



Kiwanis Communicator

May, 2010

Monthly Newsletter of the Kiwanis Club of Tiffin, Ohio



From the President...

YIPPEEE! Spring has sprung isn't it wonderful to see the daffodils and crocuses blooming. It has been a long winter. Things have been a little quiet the past couple of months in the community service area, but, hopefully the change in weather will rectify that. Bonnie Boroff organized the Daffodil Days for the Cancer Society. Club members provided service hours at Bob Evans March 19-20 and the Aktion Club covered Big Lots. A Game Night was enjoyed Friday, March 19th by many Manor residents, Key Club and Kiwanis members. Fun was had by all playing Dominos, Sorry, Yahtzee, Wii and more. The Club hosted the Lt. Governor Mary Ann Snider on March 18th. Mary Ann shared her goals for the year with club members. Several

members attended the Ohio District Education Day in Columbus March 13th. The focus of the day was on membership growth and retention. Everyone gathered great ideas to bring back to our club. Our next opportunity for community service was Kiwanis One Day, April 10th. We had two different projects. Julie Adkins organized a Young Children Priority One project at Family Fest. Julie, Sharon Rigby and Ed Smith handed out choke tubes to families. The other project involved the Key Club painting and removing graffiti at Applejack Park. Several members attended the Division Council meeting April 21st in Fremont. Our club was awarded the Kiwanis Inter-clubbing is Something Special award in recognition of outstanding fellowship and willingness to go the extra mile. Thank you Ray Wise for coordinating inter-clubs! **Continued on page 3**

Lobster Dinner gets a new home!

This is one of the most important events of the Kiwanis Year. This major fundraiser allows us to sponsor and pay for a large portion of our annual activities. Mark your calendars for the Annual Kiwanis Lobster & Steak Dinner / Silent Auction Friday, May 21 - 6:00 p.m. The event will be held in the Castle at Heidelberg College. More details to follow.

Please let Gene Chintala chintalag@tiffin.edu or Sharon George sgeorge@ncoesc.org know if you are interested in helping with this event. We especially need people to help solicit for silent auction items.



May Club Anniversaries

Member	Joined	Years
Wise, Raymond	5/1	37 yrs
Dupey, George	5/9	42 yrs
Witsman, Paulette	5/14	1 yr
Copp, Teresa	5/18	10 yrs
Myers, Ray	5/24	3 yrs
Betz, Janice	5/25	15 yrs

Rest in Peace!

The Tiffin Kiwanis Club would like to express our condolences to the family of John Groce and to Mark Levans with the passing of his wife Cindy.

May Birthdays

Merlin R. Batdorff	May 3
Ruth Brown	May 13
Joann King	May 15
Robert J. Foster	May 15
Wilma Klopp	May 17
Sharon George	May 28

Prayer Breakfast Set For Wed., May 5

Rev. Jerry Boylan, pastor at Grace Baptist Church will be the speaker for the annual Kiwanis Prayer Breakfast. Breakfast starts at 7am. Price: Donation

Never Again

Never again will I confess lack, for "my God shall supply all of my need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Phil. 4:19
from the Human and Spiritual Values Committee

Upcoming Speakers

- May 6 John Bing from Tiffin City Parks
- May 13 Judge Steve Shuff
- May 20 Mel Covell from Norwesco
- May 27 Allison Shriver Toledo Museum Of Art
- June 3 American Fine Sinter
- June 10 Janet Del Turco on Gardening



Please watch your P's and Q's

The person(s) who we invite to present our weekly programs are guests of the club. As such, they are accorded all of the attention and good manners we would give any other guest. This included applauding following the introduction, putting cell phones and pagers on vibrate, listening attentively, and asking questions in a polite manner. Some members with hearing deficits do not realize how loud their personal conversations can be, please keep side comments to yourself while the speaker is speaking. From time to time, programs may be controversial and may run contrary to members' feelings or beliefs. Questions which take exception to points made during the program must be delivered in a manner which is polite and gives the presenter an opportunity to respond.

May Wedding Anniversary

Richard and Deborah Fletcher 5/16/1970
Leon and Phyllis Putnam 5/17/1955

Save your pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Bring them to a meeting and deposit them in the gallon jug.



Membership Challenge

Did you know the Tiffin Kiwanis Club is currently the 5th largest Kiwanis Club in the Ohio District*/, but a couple of other clubs are nipping at our heels.

The Ohio District is having a *Membership Growth Contest*, which will reward the club with paid expenses for the Ohio District Convention. We need to recruit and register new members prior to June 15. Help strengthen our club, by adding more hand to share in the work of club projects. Invite a friend, co-worker, spouse, neighbor, etc. to a meeting and invite them to join. Please see Beth McFarlan-Hutson or Gene Chintala for a Membership Form and return it to Beth when you have it completed for Board approval.

By recruiting a new member, you could earn:
New Member Key(s) Bronze, Silver or Gold

*Achievers Award *- recruit three new members within a year

Ruby K - recruit five new members into Kiwanis anytime during your Kiwanis lifetime

Ring of Honor - the sponsor of a new member qualifies for the Ring of Honor by participating in three of the following with his/her new member

* Participate in new member orientation sessions

* Greet club members as they arrive for three meetings

* Attend on of the following: An interclub division or district event, or sponsored youth meeting

* Attend a club board of directors meeting

* Participate in a service or fund-raising activity

From the President...

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Plans are underway for the Lobster Dinner/Auction which will be held at Heidelberg May 21st. The menu will include a choice of a whole Maine lobster, Surf-n-Turf, Prime Rib or Cashew Chicken. Please contact Shirley Smith for tickets. Remember, this is our club's biggest fundraiser!

Yours in service, Sharon

We are in charge of our Attitudes

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than success, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company ... a church ... a home, or an individual.

The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for the day. We cannot change our past ... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude.

I am convinced that life is ten percent what happens to me and ninety percent how I react to it. And so it is with you. We are in charge of our attitudes.

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Club Meetings

are held each
Thursday at Noon at the
Kiwanis Manor,
7 W. Market Street,
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Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 13

We will be voting on our new slate of officers at our Annual Meeting to be held during the regular club meeting Thursday, May 13

Nominations are for Bill Smith - President

Sharon Rigby - President Elect

Julie Adkins - Vice President

Dave King - Secretary

Jim Kimmel - Treasurer

Sharon George - Immediate Past President

New Board Member nominees are Donna VanTress, Beverly Kline, and Malinda Ruble

Board of Directors

2010

Ray Myers

Jon Laux

Deb Wyka

2011

Duane Applequist

Ruth Brown

Mark Zeno

2012

John Brown

Julie Adkins

Peggy Benner