



We Build!

***THE COMMUNICATOR***

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PLK NEWSLETTER

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**PRESIDENT FRANK SMITH** opened the meeting and led everyone in **The Pledge of Allegiance**; **SUE HARDING** led us in singing "America" and offered the invocation. .

### This Week's Celebrations



While we have no birthdays this week, **TOM** and **Carol VARLEY** celebrated their wedding anniversary on Nov. 21, and **CHARLIE** and **VICKI KEPNES** will celebrate theirs on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Both couples are celebrating 47 years together!!!! We had two Club Anniversaries this week; **GLENN BREITENSTINE** with 36 years, and **JAMES ROBINSON** with 22 years!!! Congratulations to everyone!!!

### CLUB ACTIVITIES

Keep working on selling the **Entertainment Books**. This is crunch time now and we can continue to sell thru Christmas. **AL GRZESCHIK** has posted the sale of the books on the Kiwanis web site and also to the list of Rose Day purchasers. If you find any outlets willing to sell them for us, contact **BOB DENGLER**, and he will set you up with all the tools you will need. With more sales, we can earn anywhere from \$5 to \$15 per book.

**VICKI KEPNES** asked everyone to remember to hand in any **ACME** receipts for the **Community Cashback** program. Please check your receipts for **Community Cashback** dollars. We get 5% of that total back!!! Thanksgiving shopping should bring in some large receipts!!!! Thanks for helping!!!



### HAPPY DOLLARS



**GLEN SHEETS** was happy that the trip to New York for the **Macy's Thanksgiving Parade** was fun. But on the flip side, **Beverly Fry** had a great time finding a new place to live (**Penthouse at the Plaza**) and found lots of great shops, like **Tiffany's**!!! Watch out **TOM**!!

**DR. PHIL PINNOW** told us about some of the history of his house on the lake, and how **LARRY HUNTER** helped him get his dock out of the water, and how **LARRY** (always the fisherman) ended up with a 2 lb. bass in the leg of his leaking wet suit!!! Quite a fish story!!!

**CHARLIE KEPNES** had three happy dollars. First was for **VICKI** coming down with him and emptying out the freezer in the Civic Center to put together the "Pot Luck Dinner" we had tonight. He also thanked **AL GRZESCHIK**, who brought the beef and **BONNIE SMITH** for helping get it all together. The second dollar was for the memory of their trip to **Monroe Michigan** 47 years ago this Saturday and the adventures they had that night!! The third dollar was for the construction on their new garage finally getting started today, due to all the rain we have had!!

**SUE HARDING** was happy to be back after her Thanksgiving trip to Texas to visit **Jimmy** and **Zach**, and told us about their adventure making a deep fried turkey, that did not quite make the dinner, and then heading to **Wichita** and **St. Louis** to visit the rest of her family. She then shared a **JOE KLOPE** story!!

### **NEWS IN OUR KIWANIS FAMILY**

**AL GRZESCHIK ANNOUNCED AT THE MEETING THAT JEFF GOODWIN HAS STEPPED UP TO TAKE THE POSITION OF VICE-PRESIDENT!!! JEFF IS AN AREA BUSINESS (INNOVATIVE AUTO CARE) AND WILL BRING SOME NEW IDEAS AND ENERGY TO OUR GROUP OF OFFICERS!!**

**REMINDER: BOB LONGWORTH has a new address now: Amherst Meadows, 1610 1<sup>st</sup>. Street N.E., Apartment 523, and Massillon, OH 44646. The Amherst Meadows facility phone no. is 330-830-8500. Stop in or send a note or call. We miss you BOB!!!**

**We are collecting donations for the OHIO DISTRICT FIRST LADY PROJECT; please bring small sample sizes of soap, toiletries, small stuffed animals, tooth paste tooth brushes, etc. These will go in back packs to be given to children who are being removed from their homes and most times do not have anything with them. Children's Services will be handling this thru Ohio District Kiwanis, and our area will be sent some also. This is ongoing and donations can be brought to meetings.**

**CHARLIE KEPNES announced that you may notice that the lighting is brighter in the Civic Center, which is due to installing all new energy efficient lights. You may also have noticed the parking lot was resurfaced with all new bumpers which have reflector stripes on them. These projects are the direct result of having two successful large fund raisers this year. Pirates Day and Rose Remembrance Day raised enough money to make them possible. Many thanks to all members who worked very hard to make this happen!!! Pirates Day thank you letters are being readied to be sent out and we plan to include flyers announcing this coming Pirates Day Reverse Raffle/Silent Auction to be held on Saturday, July 21, at Prime at Anthes!!!**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

**Kiwanis International is sponsoring a membership contest and the clubs with the largest increase in membership will win money to be donated to the ELIMINATE PROJECT!! Please think of someone who would make a good member for us!!! SUE HARDING HEARD FROM DON REILLY WHO IS IN ARIZONA AND VERY BUSY WITH TWO KIWANIS CLUBS THERE AND ALSO WORKING WITH THE KEY CLUBS. HE IS WORKING ON HIS HOUSE BETWEEN DOING ALL HIS VOLUNTEER WORK!!!**

**There will be a Pirates Day Meeting on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at the Portage Lakes Public Library at 6:30. This is for the groups that will be participating.**

**NOTE: Our Pirates Day Fundraiser Committee will meet sometime in January. Start thinking up ideas we can add this year!!!**

### CHRISTMAS/CHARTER PARTY SOCIAL

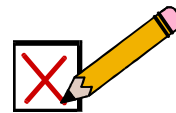
Next Wednesday we will be meeting at Prime 93 for our CHARTER/CHRISTMAS Party on December 7<sup>th</sup>. We have approximately 28 attending at this point. If you wish to attend, you will need to contact us by Monday Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at the latest. The menu choices are: Lemon Herb Chicken \$21.00, Broiled Scrod \$25.00, 6oz, Filet Mignon \$25.00 and Lasagna \$21.00. All entrees are served with a house salad, red skinned potatoes, famous sourdough rolls, bean salad, dessert, and a choice of coffee, tea or soda. Price includes tax and gratuity. There will be an open bar. This will be a very special evening of fellowship and a chance to recognize members and friends who have helped us throughout the year!! We will have door prizes too!!! Please plan on attending. Call: Vicki 330-618-8795, or Al 330-330-896-0050!! Thanks!!

### SANTA DELIVERY

ALL ROUTE CAPTAINS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AT THIS DATE. WE HAVE ONE ROUTE OPEN THIS YEAR AND IT IS ROUTE 11. ALL VEHICLES NEED TO BE AT THE CIVIC CENTER ON DECEMBER 23, TO MEET WITH GENE COLE TO HAVE THE LIGHTS AND SPEAKERS INSTALLED. THIS IS BETWEEN 3-7 P.M. FRIESS WELDING WILL CHECK ALL CONNECTIONS. YOU NEED TO HAVE A 4-WAY PLUG AND A 2" BALL IN YOUR HITCH. **SANTA SUITS** CAN BE PICKED UP ON DEC. 14<sup>TH</sup> AND DEC. 21<sup>ST</sup>!!



PLEASE POST THESE DATES



- DEC 5-21 SANTA DELIVERY DROP OFF AT LOCATIONS OPEN!!
- DEC. 7 **CHARTER/CHRISTMAS PARTY AT PRIME 93!!!!!!**
- DEC. 14 REGULAR MEETING/ WRAPPING GIFTS
- DEC. 14 & 21 PICK UP **SANTA SUITS** AT CIVIC CENTER
- DEC. 21 REGULAR MEETING/WRAPPING AND SORTING GIFTS
- DEC. 23 GENE COLE PUTTING LIGHTS/SPEAKERS ON CARS/  
FRIESS WELDING TO CHECK ALL SLEIGHS  
**NOTE: ALL CARS/TRUCKS NEED FLAT 4-WAY PLUGS AND 2" BALL!!!!**
- DEC. 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE/ SANTA DELIVERY**
- DEC. 31 NEW YEARS' EVE PARTY AT CIVIC CENTER!!!!