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Bowling Green Kiwanis Club Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2026

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Weekly Meeting: Thursdays - 11:30 am

Slater Family Ice Arena Lounge, BGSU

Officers 2026-27

PRESIDENT * Eric Myers
PRESIDENT-ELECT * Sharon Libby
SECRETARY * Cindy Hofner
TREASURER * Andrew Kalmar
PAST PRESIDENT * Paul Herringshaw
DIRECTORS 2026-2028
Michael Penrod, Mark Reddin, Tom Ross, Chris Smalley
DIRECTORS 2025-2027
John Calderonello, Sharon Libby, Tina Ohmart Mendoza, Gale Swanka

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Geoff Howes

NOVEMBER 2026 PROGRAMS

Organized by Doug Ruck

November 5
VETERANS SERVICES UPDATE
Zach Migura
Wood County Veterans Service Office

November 12
CRITICALLY ENDANGERED FISH SPECIES
Dr. Kevin Neves
Department of Biological Sciences, BGSU

November 19
CRC's NEW RESIDENTIAL UNIT
Melanie VanDyne
Children's Resource Center

November 26
NO MEETING

Happy Thanksgiving



Speakers in October

Organized by Larry Weiss and Gregg DeCrane



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1. Owens Community College Admissions Recruiter **Kevin Brooks** with an Owens update.
2. Pastor **Robin Small** of St. Mark's Lutheran Church reports on recent developments with the Tanzanian mission.
3. St. Mark's Parish Administrator **Mike Schroeder** speaks on improvements to the lives of Kashasah villagers.
4. BGSU Circle K President **Luke Kline** outlines the "Bundle of Care" project to benefit NICUs and PICUs.
5. Kiwanian **Inge Klopping** tells of her unforgettable trip across the South Atlantic.
6. Retired Secret Service agent and adjunct BGSU Professor **Steve Snyder** talks about elder fraud.

PROGRAMS for NOVEMBER 2026

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NOVEMBER 5, 2026
VETERANS SERVICES UPDATE
Speaker:
Zach Migura
Executive Director and
County Veterans Service Officer
Wood County Veterans Services Office

Greeters: Alex Delpiombo, Sp. B. Hartzler
Meals: Sharon Libby
Raffle: Char Scherer
Inspirational Moment: Jeff Schooley
Guest Recognition: Geoff Howes
Birthdays/Anniversaries: Steve Libby
Sergeant-at-Arms: Lee Meserve
Introduction of Speaker: Doug Ruck
Speaker Recognition: Scott Regan

NOVEMBER 12, 2026
CRITICALLY ENDANGERED FISH SPECIES
Speaker:
Dr. Kevin Neves
Associate Teaching Professor
Department of Biological Sciences, BGSU

Greeters: Staten Middleton, Sp. D. Hanna
Meals: Dick Martin
Raffle: Mike Sibbersen
Inspirational Moment: Mike Shertzer
Guest Recognition: Bob Callecod
Birthdays/Anniversaries: Scott Regan
Sergeant-at-Arms: Jim Miles
Introduction of Speaker: Doug Ruck
Speaker Recognition: Sharon Libby

NOVEMBER 19, 2026
THE CRC's NEW RESIDENTIAL UNIT
Speaker:
Melanie VanDyne
Executive Director
Children's Resource Center

Greeters: Tina Ohmart Mendoza, Sp. J. Schooley
Meals: Gerry Kallenbach
Raffle: Bob Callecod
Inspirational Moment: Sharon Libby
Guest Recognition: Joan Callecod
Birthdays/Anniv.: Linda VanBlaricom
Sergeant-at-Arms: Steve Libby
Introduction of Speaker: Doug Ruck
Speaker Recognition: Inge Klopping

NOVEMBER 26, 2026
NO MEETING
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS IN NOVEMBER



WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5

Thursday, November 5
Chris Smalley

Friday, November 6
Geoff Howes
Matt Oestreich

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12

Thursday, November 12
John Archer

Friday, November 13
Tom Ross

Monday, November 16
John McDermott

NOVEMBER 19 - 30

Sunday, November 29
Drew Hanna

Monday, November 30
Dave Hyslop

ANNIVERSARIES IN NOVEMBER



WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5

Saturday, November 7
Michael Penrod & Ken Housholder

Sunday, November 8
Gene & Rita Klotz
Dave & Joan Woessner

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12

Sunday, November 15
Jerry & Teri Anderson

NOVEMBER 19 - 30

No anniversaries

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Happy Thanksgiving



Kiwanis News





*President **Eric Myers** gives certificates to outgoing Past President **Chad Plontz**,, outgoing and incoming Treasurer **Andrew Kalmar**, and new board member **Michael Penrod**.*



*On October 15, members wore purple to recognize Domestic Violence Awareness Month and related initiatives of the **Cocoon**, with Kiwanian **Kathy Mull**, Executive Director, in charge.*

Kiwanis News *continued*



*President **Eric Myers** presents the award for Kiwanian of the Month for October to **Roger Anderson**, recognizing his work on many committees, including the Scholarship Committee.*

Bowling Green Kiwanis News 100 Years Ago

Sentinel Tribune, Saturday, November 20, 1926, page 1: "**COMMUNITY CHEST PLANS UNDER WAY**"

COMMUNITY CHEST PLANS UNDER WAY

The Community Chest plans are well under way and Bowling Green will, in a few days, have her first concerted opportunity to support her community agencies. Mr. Alva W. Bachman has been chosen by the board of administration as the campaign chairman. Rev. L. O. Mink and Rev. Wilbur A. Vorhis are the publicity directors. A special committee from the Kiwanis club is working in conjunction with these in order to execute successfully this fine community venture.

The policies that prompt the promotion of the Chest plans are as follows:

1. To insure adequate support for those interests that are rendering community service. (A full list of which will be published soon.)

3. To protect our citizens, especially the merchants from the appeals which arise so frequently, by lumping together these Community needs and supporting them through a unified budget.

4. To so administer these funds that a definite audit can be kept of all expenditures, thus permitting each person of the community to know just how his gifts for community interests are being employed.

We confidently anticipate your hearty cooperation in operating the Community Chest of Bowling Green along the lines of the above policies.

Publicity Committee.

Kiwanians in the Community





(left) ***Eric Myers****'s students invited BGSU President* ***Rodney Rogers*** *to their class. Dr. Rogers visited with his wife, Dr.* ***Sandra Earle****.*
(right) ***Larry Nader*** *got into both the Pancake Day spirit and the Halloween spirit with this skeletal decoration in his front yard, beckoning passers-by to eat pancakes or face the consequences.*



Kiwanians ***Liz Eilberg*** *and* ***Tina Ohmart Mendoza*** *showed up at the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce's Women in Business luncheon in matching outfits. Tina reported: "I left inspired, both by Liz's fashion and by the amazing women who spoke."*

CKI Week! October 12-17, 2026



*BGSU **Circle K International** celebrated CKI Week in October with special club activities, including a pie-in-the-face fundraiser.*

*During October, Circle K worked on their **"Bundle of Care"** project, a drive to collect toys and supplies to make care packages and comfort boxes for families with children in Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU) and Pediatric Intensive Care Units (PICU).*

They also held two craft kit making sessions.





*As publicity for the pie-in-the-face fundraiser, Circle K sponsor **Jeff Schooley** took one for the team. Fellow pastor **Robin Small** of St. Mark's did the honors.*

Here is frame-by-frame evidence of how far Jeff will go to support his club.

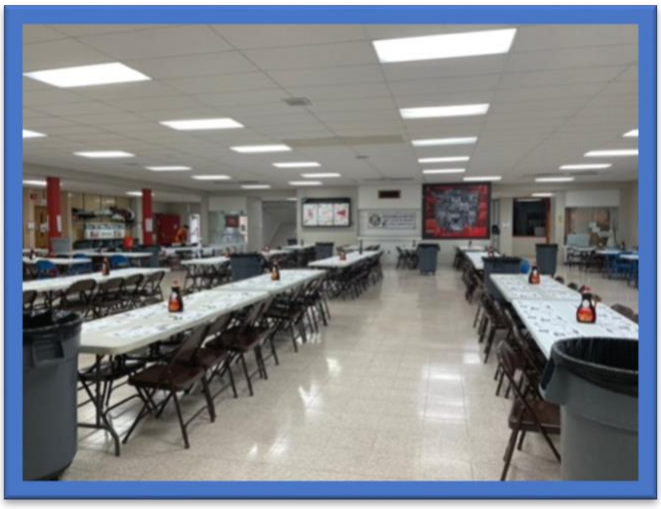
***CKI** also had a great turnout for their ornament-making session.*



Pancake Day! October 31, 2026

*Photos by Geoff Howes (before *) and Matthew Anderson (after *). Photos edited for space.*



















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