kiwanis there are many committees that handle several different things through out the community.

Two of our key committee's are the President's Day Committee & the Membership Committee. For the past several years these committee's have thrived under the guidance of our own Mr. Larry Hunter.

Do to some unexpected family health issues Larry is stepping down from Chair person of these two committees so that he can spend more time at home where he is needed.

We are asking for volunteers to act as Chairperson of both or one of these committees.

**Presidents Day Committee:** as we all know February is presidents month. And what better time to show appreciation and celebrate the Presidents of our local businesses'. Each year Portage Lakes Kiwanis hosts a " Presidents Day Dinner " celebration.

We send out invitations early in the year to each of the local businesses in the Portage Lakes Area. They may attend themselves or send another individual to attend in their absence. Or bring several employee's with them.

This is our way of showing how much we appreciate what they do individually within and for the community. The chairperson for this committee in conjunction with its committee members would be responsible for spear heading and setting up the dinner, sending out invitations and running the program for the evening.

**Membership Committee:** March is membership month for Kiwanis. The chairperson for this committee would need to advertise and host a meeting / dinner where individuals have been invited. These individuals may or may not have heard of the things we do. But we want them to come enjoy a meal, fellowship and learn what Kiwanis is all about. Follow up with anyone who attended and see if there is an opportunity for them to attend anther meeting and become a possible member.

Those these chairmen will have other things to do throughout the year these are the two main things. Larry has done a wonderful job over the last several years and will be greatly missed. I f you had any concerns or questions on these committee's Larry would be able to guide you in the right direction.

If you have a desire to head up either or both of these committees, or would just like more information please contact either Larry Hunter or Jeff Goodwin.

#### Acme Receipts

Acme currently has Turkeys on sale for your holiday dinners. Purchase your turkey then turn in the receipt to Vicki for Cash back dollars

## Gearing up for Santa Delivery

Things at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center are definitely gearing up for Santa Delivery. Within the next week or so we will be posting the beginning and ending dates in addition to the drop off locations for your presents that you want Santa To Deliver on Christmas Eve.

Routes have been laid out as in past years and we have almost all of them covered. We are looking for several Santa's, Mrs Clauses or Elves whatever you would like to be for the Five routes that we have open this year. If you have an interest in being Santa this year and putting a smile on a child's face – Please contact Connie Nagy for more detailed information.

If you will be participating in Santa Delivery as a tow vehicle you will need to have a " Hitch and 4 way flat on your vehicle.

Friess Welding and Summit Trailer on S. Main Street will be helping again this year with put the hitch's and 4 way flat's on your vehicle.

If you need either of these item's please contact either Jeanette or Rick Bell @ 330-644-8160 to schedule and appointment.

Thank you in advance for your help and service on Christmas Eve to this time honored tradition in the Portage Lakes Area.

## Birthday's Club Anniversaries, Anniversaries

### BIRTHDAYS

#### NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

Jeff Goodwin November 1st

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Gordon & Nora Rice November 3rd  
 Jack & Joanne Sarver November 11th  
 Jacob & Bobbi Grimm November 13th  
 Tom & Carol Anne Varley November 21st

#### CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Dr. James Robinson 24 years  
 Jeff Goodwin 4 years

#### KIWANIS FAMILY

Please keep the following members and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they go through some trying times over the next several months:

Judy Hunter - Please continue to keep Judy, Larry and the entire family in your prayers through this difficult time.  
 Charlie & Vicki Kepnes & Family - Their grandson Matt fell from a tree stand in Southern Ohio this past weekend and was life flighted to Akron General Hospital with a rupture in his back. Matt is doing better and could possibly be moved to a private room by Friday with possibility of going home on Sunday. Thoughts and Prayers for Matt and the entire family are needed.

### KEY CLUB NEWS

**ELLET:** Collected \$ 70.00 for UNICEF /Project Eliminate. They are also making crafts to raise money for Wounded Warriors. Last weekend they participated in a Craft Show. And the week of November 4th through 8th they dedicated to doing small but AWESOME things around the school such as collecting gifts for the "Holiday Toy Room Program"

**MANCHESTER:** Participated in Rose Day Delivery—with the money that they earned helping deliver Roses they bought supplies and made up 75 lunches for "Spring Time of Hope." They are currently searching "dosomething.org" for other service projects for the remainder of the year.

#### COVENTRY:

Please continue to watch this section for updated news about our Key Clubs.

#### GUEST SPEAKERS

We are trying to schedule having a Guest Speaker once a month. And we would like to have it be someone you are interested in hearing from. SO.....

If there is someone in particular you would like to hear speak at one of our regular Wednesday Night Meetings please contact Jeff Goodwin and Let him know.

### CHARTER / CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's **Charter/ Christmas Party** will be held at the Civic Center on December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013 @ 6:30pm. The cost is \$ 12.00 per person and dinner will be catered by "Waterloo Restaurant". On the menu that evening you have a choice of Chicken or Meatloaf with rigatoni.

As we will need a head count of those who plan to attend please contact Jeff Goodwin and advise him of your plans.

We will need your reservation # no later than:

**Wednesday – December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

We welcome any guests that evening.  
 Thank you

#### Entertainment Books

Though Portage Lakes Kiwanis as a club will not be selling these Discount books this year we do have a source through "Magic City Kiwanis" to get books for anyone who would like one.

If interested please contact:

**Vicki Kepnes – Akron Coin & Jewelry**

The price per book is \$ 30.00. and well worth it for the number of discounts and coupons enclosed. At this time the available city's include: Akron & Canton. We will let everyone know in the coming weeks if they will be available for the Cleveland area.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- November 23rd -- QUARTER AUCTION Civic Center  
Doors open at 6:00 pm/ Auction Starts @ 7:00 pm  
Civic Center / 6:30 pm
- November 27th -- NO MEETING
- December 4th -- HAPPY THANKSGIVING  
Regular Meeting /  
NOVEMBER Board Meeting
- December 10<sup>th</sup> -- Division 20 Meeting, Visit & Serve the Homeless  
Project @ United Methodist Church 5-8 pm  
Dinner @ 6:30 pm \$ 10.00
- December 11<sup>th</sup> -- CHARTER & CHARTER PARTY @  
Civic Center
- December 18<sup>th</sup> -- Regular Meeting / Santa Delivery Preparation
- December 23<sup>rd</sup> -- Tow Vehicle Prep / 4-7 pm Civic Center
- December 24<sup>th</sup> -- Christmas Eve Santa Delivery
- December 25 -- MERRY CHRISTMAS
- December 31 -- New Year's Eve Party

#### REMINDER TO ALL BOARD MEETINGS:

All Board Meetings are held the last Wednesday of each month unless otherwise noted.

Please try to be in attendance as much as possible as the board needs your vote.



# Bacher Funeral Home

Joe

