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Bowling Green Kiwanis Club Newsletter

April 2025

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

Officers 2024-25

PRESIDENT * Cindy Hofner
PRESIDENT-ELECT * Paul Herringshaw
SECRETARY * Jason Miller
TREASURER * Andrew Kalmar
PAST PRESIDENT * Chad Plontz
DIRECTORS 2023-2025
Dick Martin, Kathy Mull, Eric Myers, Linda VanBlaricom
DIRECTORS 2024-2026
Bruce Corrigan, Liz Eilberg, Jeff Schooley

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: *Geoff Howes*

APRIL 2025 PROGRAMS

Program Chair: Jeff Levin

April 3

**THE TANZANIA WATER PROJECT:
AN UPDATE**

Rev. Robin Small
St. Mark's Lutheran Church

April 10

**TRAVEL OPTIONS, COMPLICATIONS,
AND Q&A**

Starr Wlodarski
Unique Family Adventures, Perrysburg



April 17

**TRAVEL TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS:
WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG?**

Joan and Bob Callecod
BG Kiwanis

April 24

Meeting starts at 11:45
Memorial for Allan Chamberlin
**MODES OF TRAVEL:
FROM BICYCLES TO OCEAN LINERS**
Bob and Joan Callecod
BG Kiwanis

Guest Speakers in March

Program Chairs: Dana Nemeth and Mike Sibbersen



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1. Channel 13 meteorologist **Derek Witt** gives a look behind the scenes at the weather studio and recalls the devastating Lake Township tornado of 2010.
2. Professor **Viba Phuntumart** explains her work on “fungal-like” infections of fish and their detection and prevention.
3. **Jason Mestellar** of First Solar talks about the role of sun energy in Ohio’s economy.
4. **Dr. Travis Brown** discusses the purposes and growth of the FLY (Falcon Learning Your Way) program at BGSU.

PROGRAMS for APRIL 2025

Program Chair: Jeff Levin

APRIL 3, 2025

THE TANZANIA WATER PROJECT: AN UPDATE

Speaker:

Rev. Robin Small

Pastor

St. Mark's Lutheran Church

Greeters: Nadine Edwards, Sp. B. Ferguson
Meals: Tom Bamburowski
Raffle: Joan Callecod
Inspirational Moment: Mike Shertzer
Guest Recognition: Geoff Howes
Birthdays/Anniversaries: Lee Meserve
Sergeant-at-Arms: Scott Regan
Introduction of Speaker: Jeff Schooley
Speaker Recognition: Becca Ferguson

APRIL 10, 2025

TRAVEL OPTIONS, COMPLICATIONS, AND Q&A

Speaker:

Starr Wlodarski

Travel Advisor

Unique Family Adventures, Perrysburg

Greeters: Sandy Campbell, Sp. B. Hartzler
Meals: Scott Seeliger
Raffle: Sherman Moody
Inspirational Moment: Gary Saunders
Guest Recognition: Bob Callecod
Birthdays/Anniversaries: Bob Callecod
Sergeant-at-Arms: Lee Meserve
Introduction of Speaker: Jeff Levin
Speaker Recognition: Lee Meserve

APRIL 17, 2025

TRAVEL TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS: WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG?

Speakers:

Joan and Bob Callecod

BG Kiwanis

Greeters: Sarah Ybanez, Sp. R. Moody
Meals: Eric Myers
Raffle: Lee Meserve
Inspirational Moment: Bob Callecod
Guest Recognition: Geoff Howes
Birthdays/Anniversaries: Liz Eilberg
Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim Miles
Introduction of Speaker: Jeff Levin
Speaker Recognition: Drew Hanna

APRIL 24, 2025

Meeting starts at 11:45

Memorial for Allan Chamberlin

MODES OF TRAVEL: FROM BICYCLES TO OCEAN LINERS

Speakers:

Bob and Joan Callecod

BG Kiwanis

Greeters: Jessica McClure, Sp. M. Penrod
Meals: Nadine Edwards
Raffle: Colleen Smith
Inspirational Moment: Gerry Kallenbach
Guest Recognition: Joan Callecod
Birthdays/Anniversaries: Steve Libby
Sergeant-at-Arms: Roger Anderson
Introduction of Speaker: Jeff Levin
Speaker Recognition: Liz Eilberg



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS IN APRIL



WEEK OF APRIL 3

Thursday, April 3
Roger Anderson

WEEK OF APRIL 10

Sunday, April 13
Connor Rose

WEEK OF APRIL 17

Friday, April 18
Bob Latta
Jeff Schooley

WEEK OF APRIL 24

Friday, April 25
Dana Nemeth
Judy Wahrman
Tuesday, April 29
Joe Edens
Wednesday, April 30
Sara Zulch-Smith

ANNIVERSARIES IN APRIL



WEEK OF APRIL 3

Thursday, April 3
Larry & Fran Weiss

WEEK OF APRIL 10

No Anniversaries

WEEK OF APRIL 17

Thursday, April 17
Cathy & Gordon Wenig

WEEK OF APRIL 24

Tuesday, April 29
Andrew Kalmar & Cathy Zwyer



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Happening soon!
Saturday, April 5, 2025
7:00 am – 12:30 pm
Bowling Green High School Cafeteria

Bowling Green Kiwanis
Pancake Day

Kiwanis News



*Left: Representing **BG Families for Schools**, **Jeff Dennis** and **Trevor Jesse** urge support for the Bowling Green City Schools operating levy on the May ballot.*



*Right: **Jeff Orlowski** receives his trophy for winning the Kiwanis Fantasy Football League's tournament.*



*Left: New member **Sarah Ybanez** is welcomed by Secretary **Jason Miller** and sponsor **Randy Moody**.*



*Right: Our club was Division 2 winner of the **Kiwanis Signature Service Project** award for the **Grandparents Raising Grandchildren** project. Winning projects must: be recurring; enhance the Kiwanis image; demonstrate significant impact in terms of monies raised or children served; strengthen membership and partnership opportunities. Congratulations, **Cindy Hofner** and all who have worked on this project and its centerpiece, the annual **Cornhole Tournament**!*

Kiwanis News ... continued



*Left: Secretary **Jason Miller** congratulates **John Mekus** on receiving his Legion of Honor certificate for 40 years of membership with BG Kiwanis.*

*Right: **Drew Hanna** and **Maria Simon** celebrate the life of our fellow member **Marc Simon**.*



*Left: **Cindy Hofner** received a special recognition as she was named a **Distinguished Member** for the 2023-2024 Kiwanis year. Out of 5,383 members across Ohio, only 22 received this honor.*

Way to go, Cindy!

*Right: Congratulations to **Chad Plontz** for being recognized as a Distinguished President and **Jason Miller** for being a Distinguished Secretary for the 2023-2024 year. This means that our club continued to be recognized as a distinguished club for another year! Congratulations, Bowling Green Kiwanis!*

BGSU Circle K International

**Meet
our
2025-
2026
board!**



President
Natasha Wessells



Vice President
Isabel Gracon



Secretary
Alex Wisda



Treasurer
Chelsea Stanish



Bulletin Editor
Matthew Anderson

