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Bowling Green Kiwanis Club Newsletter March 2025

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

Officers 2024-25

PRESIDENT * Cindy Hofner
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SECRETARY * Jason Miller
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NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Geoff Howes

MARCH 2025 PROGRAMS

Program Chairs: Mike Sibbersen and Dana Nemeth

March 6

Meeting starts at 11:45
REVIEWING THE 2010 LAKE TWP. TORNADO

Derek Witt

Meteorologist, Channel 13

March 13
CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY FOR
DETECTING FISH DISEASES
Vipaporn Phuntumart, PhD
Professor of Biology, BGSU

March 20

Meeting starts at 11:45 FIRST SOLAR ENERGY Speaker to be announced First Solar Energy

March 27
THE FLY PROGRAM:
SUPPORTING STUDENTS
WHO LEARN DIFFERENTLY
Travis Brown, PhD
Director of Learning Commons, BGSU



Guest Speakers in February

Inspirational Educator Month, organized by Lee Meserve





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- 1. Kenwood Elementary music teacher **Heather Kramer** engages the club to demonstrate how she engages her students.
- 2. Annette Teet explains how she helps her Kenwood kindergarteners learn to love learning.
- 3. *Michelle Thomas* gets down to the essentials of teaching fifth grade at Crim Elementary.
- 4. Superintendant (and Kiwanian) Dr. Ted Haselman lays out what is at stake in the upcoming school levy vote and updates the club on how the new high school is coming along.

PROGRAMS for MARCH 2025

Program Chairs: Dana Nemeth and Mike Sibbersen

MARCH 6, 2025

Meeting starts at 11:45 for BG Schools Presentation

CREATING A WEATHER FORECAST: REVIEWING THE 2010 LAKE TWP. TORNADO

Speaker:

Derek Witt

Meteorologist Channel 13 Toledo

Greeters: Bruce Corrigan, Sp. R. Edwards

Meals: Steve Libby Raffle: Julianne Shaffer

Inspirational Moment: Bob Callecod Guest Recognition: Geoff Howes Birthdays/Anniversaries: Steve Libby Sergeant-at-Arms: Roger Anderson Introduction of Speaker: Mike Sibbersen Speaker Recognition: Liz Eilberg

MARCH 13, 2025 CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY FOR DETECTING FISH DISEASES

Speaker:

Vipaporn Phuntumart, PhD

Professor

Department of Biological Sciences, BGSU

Greeters: Zachary Schmidt, Sp. C. Hofner

Meals: Eric Myers Raffle: Sharon Libby

Inspirational Moment: Jeff Schooley Guest Recognition: Bob Callecod Birthdays/Anniversaries: Karen Seeliger

Sergeant-at-Arms: Steve Libby

Introduction of Speaker: Dana Nemeth Speaker Recognition: Eric Myers

MARCH 20, 2025

Meeting starts at 11:45 Memorial for Marc Simon

FIRST SOLAR ENERGY

Speaker:

To be announced

First Solar Energy

Greeters: Mary Hinkleman, Sp. J. Miller

Meals: Bob Callecod Raffle: Roger Anderson

Inspirational Moment: Gerry Kallenbach Guest Recognition: Lee Meserve Birthdays/Anniversaries: Joan Callecod

Sergeant-at-Arms: Larry Nader

Introduction of Speaker: Mike Sibbersen Speaker Recognition: Scott Seeliger

MARCH 27, 2025 THE FLY PROGRAM: SUPPORTING STUDENTS WHO LEARN DIFFERENTLY

Speaker:

Travis Brown, PhD

Director

The Learning Commons and FLY (Falcon Learning Your Way) Program, BGSU

Greeters: Kathy Mull, Sp. J. Edens

Meals: John Calderonello Raffle: Geoff Howes

Inspirational Moment: Sharon Libby Guest Recognition: Joan Callecod Birthdays/Anniversaries: Geoff Howes

Sergeant-at-Arms: Scott Regan

Introduction of Speaker: Dana Nemeth Speaker Recognition: Darlene Petkwitz





BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH



WEEK OF MARCH 6

Sunday, March 9 Lee Meserve **Steve Riewaldt**

WEEK OF MARCH 13

No Birthdays

WEEK OF MARCH 20

Friday, March 21 Van Spears

Sunday, March 23 **Nadine Edwards**

Monday, March 24 **Dick Martin**

WEEK OF MARCH 27

Friday, March 28 Tom Bamburowski

Sunday, March 30 **Mike Shertzer** Eric Willman

Monday, March 31 **Dick Edwards**

ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH



WEEK OF MARCH 6

Wednesday, March 12 Frank & Jan McLaughlin

WEEK OF MARCH 13

Wednesday, March 19 **Sharon & Steve Libby**

WEEK OF MARCH 20

No Anniversaries

WEEK OF MARCH 27

No Anniversaries



New Members in February





Left: Newish member Todd Waggoner receives his permanent name badge with congratulations from President Cindy Hofner. Right: Bob Callecod and sponsor Jason Miller welcome Larry Garzony and corporate member Sandy Campbell (The Willows at Bowling Green) to the club. Bryan Hartzler sponsored Sandy.





Left: Bob Callecod and sponsor Cindy Hofner congratulate Ashley Vetter on joining Kiwanis. Right: Bob Callecod and sponsor Michael Penrod welcome Jessica McClure to the club.



Kiwanis News



President Cindy Hofner presented Linda VanBlaricom with a well-deserved certificate recognizing her as the Kiwanian of the Month for January. Linda is one of our most active members, always participating in community service and helping make our weekly lunches possible.

Right: BG Kiwanis recently presented a donation to The Cocoon for its Kiwanis Kids Program.





Left: President Cindy Hofner presents a check supporting the **Bobcat Basics Program** of Bowling Green City Schools to Superintendent (and Kiwanian) Dr. Ted Haselman.

Kiwanis News continued



Kiwanis recently presented a grant to the Wood County Clover Legacy Foundation for their 4-H Day of **Service**. We can't wait to see what they do with this grant!



On February 28, **BG** Kiwanians remembered our late fellow member, **Denise** Niese. (Left) **Drew Hanna** gave a moving eulogy. (Right) **Dale** Niese encouraged us to honor his wife's legacy by serving the community in her spirit.





BGSU Circle K International *Update*

"Our club got the wonderful opportunity to be the host club for DCON this year! Our members had a great time on night one meeting other members of the mighty Ohio District!!"





"On day two, we got to listen to various leadership seminars! They were very insightful and helpful towards the future of our club! During the evening was the Governor's Banquet and our members did wonderful!"



BGSU Circle K International *Update Continued*



"We had a wonderful experience at our February 15th meeting making cards for a local nursing home!"





Sponsor Jason Miller and Julianne Shaffer led the club in organizing Pancake Day tickets and stuffing envelopes. Thank you, Circle K!

