



Kiwanis®

CLUB OF TROY

Newsletter

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2023



A Message from our President

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!

HAPPY 100 YEARS ~ Kiwanis Club of Troy Ohio!

I can't believe it is 2023, and it's going to be a FANTASTIC year. We have lots of exciting and fun things happening within the club, to include **the** 100 Year Celebration Event. It is going to be the talk of all Kiwanis Clubs for years to come!

I have met with Aktion Club and the Membership Committee as part of my president project, and I will be meeting soon with Key Club and the other committees. The purpose is to re-engage all of our committees and clubs to get back on track with all of the necessary "club" things.

I am learning so much about each committee and club, and learning how to help out and/or re-organize to keep growing and moving forward. Also, to help our Aktion and Key Clubs continue to grow in membership and including/encouraging both clubs to work together with us to create that wonderful comradery we had before Covid stepped in and made everything a big mess.

I feel that by communicating what is going on and what is needed is helping tremendously. I am thrilled to see the changes already making a difference. Keep up the great work!!!

The 2023 Celebration is 8 Months away! Mark Your Calendars – Saturday, September 30, 2023 There is going to be food, music, dancing, singing, and much more. 100 Years is a huge accomplishment and we should all be proud to be members of Kiwanis Club of Troy. Stay tuned for more information about purchasing tickets, etc. for this awesome event.

Also, do you know what Orville Redenbacher, Edward VIII – Duke of Windsor, Thomas Edison, and John Watts Young – Astronaut, all have in common?

Give Up? – *They were all former Kiwanis Members* 😊

Wishing you all a Joyous January and a Happy Happy 2023!!!

Carrie Kendall

Kiwanis Club President 2022-2023

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Meetings: Every

Wednesday at 12p

Board Meetings:

Third Wednesday of

every month,

immediately following

membership meeting

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Krista Smith

Penny Hoekstra

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Jeremy Tomb

Dale Wittman

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Melissa Nichols

JANUARY



Weekly Speakers @ Membership Meetings

January 4 - No Meeting

January 11 - No Noon Meeting. 5:30pm 2023 Celebration @ Troy YMCA

January 18 - Kiwanis In-House Meeting & Kiwanis Financial Review

January 25 - TBD

Family Abuse Shelter Visit

A year later and you can still feel the magic put into the Family Abuse Shelter by the Kiwanis Club of Troy. We took a tour and were reminded of the many areas where we donated for their building.

A special thank you to the Board for approving the pizza purchase at Trojan Horse for all Kiwanis members to enjoy lunch as well as the families and employees at the shelter. Also, a thank you to Trojan Horse for discounting the meal and throwing in several orders of cheesy bread for free.



Happy New Year!



2023 Celebration of Kiwanis Clubs

DON'T FORGET!

It is time to celebrate! Join fellow Kiwanians, Key Clubbers, and Aktion Club Members at the 2023 Celebration for our clubs on January 11, 2023 to talk about our plans for the new year.

The celebration starts at 5:30 pm at the YMCA in Troy – located on 25A. Bring your spouse &/or significant other to join in the festivities.

Kiwanis Club will provide the main dish: Pulled Pork and Chicken. Attendees are asked to bring a side dish or a dessert.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Happy New Year!!!!



Wow, what a fantastic year we had and what a *dream* of a year we will have this year while celebrating our **100th Anniversary!** Our goal is to grow our membership, but we need “**your**” help. We will be having a *Membership Drive* and **DEMAND** – Oops, excuse me, sorry, “request” that everyone try to make the meeting on that day and to bring at least one guest if not two or more.

Let’s face it, we have an awesome club of members who volunteer unselfishly of their time. However, our size is small. We need to make it easier on ourselves by recruiting additional members who want to be part of our group and to be able to help us at our many events! Now is a good time to make that NEW YEAR RESOLUTION by thinking of friends, co-workers, acquaintances, or family members to invite to become a Kiwanian. I hope everyone enjoyed Christmas and everyone is having a blessed New Year.

Thank you,
Mark Schmitmeyer



Get Excited About Kiwanis Meetings

We want to see you...all of our members! While you only need to attend six (6) meetings each year, why not come to more? It is a great way to hear what's going on, see your fellow Kiwanians AND step away from the daily grind.

You never know the kind of fun that will be had at a weekly Kiwanis meeting! Just a few weeks ago, Mark Schmitmeyer auctioned off a delicious, seasonal Peppermint Chip Milkshake for \$15. Bill Furay was our lucky winner of this treat.



Toy Drive - Part 3

The 3-part Toy Drive was not only lots of fun for everyone involved but successful too thanks to all of you! Kiwanis, in partnership with Buffalo Wild Wings and Power 107.1 was able to provide 54 kids with gift cards through Isaiah's Place AND 150 Angels were filled.

It's moments like this we remember why we are Kiwanians! We look out for the children in our community and are clearly passionate about making a difference. Community driven.



AKTION CLUB - SPONSORED COMMITTEE

Greetings, fellow Kiwanians,

We had our annual Aktion Club "Wrapping Party" at our December 7 meeting. We had a great turnout with additional help from Troy Kiwanis President, Carrie Kendall and Piqua Kiwanis President, Mark Wion. They both spoke about their individual clubs, the activities they are involved in and the history of their clubs. Aktion Club members thought it was nice to meet them in person. All participants had fun wrapping the gifts we bought last month for a 4-year-old child in need. We purchased lots of toys, clothes and bedding for him and wrapped it all up while listening to Christmas music and enjoying Christmas treats.

As we look ahead, we are excited for these upcoming events:

- January 4 Aktion Club Meeting from 3:30-4:30pm at Riverside. (Join us, if you can!)
- January 11 Troy Kiwanis Club's New Year's Party. We hope to have several members in attendance to give updates on the club's plans for 2023.

Thank you again for your support for people of all abilities who wish to serve our community. We look forward to another successful year with you all!

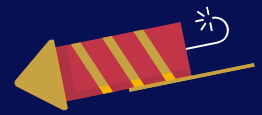
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Aktion Club of Miami County!

Krista Smith, Co-Advisor
Aktion Club of Miami County



COMMUNITY OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Happy Happy New Year Kiwanis Club!!!



I hope you have all had an AWESOME Holiday Season with family & friends. Now it's that time of year to start gearing up for all the fun and craziness that comes with fundraisers and community outings. Below is a list of booked events to date. Please mark your calendars with these dates. Sign-up information will be emailed to all members a few weeks prior to each event. You can then pick the date(s) and time(s) that you are available to volunteer for that event. Remember - members now have a minimum requirement to volunteer, per the membership agreement.

January 11, 2023 – New Year Celebration with Key Club & Aktion Club 5:30p – 11:30p @ YMCA in Troy Kiwanis will be providing the main dish, and we are asking members who plan on attending to bring a dish to share. A Sign-Up Genius link with all of the details was sent out in early December, and will be sent again as a reminder. Also, significant others are welcome to join as well – we ask that when you signup, put a +1 beside your name so we know you are bringing a guest. Please contact Carrie Kendall at 937-307-4527 with any questions you may have.

April 22, 2023 – Kiwanis Annual Pancake Breakfast @ Duke Lundgard Building **More information to follow*

June 2, 3, & 4, 2023 – Strawberry Festival @ Downtown Troy **Paperwork has been filed *More information to follow*

August 25 & 26, 2023 – Tour de Donut @ Downtown Troy **More information to follow*

**We will also be participating in Non-Profit Night in Downtown Troy, and we will also be selling the Buckeye Raffle Tickets again that will include a few events for selling tickets.*

September 30, 2023 – Kiwanis Club of Troy ~ 100 Year Celebration **More information to follow in regards to volunteering in the planning and set up / tear down of the event. The goal is that this event will mostly run itself so members will be able to relax and enjoy the celebration. *This is one event that you will NOT want to miss!!!*

Again, the Community Outreach Committee will do the best we can to keep everyone in the loop of all the upcoming events. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or suggestions you may have.

Thanks to all the members for all your hard work and volunteer hours! Without you, we could not do what we do for kids and our community.

See you in 2023!!!

Carrie Kendall
Community Outreach Chairlady

