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# **Bowling Green Kiwanis Club Newsletter**November 2025

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

**Officers 2025-26** 

PRESIDENT \* Paul Herringshaw
PRESIDENT-ELECT \* Eric Myers
SECRETARY \* Cindy Hofner
TREASURER \* Andrew Kalmar
PAST PRESIDENT \* Chad Plontz
DIRECTORS 2024-2026
Bruce Corrigan, Liz Eilberg, Jeff Schooley

DIRECTORS 2025-2027 John Calderonello, Sharon Libby, Tina Ohmart Mendoza, Gale Swanka

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Geoff Howes

#### **NOVEMBER 2025 PROGRAMS**

Program Chair: Dick Martin

#### November 6 STORIES OF THE 1913 BGHS FOOTBALL TEAM

Hal Brown

Sentinel-Tribune (ret.), Wood County Genealogical Society, Local Historian

November 13
WELCOME TO THE LINCOLN HOUSE

Shaun Reeves
Heidi Bisbee
The Lincoln House Inn

Kiwanis

CLUB OF BOWLING GREEN, OH

November 20
WOOD COUNTY 4-H –
YEAR IN REVIEW
Amy Michaels
Jenny Morlock
Sara Foos
Wood County 4-H

November 27 NO MEETING THANKSGIVING DAY



# **Speakers in October**

Program Chair: Larry Weiss







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- BGSU Head Football Coach Eddie George gives a lively, engaging talk on his career and his team.
- 2. Matt Karaffa tells about the story and achievements of the Be Better Foundation.
- 3. Swami Sam Beaver, Social Media Director and mentor for the Be Better Foundation.
- 4. Kathy Mull, Executive Director of the Cocoon and a Kiwanian, reviews the facility's 20 year history.
- 5. Tom Cummings, WBGU-PBS General Manager, brings the club up to date on the station. See page 5 for more on our visit to the Tucker Telecommunications Center.
- 6. Mindy Martin, Executive Director of Inner Peace Homes, tells the club about foster homes and adoption in Bowling Green.

#### **PROGRAMS for NOVEMBER 2025**

Program Chair: Dick Martin

#### **NOVEMBER 6, 2025**

THE 1913 BGHS FOOTBALL TEAM: STORIES OF THEIR SERVICE IN WORLD WAR ONE, PUBLIC SERVICE, AND THEIR LIFE IN GENERAL

Speaker:

#### Harold ("Hal") Brown

City Editor (ret.), Sentinel-Tribune, local historian and co-editor of Wood County Genealogical Society Newsletter

Greeters: Alex Delpiombo, Sp. B. Hartzler

Meals: Sharon Libby Raffle: Char Scherer

Inspirational Moment: Jeff Schooley Guest Recognition: Larry Nader Birthdays/Anniversaries: Geoff Howes

Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim Miles

Introduction of Speaker: Dick Martin Speaker Recognition: Becca Ferguson

#### **NOVEMBER 13, 2025** WELCOME TO BOWLING GREEN'S FIRST HISTORIC INN-THE LINCOLN HOUSE

Speakers:

Shaun Reeves Heidi Bisbee

Owners & Developers The Lincoln House Project

Greeters: Sarah Ybanez, Sp. R. Moody

Meals: Geoff Howes Raffle: Mike Sibbersen

Inspirational Moment: Mike Shertzer Guest Recognition: Joan Callecod Birthdays/Anniversaries: Lee Meserve Sergeant-at-Arms: Roger Anderson Introduction of Speaker: Dick Martin Speaker Recognition: Gerry Kallenbach

#### **NOVEMBER 20, 2025 WOOD COUNTY 4-H-**YEAR IN REVIEW

Speakers:

Amy Michaels Wood County 4-H Educator Jenny Morlock Sara Foos

Wood County 4-H Program Assistants

Greeters: Tina Ohmart Mendoza, Sp. J.

Schooley

Meals: Gerry Kallenbach Raffle: Bob Callecod

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

Sergeant-at-Arms: Steve Libby Introduction of Speaker: Dick Martin Speaker Recognition: Becca Ferguson

> **NOVEMBER 27, 2025 NO MEETING** THANKSGIVING DAY





## **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

#### **BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER**



#### **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6**

Thursday, November 6 **Geoff Howes** Matt Oestreich

Wednesday, November 12 John Archer

#### **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13**

Thursday, November 13 **Tom Ross** 

Sunday, November 16 Jon McDermott

#### **NOVEMBER 20-DECEMBER 3**

Saturday, November 29 **Drew Hanna** 

Sunday, November 30 **Dave Hyslop** 



#### **ANNIVERSARIES IN NOVEMBER**



#### **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6**

Friday, November 7 Michael Penrod & Ken Housholder

> Saturday, November 8 Dave & Joan Woessner

#### **WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13**

Saturday, November 15 Jerry & Teri Anderson

#### **NOVEMBER 20-DECEMBER 3**

No anniversaries



# **BG** Kiwanis visits WBGU-PBS

The WBGU-PBS station in the Tucker Telecommunications Center at BGSU was the scene of our October 23 meeting. Kiwanian and Associate General Manager for Development and Community Outreach Lindsay Miller was our host and member Ardy Gonyer's Call of the Canyon Cafe was our caterer. We heard inspiring words about Duane and Margaret Tucker from Bob Callecod. Larry Weiss, who organized our October programs, introduced Tom Cummings, WBGU-PBS General Manager, and Kelly **Pheneger**, Director of Education and Outreach, who brought us up to date on the history and activities of our local public television station.















# **Kiwanis News**

(Below) President Paul Herringshaw presents a certificate of election to incoming Board of Directors member John Calderonello.



(Right) President Paul Herringshaw presents a certificate of membership to Gregg DeCrane, Past President, who has rejoined the club.





(Above) Pancake Day coordinator Bruce Corrigan reminds members of their roles in the Pancake Day fundraiser scheduled for November 1 in the BG High School cafeteria.

(Below) Secretary and Acting President Cindy Hofner (center) presented a check for the proceeds of our Cornhole Tournament to representatives of the of the Wood County Committee on Aging, Program and Wellness Specialist **Danielle Brogley** (l.) and Executive Director (and Kiwanian) Alisha Nenadovich (r.).





## Kiwanis in the Community in October



Members Bruce Corrigan, Dick Edwards, and Andrew Kalmar performed with the BG Area Community Bands at their "An Afternoon at the Movies" concert on October 19.





(Left) Wood County Park District board chair—and Kiwanian—Becca Ferguson (right) chats with Chris and Terry Rehard, chairs of the new Wood County Parks Foundation.

(Right) Kiwanian Dick Martin (far left) joined other members and friends of the BG Historic Preservation Commission in Canton to receive a first-place award from Heritage Ohio for the downtown sign project.





(Left) Kiwanians Wood County Auditor Matt Oestreich and Wood County Recorder Connor Rose talked to Kiwanian Clint Corpe on his WBGU Morning Show about the county Good Deeds Program. (Right). Wood County Museum Director Annette Wells and Park District Director (and Kiwanian) Chris Smalley at the Heritage Farm Fest at Carter Historic Farm.

## **Builders Club Officer Elections**

Builders Club sponsor Cathy Wenig reports that the middle schoolers elected officers in October. Following speeches by the candidates, members voted on Chrome Books. The results:

President: Sadie Vice President: Avery Secretary: Grace

















## Circle K International in October

BGSU Circle K International observed CKI Week, hosted a panel of local Kiwanians speaking on community, service, and leadership, and celebrated Halloween together.











### In Memoriam

## Steven N. Riewaldt



**Steven N. Riewaldt**, 80, a 42-year member of Bowling Green Kiwanis, passed away October 1, 2025. Steve was born March 9, 1945, in Rockford, Illinois, to the Late Clarence Riewaldt and Marilyn (Hooker) Shaffer. He married Marilyn LeGalley on August 2, 1969, and she survives.

Steve served in the United States Army for 28 years. He obtained his bachelor's degree in education from BGSU. He was a member of First Christian Church in Bowling Green, where he served in a variety of capacities including property trustee and the men's group. He was a member of Boy Scouts for 50 years. Steve was also a member of the Reserve Officers Association and volunteered with Wheeled Meals in Wood County for over 30 years.

Along with Marilyn, his wife of 56 years, Steve is survived by his daughters Sara (Jeff) Meyer of Portage, Ohio, and Amy (Dennis) Kline of Hilliard, Ohio; grandchildren Tyler and Logan; brother Seth (Sherrianne) Riewaldt and sisters Laurie Ann (Phil) Flanagan, Mary Bea (Larry) Ray and Martha Riewaldt.

He was preceded in death by his parents and daughter Beth Ann Riewaldt.

His funeral service was held on October 6, 2025, at the First Christian Church, followed by interment at Union Hill Cemetery with full military honors rendered by AMVETS Honor Detail.

Memorial contributions may be given in his memory to First Christian Church. They will be used for a new pool at Camp Christian.

To share an online condolence or fond memory with the family please visit www.dunnfuneralhome.com.