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CLUB OF BOWLING GREEN

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## Bowling Green Kiwanis Club Newsletter

### August 2024

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**Weekly Meeting: Thursdays - 11:30 am**  
**Slater Family Ice Arena Lounge, BGSU**

#### Officers 2023-24

PRESIDENT \* Chad Plontz  
PRESIDENT-ELECT \* Cindy Hofner  
SECRETARY \* Jason Miller  
TREASURER \* Andrew Kalmar  
PAST PRESIDENT \* Mike Shertzer  
DIRECTORS 2022-2024  
Charlie Harper, Inge Klopping, Steve Libby  
DIRECTORS 2023-2025  
Dick Martin, Kathy Mull, Eric Myers, Linda VanBlaricom

### AUGUST 2024 PROGRAMS

Program Chair: Jan McLaughlin

**August 1**

**THE U.S. BORDER CRISIS:  
OUR TRIP ACROSS THE TEXAS BORDER**

*Jeff Schooley*

*First Presbyterian Church*

*Jan McLaughlin*

*BG Independent News*

**August 8**

***NO NOON MEETING TODAY***  
**KIWANIS POTLUCK PICNIC**

*5-7pm*

*Kiwanis Memorial Shelter  
City Park*



**August 15**

**NOTE: MEETING BEGINS AT 11:45 am**  
**A THANK-YOU TO OUR  
SERVICE CLUB TEACHERS**

**August 22**

**PEREGRINE FALCONS**

*Jim Witter*

*Wood County Parks District*

**August 29**

**BOWLING GREEN'S WIND TURBINES:  
WINDING DOWN**

*Brian O'Connell*

*City of Bowling Green*

## Guest Speakers in July



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3.

- 1. *Karyn Smith* explains how important exercise is for overall health.
- 2. *Marissa Saneholtz* recounts her remarkable career as a metalsmith, object maker, and art instructor.
- 3. *Tanner Barton* shows us how he will inspire the BGSU swim team by inspiring us.

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### *Welcome to the Club!*



*Membership Committee representative **Bob Callecod** (left) and sponsor **Bryan Hartzler** (right) welcome our newest member, **Alex DelPiombo**, who is Associate Head Volleyball Coach at BGSU.*

## PROGRAMS for AUGUST 2024

*Program Chair: Jan McLaughlin*

**AUGUST 1, 2024**

### **THE U.S. BORDER CRISIS: OUR TRIP ACROSS THE TEXAS BORDER**

Speakers:

***Jeff Schooley***

*Pastor, First Presbyterian Church*

***Jan McLaughlin***

*BG Independent News*

Greeters: Kathy Mull, Sp. J. Edens

Meals: Mike Sibbersen

Raffle: Alice Calderonello

Inspirational Moment: Jeff Schooley

Guest Recognition: Geoff Howes

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Joan Callecod

Sergeant-at-Arms: Steve Libby

Introduction of Speaker: Jan McLaughlin

Speaker Recognition: Lee Meserve

**AUGUST 8, 2024**

### ***NO NOON MEETING TODAY*** **KIWANIS POTLUCK PICNIC**

***5-7pm***

***Kiwanis Memorial Shelter***

***City Park***

***520 Conneaut Ave***

The club will provide burgers, hot dogs,  
buns, and condiments!

Bring your own plates, utensils, and drinks!

Sign up at our Aug.1 meeting or by emailing

President Chad and indicate how many guests and  
what dish you are bringing!

[chad.plontz@edwardjones.com](mailto:chad.plontz@edwardjones.com)

Picnic table seating for 96.

Bring a lawn chair if you need additional seating.



**AUGUST 15, 2024**

### ***NOTE: MEETING BEGINS AT 11:45 am*** **A THANK-YOU TO OUR SERVICE CLUB TEACHERS**

Speakers:

***Service Club Teachers***

Greeters: Inge Klopping, Sp. A&J. Calderonello

Meals: Ben Otley

Raffle: Scott Seeliger

Inspirational Moment: Mike Shertzer

Guest Recognition: Linda VanBlaricom

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Drew Hanna

Sergeant-at-Arms: Roger Anderson

Introduction of Speaker: Mike Shertzer

Speaker Recognition: Jason Miller

**AUGUST 22, 2024**

### **PEREGRINE FALCONS**

Speaker:

***Jim Witter***

*Program Manager*

*Wood County Park District*

Greeters: Charlie Harper, Sp. R. Edwards

Meals: Cindy Hofner

Raffle: Rebecca Ferguson

Inspirational Moment: Sharon Libby

Guest Recognition: Geoff Howes

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Geoff Howes

Sergeant-at-Arms: Eric Myers

Introduction of Speaker: TBA

Speaker Recognition: Drew Hanna

**AUGUST 29, 2024**

### **BOWLING GREEN'S WIND TURBINES: WINDING DOWN**

Speaker:

***Brian O'Connell***

*Director*

*Public Infrastructure and Utilities*

*City of Bowling Green*

Greeters: Jeff Levin, Sp. L. Meserve

Meals: Roger Anderson

Raffle: Judy Wahrman

Inspirational Moment: Gary Saunders

Guest Recognition: Bob Callecod

Birthdays/Anniversaries: Steve Libby

Sergeant-at-Arms: Larry Nader

Introduction of Speaker: Dana Nemeth

Speaker Recognition: Liz Eilberg

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

### BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST



#### WEEK OF AUGUST 1

*Friday, August 2*  
**Paul Herringshaw**  
**Gerry Kallenbach**  
**David Kuebeck**  
*Sunday, August 4*  
**Pat Pauken**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 8

*Friday, August 9*  
**Randy Moody**  
*Monday, August 12*  
**Bob Callecod**  
*Wednesday, August 14*  
**Kevin Cochrane**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 15

*Saturday, August 17*  
**Gene Klotz**  
*Tuesday, August 20*  
**Randy Gardner**  
*Tuesday, May 21*  
**Jim Miles**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 22

*Friday, August 23*  
**Marc Simon**  
*Monday, August 26*  
**Reggie Hanneman**  
*Wednesday, August 28*  
**Brooke Harrison**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 29

*Wednesday, September 4*  
**Mark Wasylyshyn**



### ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 1

*Friday, August 2*  
**Steve & Marilyn Riewaldt**  
*Wednesday, August 7*  
**Chris & Jody Smalley**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 8

*Thursday, August 8*  
**Tom & Jean Bamburowski**  
**Karen & Scott Seeliger**  
*Friday, August 9*  
**Gary & Heidi Bell**  
*Saturday, August 10*  
**Gary & Amy Dible**  
*Monday, August 12*  
**Mark & Cheryl Cassin**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 15

*Thursday, August 15*  
**Inge & Jeff Klopping**  
*Tuesday, August 20*  
**Jeff & Sheryl Levin**  
*Wednesday, August 21*  
**Dick & Judy Martin**  
**Gary & Mary Jane Saunders**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 22

*Thursday, August 22*  
**Paul & Doris Herringshaw**  
*Sunday August 25*  
**Ben & Kristin Otley**  
*Monday, August 26*  
**Dana & Michael Nemeth**

#### WEEK OF AUGUST 29

*Thursday, August 29*  
**Jim & Gerry Miles**  
*Saturday, August 31*  
**Bruce & Julie Corrigan**  
*Sunday, September 1*  
**Geoff Howes & Christen Giblin**  
*Monday, September 2*  
**Susan & Fred Bernheisel**  
*Wednesday, September 4*  
**Alisha & Bart Nenadovich**



## *On the Road With Ohio District Governor Jason Miller*



*(Left) With Ohio Circle K International Convention Chair **Aleisha Tobin** and Kiwanis International President **Katrina Baranko** at the Kiwanis International Convention, Denver, CO, July 3-5. (Right) At the Newton Falls Kiwanis 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner, July 16.*



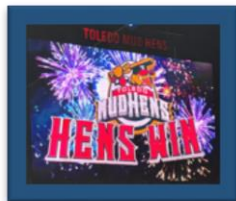
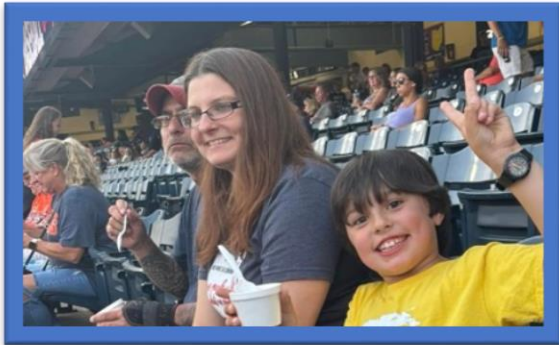
*(Left) Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation golf outing, Uniontown, July 18. (Right) **Kiwanis Club of Findlay's** 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Purse Bingo, July 18.*



*Ohio Aktion Clubs' Leadership and Education Day, July 20, 2024, Delaware, OH*

## Mud Hens Game Social Outing

There was a great turnout for the Mud Hens game against Louisville on July 23. The Hens won, 11-10, with 6 home runs by the home team. Thanks to **Andrew Kalmar** for organizing!



## ***Come to the Wooster Green Dedication on August 16!***

*At last, two plaques honoring the donors who made Wooster Green possible will be dedicated, as Mayor (and Kiwanian) **Mike Aspacher** cuts the ribbon in a ceremony emceed by Kiwanian **Jerry Anderson**.*

*Kiwanians **Dick** and **Nadine Edwards** led the Wooster Green steering committee, which also included club members **Mike Aspacher**, **Bob Callecod**, **Larry Nader**, and **Michael Penrod**. The **BG Kiwanis Club** itself funded the park's **irrigation system**. Many individual Kiwanians also contributed to the cause.*

*In addition to the donor recognition, this event will mark the dedication of 16 new historical interpretive signs that were recently installed throughout Bowling Green. Kiwanians **Rose Drain**, **Geoff Howes**, and **Dick Martin** were on the subcommittee of the BG Historic Preservation Commission that planned, researched, and composed the signs.*



*Please join us for the*

**WOOSTER GREEN DEDICATION**

**Friday,  
August 16, 2024  
at 11:00 a.m.**

Entertainment provided by  
Mike Williams on Sax

**11:30 a.m.**  
*Act of Dedication and Ribbon Cutting*

*Meet at the gazebo!*



**\*In the event of rain, the ceremony will  
be held in the City Building**



This thank-you from **Jeff Levin** to BG Kiwanis for sending well-wishes to him and his family was shared at a Kiwanis meeting, but Jeff wants to make sure everyone sees it.

We miss Jeff at our meetings, but he is where he needs to be to support his granddaughter **Charley** in her fight against leukemia.



6/14/24

Dear Friends,

I received your thoughtful and inspiring card filled with hope and the well-wishes along with the signatures of dozens of BG Kiwanians who share the same passion for giving of themselves to the children in our community.

As I mentioned in a previous letter about a month ago to our President Chad Plontz, my commitment to "one child at a time" has become very personal. I appreciate your understanding of my absence from the always enjoyable meetings, projects, and the sincere camaraderie of our club.

Sheryl and I will be spending quite a bit of time over the next 4-5 months in Columbus, supporting our granddaughter Charlotte, and her family, on her challenging journey.

With your prayers and the miracles performed by the dedicated medical professionals who do the research and provide compassionate care for Charley's rare and aggressive leukemia, we have every hope that she will either be cured or experience a long remission until new advancements in the study of blood-borne cancer emerge.

The inside of the card you all signed reads:

***“Praying you’ll sense God’s gentle peace and goodness in a special way today.”***

I assure you, when I read the card and saw the names of so many I have come to know and love, I truly felt that special sense of peace and goodness. I have always delighted in how our Kiwanians bestow God’s blessings on others through acts of faith, hope, and charity.

Thank you so much,

Jeff, Sheryl, and family