



THE COMMUNICATOR

UPCOMING LEVY RENEWALS IN YOUR AREA

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This coming May 5th, 2015 Coventry and Manchester Local School Districts as well as the Coventry Fire & EMS Department will have several Renewal Levy's up for vote.

Are any of us 100% sure of how these levy's affect us personally or how they will affect our Schools and Fire/ EMS Departments.

Well before the actual voting process begins on May 5th, 2015 in an effort to keep our members and the community as a whole updated and informed - our Guest Speaker Committee has invited 3 distinguished gentlemen to attend the meeting and review these issues.

Portage Lakes Kiwanis would like to extend this invitation to all members, their wives or husbands, neighbors, relatives and the general public as a whole to join us:

Wednesday: April 29th, 2015
Time: 6:30pm
Location: Kiwanis Civic Center

For dinner, fellowship and a some information about the upcoming levy renewals.

If you are planning to attend for dinner please contact: Vicki Kepnes or the Civic Center @ 330-644-8967 so that she may plan appropriately for dinner.

Our sincere hope is that anyone who attends will listen with an open mind and ask questions if there is something you are unsure of.

And that you will be provided with all the necessary information you need before going and casting your ballot at the poles in May.

Our Guest Speakers for the evening will be:

Coventry Local Schools Superintendent:
Mr. Russell Chaboudy

Manchester Local Schools Superintendent:
Dr. James Robinson

Coventry Fire & Ems Chief:
Chief John Dolensky

We would like to **Thank** our Guest Speakers and all who attend in advance for taking this time to learn more about their community in order to make the best judgement when voting.

Special points of interest:

- AREA LEVY'S
- UPCOMING EVENTS
- GUEST SPEAKERS / FIELD TRIPS

This is a project near and dear to many hearts. Kiwanis International took on the responsibility along with Unicef to provide Neo Natal Tetnus Shots to mothers in third world countries.

This series of 3 shot will protect one mother and her unborn children for a life time. And it only takes \$ 1.60 to provide these shots.

Kiwanis International has enlisted the help of Kiwanis Clubs all over the world.

Our own Vicki Kepnes collaborated with the Coral Gables, FL Kiwanis Club and decided to start the baby bottle **Fundraiser Project** for eliminate. At the time the goal of \$ 1,000 was set and we can proudly

Project Eliminate

say that Vicki and the other club members have met that challenge.

Is the " Baby Bottle Project " stopping at this point? Oh no we are continuing with the project and also trying to enlist the help of other non members in the community. How you ask? We are asking several of the area retailers to place baby bottles (large ones) on the counters in their establishments, you would be surprised how those pennies, quarters, nickels and dimes add up. When you go to drop that change in the bottom of your purse or in your pocket - Just think " These little bits of change might just change someone's life Then reach over a little instead of down and drop that change in the baby bottle.

Project II:

In addition to the Baby Bottle Project we are also holding the

" First Annual Car Show "
Date: June 13th, 2015
Donation: \$ 10.00

Time: 10:00 am - 2:00pm
Location: Kiwanis Civic Center

There will also be gift bags from Summitt Racing Equipment, Baskets Ruffled off, 50/50 + a concession stand.

(All proceeds will be donated to Project Eliminate)

Take a step with a baby bottle and or attend / participate in the car show.

(see flyer attached.

You just never know who's life you might change by doing this.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN PORTAGE LAKES

JUNE 2015

2ND ANNUAL PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS MOTORCYCLE POKER RUN



To **BENEFIT** campers @
ROTARY CAMP
DATE: JUNE 6TH, 2015
REGISTRATION TIME: 11:00 AM
BLESSING OF THE BIKES BEFORE THIS BEAUTIFUL
RELAXING 100 MILE RIDE
FOLLOWED BY: FOOD, DOOR PRIZES, MUSIC, FOOD
FOR ALL WHO PARTICIPATE AND ANNOUNCEMENT
OF 1ST, 2ND & 3RD PRIZE WINNERS.
ENDING LOCATION:
HOWIES ON THE LAKE
NO BIKE, NO PROBLEM BY YOUR HAND AT HOWIES:
JOIN US AND HELP PUT A SMILE ON A CHILDS FACE

PORTAGE LAKES KIWANIS Presents CRUISE IN CAR SHOW

JOIN US
Saturday, June 13th, 10:00AM TO 2:00PM



At The Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center
725 Portage Lakes Drive
\$ 10 DONATION
Benefiting The Eliminate Project
Live music, (Buddy & Charlie K) Concession Stand,
50/50 Drawing
Summit Racing Goody Bags

For more information contact;
Jeff@InnovativeAutocare.com

JULY 2015

5TH ANNUAL PIRATE DAYS KIDS TREASURE HUNT

JULY 18TH – 11:00AM TO 3:00PM
STATE PARK – SWIM BEACH
KIDS ACTIVITIES, BOAT RIDES CONCESSION AND
MERCHANDISE STAND – NEW AND EXCITING THINGS THIS
YEAR **AND MORE PIRATES THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE**
Want more details watch our Facebook page and view our website @
www.plkiwanis.org

AUGUST 2015

5th ANNUAL REVERSE RAFFLE / SILENT AUCTION

AUGUST 8TH, 2015
PRIME 93
5:30 – 11

Tickets are now available:

RED \$ 100.00 includes a position in the Reverse Raffle + Grub
BLUE \$ 35.00 includes Grub

(all tickets include beer & wine, bidding on silent & Chinese Auction items and the Live Auction
Items, costume contest and more)

SO get your ticket early, get your costume ready and be prepared for an exciting evening in the
Portage Lakes. More details to follow soon.



April Birthday's Club Anniversaries, Anniversaries

BIRTHDAY'S

Vicki Kepnes April 20th
 Chet Brown April 23rd
 Cheryl Luck April 26th

ANNIVERSARIES

Paul & Betty Schuckert April 3rd
 Robert & Rebecca Goff April 11th
 Debbie & Mike Rubino April 15th

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Mr. Jack Sarver 14 years
 Mr. John Schermesser 34 years

GUEST SPEAKERS

The month of May instead of having a guest speaker at our Wednesday Night Meeting – We will be taking a field trip. May 13th, 2015 we will be traveling to Hattie's Gardens down in the valley. We will update you within the next several weeks on travel and departure times from the Civic Center.

In the future if you have a speaker you would like to hear please contact either: Kat Rebovich or Jeff Goodwin with any suggestions.

"KIWANIS FAMILY "

Each day as your sitting in your house, waking up in the morning , prior to going to bed for the evening or even while working you're your yard please take a moment to keep all of our Kiwanis Family Members and their Families in your thoughts and prayers.

Mark your Calendars in ADVANCE

- June 6th - 2nd Annual Poker Run ending at Howies on the Lake
- June 6th - Club Leadership Education Workshop
Barberton Library 8am - Noon
- June 13th - 1st Annual Car Show - Civic Center 10 AM - 2PM
(Show your car for \$ 10 donation or attend and view the cars)
- June 19th - Rubber Ducks BaseBall Game / Fireworks Night
- June 25th - 28th - Kiwanis International Convention Indianapolis
- July 17th - 19th Pirate Days Treasure Island Weekend Activities
- August 8th - Pirate Days Reverse Raffle/ Silent Auction
- August 14 - 16 Ohio District Convention @ Doubletree Cleveland

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 29th - Regular Meeting – Guest Speakers
- May 6th - Regular Meeting – Election of Officers
- May 13th - Field Trip to: Hattie's Garden (info soon)
(Any questions please contact: Kat Rebovich or Jeff Goodwin)
- May 19th - Div 20 Meeting @ PLK – Guest Speaker Larry Lanton
(please confirm reservations with Vicki Kepnes)
- May 20th - Regular Meeting – Committee Meetings

Notice to all Members: Please do your best to attend on May 6th for the Election of Officers – we need everyone in attendance.

Notice to all Board Members:
 Please note that all Board Meetings are held the last WEDNESDAY of each month. If this changes due to scheduling of the Civic Center we will try to notify everyone in advance.

April's Board Meeting will be on: **May 6th, 2015**

It is imperative to have all board members in attendance on a board meeting night to assure that all necessary items can be voted on accordingly. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Ohio District Project: Collect shoes new, used any shape or size and style and turn them into Vicki Kepnes. Someone out there will get great use out of them.

RUBBER DUCK'S GAME

Tickets are being held at this time. But time is running out – If you would like to attend this Rubber Ducks ball game/fireworks night on

June 19th, 2015 @ 7:00pm

Ticket Cost: \$ 7.00 each

Please reserve your number of tickets with **Al Grzeschik** no later than **May 19th, 2015**

It definitely promises to be a night to remember.