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The Piquanian

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REGULAR MEETINGS

1st, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays
of the month at noon

WORK PROJECTS

2nd Saturday of the month

BOARD MEETINGS

3rd Wednesday of the month
follows the Regular Meeting

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President's Message

Greetings everyone!

Hard to believe that Summer is almost here! Our Kiwanis year seems to have gone by so quickly. Only four more months to go for this Kiwanis year. Our reading program at The Head Start in Piqua is finished for this school year. The Bike Rodeo with Taste of The Arts in Downtown Piqua went smoothly and was a success. See page 4 for more on the Bike Rodeo.

We will once again be helping out with the Salvation Army Summer Feeding Program this summer. More information can be found on page 3. Our Linear Park cleanup day in May had to be canceled due to the weather. So we will try again on Saturday, June 10th. Details are on page 2 under Saturday Work Project. Please consider volunteering for one or both of the above community service opportunities.

For the past three months, Joe Gebhart and I have been spreading the word about Kiwanis and our club via WPTW Radio. Every fourth Thursday at 9:00AM we get a chance to talk about the things that we do and our upcoming events.

We are going to use the summer months to work on membership. We have lots of great plans ahead, one being starting a new K Kid program at Piqua Catholic. They are very excited about getting K Kids, but we will need more members in order to run this new project.

We have also made some changes to our regular meetings. Starting this July, the third Wednesday of the month will be our business meetings. The first part of these meetings will start with individual committees coming together to discuss committee business. Each committee will then have a chance to report to all in attendance what was discussed.

Last but not least, we have been working on trimming our current thirteen committees down to four, with the idea of eliminating redundancy and grouping like activities. Once this is finalized, we will send out a new list to the members.

And finally, congratulations are in order for Kelly Meckstroth who was elected as our president for next year. We are still in need of a president elect if anyone is interested.

In His Name

Mark Wion



HOUSE CLEANING

BIRTHDAYS

Jerry Sowers (June 4), Wayne Thomas (June 19)

ANNIVERSARIES

Wayne Thomas (June 19), Joe Gebhart (June 20), Wayne Flory (June 21)

WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS*

June 7 Business Meeting

June 21 WPTW Radio
Clint Meyers will do a presentation about WPTW.

Board Meeting immediately follows.

June 28 Tri County Board of Mental Health
Beth Adkins will talk about the Tri County Board of Mental Health.

* Wednesday meetings are held from noon to 1pm at the Piqua YWCA, 418 N. Wayne St., unless stated otherwise.

Currently, we do not meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

Programs may be subject to change. In such cases, members will be emailed.

Current program information is also available on our website at www.piquakiwanis.org.

Lunch reservations must be made by noon on the Monday prior to the Wednesday meeting.

Contact Dennis Carity at 937-418-8478 to order a meal.

SATURDAY WORK PROJECT

June 10 Linear Park Clean Up.
Clean up begins at 9 a.m. at Lock Nine Park and finishes at French Park.

Newsletters are published at the first of the month. Please email news items to mark1greenwood@gmail.com.
Items must be received at least one week prior to publication

THE BACK BURNER



Something to keep on the back burner:

Salvation Army Summer Feeding Program in August

We will be looking for volunteers in the month of August to distribute lunches in the Salvation Army's food van. This is an extremely worthwhile community service opportunity. Watch for signup dates in future newsletters club emails, and at club meetings.

For more information or to volunteer contact Mark Wion.

PIQUA KIWANIS BIKE ROEDO

Our annual Bike Rodeo with Key Club on May 12 was the biggest yet. Dispite rain most of the evening we still had two children go through the bike course and we gave out 42 bike helmets! Gretchen Roeth is pictured below giving free helmets to three of our Bike Rodeo attendees.



A WELL DESERVED PARTY FOR K KIDS!

Piqua Central Intermediate School K Kids were joined by family members at a pizza party to celebrate the end of a year of club meetings and community service projects. There were over 120 in attendance!



PCIS K Kids pizza party

NO TIME FOR CLOWNING AROUND!

Despite Kiwanian Marijo Poling's outfit she delivered a serious presentation on geocaching. Marijo is our resident expert on geocaching and is pictured below with "How to Puzzle Cache" by Cully Long. This is a useful resource for newbies wanting to try their hand at geocaching.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS!

This year we gave away a total of \$3,000 in scholarships, one to a Lehman senior and two to Piqua High seniors. Scholarships were awarded as follows:

A \$1,000 scholarship went to Matthew Galbreath, a Piqua resident attending Lehman Catholic.

Piqua High student and Key Club member Olivia Anthony received a \$1,000 scholarship.

Rachel Cavender of Piqua High and a former K Kids member was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.



EXERCISE THOSE "GEARS" BETWEEN YOUR EARS

Give the following puzzlers a try! (answers will appear in next month's newsletter)

1. Which tire doesn't move when a car turns right?
2. Where does today come before yesterday?
3. A sundial has the fewest moving parts of any timepiece. Which has the most?
4. What do you throw out when you want to use it but take in when you don't want to use it?
5. In which sport are the shoes made entirely of metal?

----- answers to the puzzlers in the May newsletter -----

1. What building in Dayton Ohio has the most stories?
answer: **The Dayton Metro Library**. It contains thousands of stories.
2. What can you keep after giving it to someone?
answer: **your word**
3. What can be driven although it doesn't have wheels, sliced but stays whole?
answer: **a golf ball**
4. In which sport do winners move backwards and losers move forwards?
answer: **tug-of-war**
5. A man was born in 1955. He's alive and well today at age 33. How is this possible?
answer: **he was born in room number 1955 at the hospital**