

Kiwanis Downtowner



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**Happy
Birthday**



**April
Birthdays**

NONE

Upcoming Meetings

TUESDAY, April 5, 2016

SPEAKER: Bishop McGuire & Malcom Keith

PROGRAM: "Dayton Urban Young Life"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231

Bishop McGuire and Malcom Keith will answer the question "What is this Dayton Urban Young Life Program"? They will share the philosophies and methods that are used to help kids make positive choices that they make today, based upon their love for them, that will have a positive impact on future decisions, careers chosen, marriages formed and families raised". They will also explain the Five C's of Young Life, which help students in many areas of their lives. They will share how Dayton Urban Young Life Leaders are making a difference in the lives of kids around Dayton because they are supported by adults who care about kids in their community.

Program Chair: Bobby Beavers
Introductions: Neal Leffel

Invocation: Bobby Beavers
Greeters: Neal Leffel, Chuck Sousa

YOU
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 April 12th - Service Week

TUESDAY, April 19, 2016

SPEAKERS: Dar Hensley & Danielle Combs

PROGRAM: "Stepping Stones Ranch"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231

Dar Hensley and Danielle Combs are the co-founders of Stepping Stones Ranch which is transforming lives of adolescent girls. They are in their first full year of operation as a residential youth ranch and it has already proven to be a model that gives girls a second change with the support and opportunities to thrive in school, heal relationships and make post high school plans to attend college or career training.

Program Chair: Diane Graham
Introductions: Laura Erbaugh

Invocation: Harry Bradbury
Greeters: Bob Buescher, Mindy Simes

No Meeting on April 26th - Service Week

Meetings in Review

Dayton ages 4-17. KIND has now moved back into one of the Education Building of the original Church where they got their start because it is centrally located with the kids they want to reach. They will soon have an outdoor learning space in a newly formed park when a former building had caught fire and insurance paid out but the church decided not to rebuild but to turn into a greenspace. During the summer KIND served 80-100 kids and about 30-40 during the school year at their after school programs. They will serve any child whose parent is willing to bring them but mostly they serve those in the 45403 zipcode. Their biggest challenge seems to be developing a strong volunteer base. Bobby Beavers, President, Dayton Kiwanis Foundation presented Keith Valiquette a grant check in the amount of \$1,000 to be used for their reading, math, science and health programs. They provide math tutoring and work with the Boonshoft on Science, serve 5000 meals a year, have a food backpack program, work with K-12 gallery on art and have exercise programs through the YMCA including swimming lessons. **K-Donations:** From Neal Leffel for his joke and Harry Bradbury for his joke.



March 15: Our speaker was Beth Dixon from Power of the Pen and she also had with her Kim Mueller, Power of the Pen Coach from St Charles School 2 students (7th graders) Grace Bucy and her mother and Maddie O'Neill and her father. Kim started off by telling us why she got involved in coaching after her children were involved in the program while in school. The two students shared with us their "Best of Round" stories written at the local competition one was entitled "Baby Girl" written from the prompt When I was Your Age and they other was entitled "Spiderman" written for the prompt Describe Someone who has had a Major Influence on Your Life". Beth Dixon then told about the Randy Kramer Award of Excellence that has been established for a \$250 scholarship for the top 8th grade writer that our club will fund. Randy's wife and son were there to see the award presented to a student from The Miami Valley School. Our club sponsors the local competition trophies and cash award for the Regional Competition at Wittenberg. We also learned that Wittenberg offers a 40,000 scholarship to the top 8th grader and Wooster (State Competition Location) offers 3 \$40,000 scholarships. **K-Donations:** From Neal Leffel for his joke of the day and from Kelly Brown for Neal's joke. Harry Bradbury for his daughter's birthday.

New Member Profile

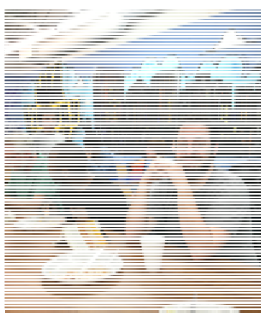


Frank Ecklar is the Director of Planning & marketing for the Greater Dayton RTA. He is a graduate of Northmont HS and The Ohio State University and holds a Masters Degree from Central Michigan University. He serves on the Downtown Priority Board and as a volunteer for Cruise for Cancer. His avocational interests include: Ohio State Football, fishing, biking and racquetball. Frank shared with the group that he loves his work and has been in the transit industry for 32 years with his start in Columbus. Frank and his wife Linda reside in Kettering. **Welcome to Kiwanis!**
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Service Project in March at The Victory Project

Kiwanians Jeff Funkhouser, Mindy Simes, Mark Cooper, Ron Knipfer and Kelly Brown served dinner to the Victory Project on Tuesday, March 8. There were about 12 boys in program who were present for dinner as well as staff and tutors. The meal consisted of Lasagna, salad and garlic bread from Charlie's Deli which is located right next door. Cookies from Sam's club were the dessert. We had a nice chat with the boys and staff during dinner. When we finished eating, the boys quickly cleared the table, put away the food and cleaned up the kitchen! We were then given a tour of the 2 story building which houses offices, a lounge area, computer lab, chapel and kitchen. There is also a warehouse area that stores a passenger van and the lawn equipment used for the Victory Landscaping business. We even got to see the long lost Elite Movie Theater which was believed to have been razed some years ago but is actually part of the VP facility. They hope to restore this space and use it as a community event venue in the future. It was thrill to dine with these young men and see this wonderful project in action.

About Victory Project... The Victory Project breaks down the walls of captivity. By undoing the youths isolated experiences, we expose them to the potential of a positive socio-economic standing through our 3E's curriculum: Education, Entrepreneurship and Enlightenment. Our youth no longer depend on a criminal or social system which can enable their destructive lifestyles. Finding freedom and independence by obtaining marketable skills allows them to compete in the workforce.



It's Time for the Annual Dayton Kiwanis Rose Sale Fundraiser

Only \$25.00 per dozen

Same **Gorgeous** Roses as Last Year from Nordlie Inc. Flowers



Roses

Roses MUST be ordered by April 19th

Roses will be: red, white, yellow, pink and lavender (same color in each dozen)
limited number of assorted color bouquets available as well.

Colors cannot be promised.

*Roses will be packaged by name of person to deliver and can be picked up for delivery on
Friday May 6th 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. and Saturday May 7th 8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.*

KIWANIANS—PLEASE PLAN TO DELIVER THE ROSES THAT YOU ORDER

Make your check payable to... "Dayton Kiwanis Club"

Thank you for your participation! Order Form Enclosed

Kiwanis One Day—April 2nd

We will be building bookcases at Habitat for Humanity for donation to Brighter Futures / Help Me Grow at the Habitat For Humanity building at 115 W. Riverview Ave Dayton on Saturday April 2nd at 10:00 AM. To volunteer and get more info please contact Harry Bradbury bnhbrad@aol.com

Kiwanians Volunteer and Special Olympics Bowling Event

On February 20, 2016 at Beaver-Vu Bowl 1238 N. Fairfield Road in Beavercreek 20 volunteers from Dayton Kiwanis, Senior Resource Connection and the Lima Kiwanis came together to help the Special Olympics Regional Bowling Tournament support the Athletes in this event. Each Athlete bowled 2 games and competed against other Athletes in their age division. A great time was had by all and the volunteers did their part to offer a fun-filled time for well over 200 participants. This was the first time these 20 volunteers assisted in this event however not the first time they have volunteered with the Special Olympics.

The fun continues as they prepare for the late April track & field events to be held at Centerville High School. Great job to all of our Kiwanians and friends!



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

April 2	Kiwanis One Day—Project at Habitat for Humanity Building Book Shelves for Brighter Futures Youth
April 5	Bishop McGuire and Malcom Keith, Dayton Urban Young Life
April 12	Service Week
April 19	Dar Hensley & Danielle Combs, Stepping Stones Ranch
April 26	Service Week
May 3	Meredith Florky, Learning Tree Farm
May 10	Service Week
May 17	TBD
May 17	Board Meeting
May 24	Service Week
May 30	Memorial Day
May 31	Service Week
June 7	TBD
June 15	100th Anniversary Celebration at Sinclair Community College 6:00 p.m.—more details coming soon...Save the Date!
June 22	NO MEETING—due to Anniversary Dinner week prior
June 29	Service Week

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