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Kiwanis Club of Dayton, Ohio

October 1, 2015

Happy Birthday



October Birthdays

1st Vern Erickson 14th Harry Bradbury 18th Kelly Brown

Upcoming Meetings

TUESDAY, October 6, 2015 SPEAKER: John DeVilbiss

PROGRAM: "Annual Meeting and Induction of Officers"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231 John DeVilbiss, Kiwanis International Trustee fro the West Alexandria Kiwanis Club will be visiting us and speaking to us about some of the Kiwanis Initiatives. He will also induct our new officers and directors for the 2015-2016 Kiwanis year.

Program Chair: Harry Bradbury Invocation: Harry Bradbury

Introductions: Anthony Whitmore Greeters: Laura Erbaugh, Chuck Sousa

No Meeting on October 13 - 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, October 20, 2015 SPEAKER: Monnie Bush PROGRAM: "The Victory Project"

Meet at Sinclair Community College, Bldg 12, Room 231

Monnie Bush is the President and Founder of the Victory Project.

Their mission is to empower young men to discover the life God intended by mastering self-awareness, self-sufficiency and selfless service, building an uncommon alliance with uncommon youth for uncommon results. 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.

Program Chair: Kelly Brown Invocation: Kelly Brown

Introductions: Neal Leffle Greeters: Chuck Sousa, Jeff Funkhouser

No Meeting on October 27 - Service Week

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Meetings in Review

September 1: Our speaker for the day was Stephanie Ferra, Vice President of Helping Hands of Dayton. Helping Hands was created in 2007. They provide over 250 care kits to parents of sick

children per quarter. Kits contain, deodorant, tissues, lotion, tooth brush and tooth paste, shampoo, note-pad & pen and \$5 gift card to the hospital gift shop as well as a get well card for their child which has been handmade by another child. These kits are meant to get the parents through the first 12-24 hours of their childs hospital stay. Their goal is to provide over 1400 care kits a year. They have delivered over 8000 kits since being established. Kits are presently distributed to Childrens Hospital, Kettering NICU and Miami Valley NICU. The organization is completely run by volunteers and they have a six member working board. They rely on other volunteers for assembly of the kits and grants to provide funding for the materials in the kits as well as donations and product drives held by others in the community on their behalf. They have no corporate sponsors but this is something they can work towards and the nurses in the hospitals are their point of contact for distribution of the kits. They get children involved in giving back to others by having them draw and make handmade get well cards. For more information visit their website www.helpinghandsdayton.com

K-Donations from Neal Leffel for his joke of the day.

Guests: Mindy Simes was a guest of the Club who came to check out what Kiwanis is all about. Stacey Hood, Secretary, Helping Hands of Dayton

September 15: Mitch Bailey, Chief of Staff for the Office of the President at Sinclair was our speaker for the day speaking to us on behalf of "Citizens for Sinclair" which is a committee working to pass a levy in November for Sinclair Community College. The vital levy is an investment in the future success of this community and the students and businesses Sinclair serves. For good jobs, for our future, Vote for Sinclair.

K-Donations: From Neal Leffel for his joke about the two Irish ladies at the bar ...the Flannigan twins.

Guests: Alexa Roddy (with UNICEF), guest of Anthony Whitmore; former Kiwanian and continued supporter, Ivan Patterson; and new member to be inducted on October 6th, Mindy Simes.



Annual Book Drive to Benefit Brighter Futures to Begin in October Collecting Children's Board Books

We have begun our 8th annual Board Book collection for Brighter Futures under the Help Us Grow Program. *Collection will take place October 1st—December 15th*

Brighter Futures is a comprehensive nurse home visiting program for low income, first time pregnant women. Specially-trained nurses regularly visit mothers and family members in their homes during pregnancy and teach prenatal care. After the birth, they emphasize parenting skills and healthy infant and child development.



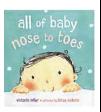
We will be collecting <u>Board Books</u> for young children to read and enjoy with their parents. Nurses in the Brighter Futures program leave the books during their visits so that parents can share fun learning moments with their children. Last year we collected around 400 books! Can we match or exceed that total this year? Let's shoot for <u>700</u> books to distribute to the children!

We will be making the presentation of books to Pam Albers, Executive Director of Brighter Futures in January...so we have plenty of time to collect a record number of books. Books should be new or used in good condition. Board books are the thick cardboard type books for small chil-

dren. (No paper pages!)

Don't want to shop? Then just make a donation to the program and Chuck Sousa and his wife, Sheila will shop for the books for you.

Drop of your books or donations at one of our meetings or at the Kiwanis office.



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Foundation Check Presentation



President Bobby Beavers presented a Kiwanis Club of Dayton Foundation check for \$500 to Bill Nance and Melody Morris of faithandfriendsradio.com to help sponsor the Kiwanis Kids Korner at their 13th An-

nual Chocolate Festival on Saturday. September 26th 10 am—5 pm at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds Coliseum. Kids Games, Live Broadcasting, Entertainment and Live Music and Plenty of Chocolate

> Vendors for Enjoyment. Free parking and Free entrance for all. Last year over 6,200 people were in attendance.





Jeff Funkouser, Chair, Kiwanis Club of Dayton Foundation presented a check to Stephanie Ferra, Vice President of Helping Hands Dayton for \$1000 that will help them purchase the basic necessities and items that they include in their "Care Kits" that they distribute to families of ill children to help get them through the first 12 hours of hospitalization. Kits are distributed at Childrens Medical and Miami Valley Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.





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UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

October 6 Annual Meeting & Installation of Officers

October 13 Service Week

October 20 Monnie Bush, The Victory Project

October 20 Board Meeting
October 27 Service Week

November 3 Jeffrey Mims, City Commissioner "Common Core"

November 10 Service Week

November 12 Kiwanis Foundation Meeting at Flagel Huber Flagel 3:00 p.m.

November 17 Michelle Riley, The Foodbank

November 17 Board Meeting
November 24 Service Week

December 1 Wrapping Gifts for our December 5th Service Project

December 5 Holiday Service Project at The House of Bread

December 8 Service Week

December 15 Holiday Fellowship & Caroling

December 15 Board Meeting

December 22 NO MEETING—HOLIDAYS
December 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS

December 29 NO MEETING—HOLIDAYS

OFFICERS

Mark Cooper-President
Bobby Beavers-Past President
Chuck Sousa -President Elect
Kelly Brown—Vice President
Randy Kramer-Treasurer
Laura Erbaugh-Secretary
Harry Bradbury-Assistant Secretary

FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

Bobby Beavers, Chair, Harry Bradbury, Randy Kramer, Ron Knipfer, Diane Graham, Bob Buescher, Mark Burton

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2014-2016Diane Graham
Harry Bradbury

2015-2018Jeff Funkhouser
Anthony Whitmore

PAST PRESIDENTS

James J. Sandegren 1998-99 Bobby J. Beavers 1999-2000 Randolph N. Kramer 2000-2001 Harold Reed 2001-2002 Kelly Brown 2002-2003 Randy Peace 2003-2004 Vicki Kovach 2004-2005 Vern Erickson 2005-2006 Mark Burton 2006-2007 Robert A. Buescher 2007-2008 Charles J. Sousa, Jr. 2008-2009 Mark S. Guerrero 2009-2010 Anthony Whitmore 2010-2011 Diane Graham 2011-2012 Jeff Funkhouser 2012-2014 Bobby J. Beavers 2014-2015