

Kiwanis Downtowner



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**Happy
Birthday**



**April
Birthdays**

12th Veronica Harwell

Upcoming Meetings

TUESDAY, April 4, 2017

PROGRAM: "Interclub Visit to Springfield Kiwanis"

We will be taking our weekly meeting on the road this week to visit the Springfield Kiwanis Club at their weekly meeting. The meet at St. Johns Church in the Fellowship Hall at 27 North Wittenberg Avenue in Springfield 45502.

If you would like to attend this Interclub meeting please contact Chuck Sousa at 416-5554 before Tuesday.

No Meeting on April 11th - Service Week

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

TUESDAY, April 18, 2016

SPEAKER: Kelly Brown

PROGRAM: "Kiwanis International Website Resources"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231



Kelly Brown will be sharing with the membership all the resources that are available on the Kiwanis International Website for recruiting members and marketing and PR tools that are available to all clubs and much more.

This is a rescheduled program as the earlier date we ran out of time for this part of the program.

Program Chair: Kelly Brown
Introductions: Harry Bradbury

Invocation: Kelly Brown
Greeters: Laura Erbaugh, Chuck Sousa

No Meeting on April 25th - Service Week

Meetings in Review

March 7 : Our speaker for the day was Amy Dingle, Director of Outdoor Connections for Five Rivers MetroParks. Amy gave a general overview of the MetroParks System which included 15,800 acres protected, 11 conservation areas, 26 facilities, 150 miles of trails, 270 miles of river corridor and 3.2 million visitors each year. The challenging news is that children 8-18 spend 6 1/2 hours a day in front of media and 6 minutes outside (waiting for the bus to school). Only 33 % of people 18-35 prefer to spend free time outdoors. The good news is that 96% of Dayton residents are glad to have metroparks. Conservation creates opportunity for education and recreation. Some of the programs offered include City Beets which is creating active youth leaders that are knowledgeable, skilled and empowered to grow and sell food at the 2nd street market—focused on inner city youth with 90 community gardens. Wegerzyn Gardens hosts a Children's Discovery Garden to allow for nature play. Outdoor Recreation opportunities connects people to nature through an active lifestyle through backpacking, mountain biking, cycling and kayaking and paddling. They also have summer camps for kids and teens. Metroparks features 75 miles of natural surface trails for hiking, 40 miles of horsetrails—they are part of the Buckeye Trail and the North Country Trail and have State and National Designated Water Trails, 330 miles of bikeways which is the largest paved trail network in the nation. They also are responsible for the bike Hub membership at RiverScape, LINK bikes in downtown and bike rentals at RiverScape. Events feature their Outdoor Experience event in October and they are hosting the International Trails Symposium this May 7-10 at the Dayton Convention Center.

K-Donations: From Neal Leffel for his joke of the Day and from Mark Cooper for being back from Florida and from Pam Albers for also being back from Florida as well. Bob Buescher announced that he is now a grandfather and from Ron Knipfer who announced that this would be his last meeting with Kiwanis. Frank Ecklar celebrated his recent return from the Buckeye Cruise for Cancer where 2.5 million was raised.



March 21 : Our speakers were Beth Dixon, State Coordinator for Power of the Pen along with 3 local students who participated in the local competition and also at Regionals and have advanced on to State. (Susanna Lain from St Charles, Liesl Carter from St Charles and Katie Ritschel from Oakwood Junior High. Bob Buescher announced that Katie had a big day at the March 4th regional competition in Springfield. She took home the first place trophy, she was the recipient of the special award created in memory of our former member Randy Kramer and she was also awarded a \$40,000 scholarship to Wittenberg University that is waiting for her when she completes high school four years from now. We also recognized Kim Mueller who was honored with the Dayton Kiwanis Award for Excellence in

Teaching at the Power of the Pen Regional Competition—she has been coaching students for 15 years. We also presented Beth Dixon with a check for \$2850 from the Dayton Kiwanis Foundation for our sponsorship of the Power of the Pen trophies and awards.



K-Donations: From Neal Leffel for his joke of the day and from Kelly Brown and also from Pam Albers who was celebrating going on vacation to Florida soon.

Guests: Susanna Lain and her father Douglas Lain, Liesl Carter and her father Mike Carter, Kim Mueller, Teacher and Power of the Pen Coach at St. Charles, Katie Ritschel and her parents Tamiko and Lt Col Dan Ritschel, and Beth Dixon and Don Balduf.



Kiwanis Night at Fifth Third Field

Dayton Dragons vs. Cedar Rapids Kernels

Wednesday, May 10, 2017, 7:00PM

Come out and have a great time with colleagues, friends, and family taking in a Dragons game in our Group Seats!

What's included?

- Game ticket for a stadium seat
- Kiwanis Group is announced over our PA system and displayed on our videoboard

- Great entertainment and a chance to win Dragons merchandise through a private group raffle

DEADLINE TO LET LAURA KNOW YOUR ORDER: Tuesday, April 4th Tickets are \$11 per person



Everything's Coming Up ROSES!

Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale Time Again May 12th and 13th

It's that time of year where Kiwanians are being asked to get support from their friends family and colleagues through our fundraiser Mother's Day Rose Sale. It is

a win-win situation—our club foundation raises funds to use for local service projects and the rose recipients get a beautiful dozen roses!

\$25 per dozen roses—Kiwanians are asked to deliver the roses that they order. Pick up will be on Friday, May 12th 10-3 and Saturday May 13th 8-11 at Nordlies Flowers

Rose Sale Order Form will be emailed out along with this newsletter.

Colors Available: Red, White, Yellow, Pink and Lavender as well as a limited number of Assorted Bouquets

Colors Cannot Be Promised

Orders are due by May 2nd. Please drop off order forms at the Tuesday meeting or send in to the Kiwanis Office (40 South Perry Street Suite 110) 45402 along with your check(s) made payable to Dayton Kiwanis Club.

Please help support the children of this area who we serve through this annual fundraiser event.



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

April 4	Interclub Visit with the Springfield Kiwanis Club (in Springfield)
April 8	Service Project at Habitat building Book Shelves—9:00 am
April 11	Service Week
April 18	Kelly Brown, Kiwanis International Website Resources
April 25	Service Week
April 29	Special Wish Superhero Donut Run—Fun Run starts at 9 AM— registration at 7:30 am
April 29	Special Olympics Project @ Welcome Stadium 11:45 am—4:30 pm
May 2	Amy Zimmerman/Alyson Gerwe, ELiMiNaTe Project Site Visit in Senegal
May 9	Service Week
May 10	Kiwanis Night at the Dragons Game—7:00 pm
May 12-13	Kiwanis Mother's Day Rose Sale Pick Up
May 16	Lyle Lockwood, TechFest Report
May 23	Service Week
May 30	Service Week
June 6	TBD
June 13	Service Week
June 20	TBD
June 27	Service Week
August 11-12	Ohio District Kiwanis Convention at the Dayton Convention Center

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