

October 2022

Newsletter



A Message from our President

Hello Fellow Kiwanians!

Let me start by saying that it has been a pleasure to serve as your president over the past year. I truly love being a part of this wonderful organization and look forward to all we have coming up in our 100th year of being a service organization in Troy Ohio. As I hand over the bell this month to Carrie Kendall, I know I am leaving you in good hands and I wish her the best of luck as she takes over as Club President.

As a club, we went way beyond my projected expectations this year for fundraising, and I have all of you to thank for that. We had an amazing year and it was well worth the time spent as it gives us that much more opportunity to help those in need.

We have lots of exciting projects coming up as we press forward into the cooler months. Remember to keep an eye out for good deals on coats, hats and gloves as we will be kicking off our coats for kids campaign soon and getting hats and gloves to the young children we read and provide books to.

I look forward to continued growth with this club and can't wait to see what the next year brings.

Sincerely,

Lori Gross – Kiwanis Club of Troy President 2021-22

Officers 2021-2022

<u>President</u> Lori Gross

<u>President Elect</u> Carrie Kendall

Vice President
Chuck Fox

<u>Secretary</u> Penny Hoekstra

<u>Treasurer</u> Rob Burnette

<u>Immediate Past President</u> Shelly Calvert

<u>Board of Directors</u>

Angela Benedict Erskine Caldwell Amie Jones Kim Meier Jesse O'Rourke Erin Scott

Meetings: Every Wednesday at 12p

Board Meetings: Third Wednesday of every month, immediately following membership meeting

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WEEKLY SPEAKERS @ MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

October 05 - Project Believe

October 12 - Board Member Induction

October 19 - Partners in Hope

October 26 - TBD



Now is the time to think about new members for joining our wonderful, worthwhile organization. Who doesn't want to help kids in our community?

Please try to think of one or two people to invite to our meetings that you may think wants to be part of a fun group and help us out at fundraising events.

The more members, the merrier!

Also, a big thank you to Lori, Carrie and Penny for picking up the reigns for me and making the Kiwanis picnic the success it was.

Thank you,

Mark Schmitmeyer







It's that time of year again to Build a Shoebox for boys and girls ages 2–14! These shoeboxes will help children around the world.

Kiwanis Goal: 30

Pick up starting: October 12

Due by: November 16 **Shipping Cost**: \$10.00

Don't have time to build a shoebox, use this QR code below to have a shoebox built for you for only \$25.00!





Several weeks ago Tom Kelptz spoke with us about the STEP Initiative, (Stadium Turf Enhancement Program). This program is trying to raise \$4.3 million dollars for artificial turf to replace the grass fields at the Troy Memorial Stadium and Ferguson Field, located behind the high school on Ferguson Drive. I am proposing that the Kiwanis Club of Troy contribute \$25,000 to help achieve this goal.

The benefits of this program are huge to the students and the community, while achieving the goal of service to children and the community of Troy. There are probably few children in Troy who have not accessed these fields as either a participant in sports or by cheering Troy's teams as a fan. Having a turf field will allow the Troy Stadium to attract play off games that can only be played on turf fields. This is a boon not only for the stadium but to the city of Troy while hosting those games.

The Executive Board passed a motion requesting the members to vote to authorize this expenditure on October 26th.

Thank you for your consideration. Erskine Caldwell



Time to Update your Information

If your address, phone number or email needs updated in the Kiwanis directory, now is the time to do so! Penny will be making changes next month so please get with her to update your information. This will be the *ONLY* update to the directory through 10/23.

All Kiwanis Clubs and members are welcome to attend the District Installation Luncheon. As previously released via the Buckeye Bulletin and Facebook, it is slated to occur at noon on Saturday, October 1st in North Canton, Ohio. Please consider representing your club or sending another representative or delegation. Thank you for all that you do for the children of the world!



January 11: New Years Party/Meeting with Key Club/Aktion Club – This will be a dinner time meeting with all the clubs to share upcoming events and projects.

April 22: Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast – Duke Lundgard Building

June 2-4: Strawberry Festival – Downtown & Levee in Troy

August 25–26: Tour de Donut – Downtown Troy

September 30: KIWANIS 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Hello Kiwanians!! Happy Happy Fall!!!



The Community Outreach Committee has been meeting once a month to keep up on all the fundraisers as well as any community events that we can get involved with. Below is information that we currently have scheduled for the rest of 2022 into 2023.

Enchanted Weekend – November 4, 5, & 6 *Parking lot across from City Building.

This weekend Kiwanis will be kicking off our Toy Drive. We will be collecting Toys for Miami County Children Services, and Monetary Donations/Gift Cards for Isaiah's Place. These will be added to the Toy Drive with BW3's & Power 107.1 on Saturday, December 3rd. We also we will be selling drinks and possibly pre-packaged snacks out of the trailer. Santa will also be joining us on Saturday & Sunday to pass out candy canes, books, and collect early Christmas orders from kids ©

Official Angel Tree Lighting & Toy Drive Kickoff @ BW3's - November 23

We will be lighting the Official Angel Tree at 7pm on November 23. We are asking that Kiwanians come out and share in the fun as well as help sell raffle tickets that night to win cool gifts. BW3's has a DJ coming and Harris will be bringing their Bling Machine down as well. We will need some volunteers to sell raffle tickets that night too.

Toy Drive – 11am to 5pm at BW3's December 3

We will be collecting toys and monetary donations all day with BW3's and Power 107.1. We will need volunteers as we will have our Trailer out front with complimentary hot cocoa and to help carry in donations. This is a fun and exciting day, and we will bring so much joy to kids at Miami County Children's Service & Isaiah's Place.

Hot Chocolate Will is Back!!! - December 3

We will be pulling the trailer from BW3's to Will Barnes' House. He is known as the "Hot Chocolate Kid". He will be serving Hot Chocolate and baked goods for a donation. All of the proceeds he donates to World Vision. He started this as a project at Troy Christian, and he has still continued to this fundraiser until Covid – and now as a Freshman at THS, he wants to start it back up again!! Let Carrie Kendall know if you would be able to donate some baked goods or Hot Chocolate items for this event. He will be open Sat., Dec 3 thru Mon. Dec 5.

Holiday Lights at Lost Creek Reserve – The application for volunteering this event has been submitted and we have a confirmation of receipt. We did this event last year, and they try to include ALL the non-profits, so while we seem to get the opportunity every other year, we still submitted the application in case there was a lack of clubs or non-profits volunteering. Stay Tuned ©

The Community Outreach and Trailer Committee have been very busy with all of these fundraisers and events. I thank all of them that are on our committee, as well as the Trailer Committee, and ALL of our Kiwanis Club members who help & volunteer to make all of these events Successful & Fun. Together, we are making a HUGE difference in our community, and we should ALL be very proud of our Kiwanis Club!!!!

Please forward any questions or ideas for the Community Outreach Committee to Carrie Kendall - Chairman.

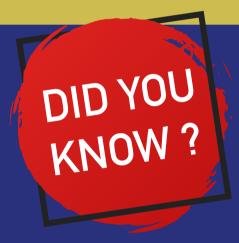
AKTION CLUB - SPONSORED COMMITTEE

On September 7, several Aktion Club members traveled to the levy area at Troy Community Park to do an annual park clean-up community service. We brought along our own trash bags and gloves to get the job done right! We did not pick up anything sharp or that looked unsafe to touch. With that said, the park/levy area was in pretty good shape and we all only retrieved a few items each within our allotted hour. It was a beautiful day and everyone had a lot of fun helping our community stay clean.



On October 15, Aktion Club members are planning to attend another Honor Flight Welcome Home Celebration at Dayton International Airport. The bus will leave Riverside at 8pm. Kiwanis Club members are welcome to join! For more information, contact Krista Smith at 937–310–3260 or krista.smith@riversidedd.org.







Aktion Club, sponsored by Kiwanis International, is a community service club for adults with disabilities. It provides members an opportunity to develop initiative & leadership skills to serve their community.

We would love to see you at our monthly meetings! ALL Kiwanis members are invited.







Aktion Club is looking for a Co-Advisor.

Contact Krista Smith if you are interested!