

Kiwanis Downtowner



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Children
of the World



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Kiwanis Club of Dayton, Ohio

January 1, 2017

**Happy
Birthday**



**January
Birthdays**

2nd AJ Lewis
21st Frank Ecklar

Upcoming Meetings

TUESDAY, January 3, 2017

SPEAKER: Don Wiggins

PROGRAM: "Flying Horse Farm"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231

Don Wiggins will talk about Flying Horse Farms which provides magical, transformative camp experiences for children with serious illnesses and their families – free of charge. Located in Mt. Gilead, Ohio, camp first opened its gates in 2010 and hosts about 850 children and families each year. Flying Horse Farms is the first camp in the Midwest to become a full member of the SeriousFun Children's Network. Founded in 1988 by actor, philanthropist and Ohio native Paul Newman, the Network is a community of independently managed and financed camps and programs creating opportunities for children with serious illnesses and their families.

Program Chair: Chuck Sousa
Introductions: Jeff Funkhouser

Invocation: Kelly Brown
Greeters: Pam Albers, Chuck Sousa

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are the



**To Kiwanis
Membership
Growth
Propose a New
Member
TODAY!**

Invite someone to come
as your guest to the next
meeting and
check out Kiwanis

No Meeting on January 10th - Service Week

TUESDAY, January 17, 2016

SPEAKER: Kelli Sharp

PROGRAM: "Stay Ahead of the Game"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231

The Stay Ahead of the Game program provides fire and police departments in our 20-county service area up to 25 free helmets to be distributed and fitted during bicycle rodeos and other education-based events. This program would not be possible without the generous support of our funders. Kelli Sharp, Dayton Children's Injury and Health Outreach Specialist, will be speaking about this very important program and the ways that our support of this program will benefit the health and safety of the children in our community.

Program Chair: Bob Buescher
Introductions: Harry Bradbury

Invocation: Bob Buescher
Greeters: Mark Cooper, Chuck Sousa

No Meetings on January 24th & 31st - Service Weeks

Meetings in Review

December 6 : Our program for the day was wrapping gifts for the House of Bread Christmas Project



December 20 : Our program for the day was holiday fellowship and caroling led by our own Ron Knipfer after the club helped him celebrate his upcoming birthday by singing the Happy Birthday song to him.

K-Donations: A K-18 from Kelly Brown celebrating her 18 years in Kiwanis.



Foundation Check Presentation



Foundation President Mark Cooper presented a check to Monnie Bush from The Victory Project for \$900 to help with their at risk youth programs.



Annual Book Drive to Benefit Brighter Futures

Congratulations to all who participated and a big thank you to Chuck Sousa for leading the effort again this year. We collected 1200 books a new record!

Holiday Service Project—December 17th at The House of Bread



It fills our hearts with cheer when we hold our annual Christmas breakfast with Santa at the House of Bread. Seeing joy in the eyes of the children is such a gift. This year, we served about 40 kids and their parents. Each child received 2 TOYS!!! as well as a ginger bread reindeer cookie from Evan's Bakery. Each parent received a gift bag as well. House of Bread provided a yummy breakfast of pancakes, eggs and ham. The kids worked on crafts and colored pictures while they anxiously awaited Santa's arrival. They ushered him in with a rendition of Jingle Bells. Santa was delighted to hear them singing and to receive their beautiful drawings.

Kiwanians who served at this event were Jeff Funkhouser, Bob Buescher, Chuck Sousa, Bobby Beavers, Pam Albers, Mark Cooper, Diane Graham and Kelly Brown. Diane's granddaughter, Ellie, and husband, Frank. Chuck worked on bracelets while Mark's wife Susan and son Kevin lead the craft making.

Thank You Santa, Evan's Bakery and all of our wonderful Dayton Kiwanians for making this event so special. God Bless you all and have a Very Merry Christmas!





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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

January 3	Don Wiggins, Flying Horse Farm
January 10	Service Week
January 17	Kelli Sharp, Stay Ahead of the Game, Dayton Children's
February 7	Steve Topp, Better Business Bureau "How to Avoid Being Scammed"
February 7	Foundation Board Meeting at 1:15 p.m.
February 14	Service Week
February 21	TBD
February 21	Board Meeting 1:15 p.m.
February 28	Service Week
March 7	TBD
March 7	Foundation Board Meeting at 1:15 p.m.
March 14	Service Week
March 21	TBD
March 21	Board Meeting 1:15 p.m.
March 28	Service Week

OFFICERS

Chuck Sousa-President
Mark Cooper-Past President
Kelly Brown -President Elect
Diane Graham—Vice President
AJ Lewis -Treasurer
Laura Erbaugh-Secretary

FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

Mark Cooper,Chair,
AJ Lewis, Diane Graham,
Bob Buescher, Mark Burton,
Bobby Beavers, Chuck Sousa

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Jeff Funkhouser
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2016-2019
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Frank Ecklar

PAST PRESIDENTS

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