



# Kiwaniis®

CLUB OF BRIDGETON

## BMH NEWS

### PROGRAM—BOARD REPORT—MARCH 2024

#### Treasurer's Report:

Project Account:	\$ 49,462.46
General Account.	8,620.36
Foundation.	9,032.44
Flint Fund.	111,868.09

**Meetings and Administration:** Our speakers are confirmed through June.

#### Service and Service Projects:

- We are going to volunteer for Special Olympics at the State Special Olympics Bowling Tournament at St. Charles Lanes on Friday, March 15 - 16
- The Fishing Derby flyer is ready.
- Ron has been working on the Bridgeton Family Fun Fair. He is looking into ordering soft "squishes" as a giveaway for the September 27th event. (Ron's birthday). We are going to ask Key Club for face painters. We will try to have a new brochure by this date.

#### Finance and Fund Raising:

- Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, March 24 FROM 7:30-12:30. An earlier Face Book post had a different time. We have at least 29 baskets and are still collecting gift cards with a value of \$25 or more. We are looking for family activities donations such as Coachlight, Top Golf, Swing Around Fun Town.
- If a member has a request to donate money or increase our donation to an approved charity, the suggestion/proposal must be brought to the board first and then approved by the board.

#### Spiritual Values: Prayer Breakfast

Our annual (41st) Prayer Breakfast is Thursday, May 2, 2024 at Syberg's at 7:00 am. Our Keynote speaker will be Bob Pickett from Grace Church. Our ministers are in place and the flyer will go to printing this week. Tickets are \$16 each with 8 to a table. We do have more sponsors this year which should cover the price increase and gratuity.

March 2024



### INSPIRATIONAL INSIGHT

By Mary Kay Campbell

**"I have one life and one chance to make it count for something. I'm free to choose that something. That something—the something that I've chosen—is my faith. My faith demands that I do whatever I can, wherever I can, whenever I can, for as long as I can with whatever I have, to try to make a difference."**

*-Jimmy Carter*



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## CLUB MILESTONES

### MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Tim Pecoraro	12/29
Norma Wibbenmeyer	12/29
Mark Barnhart	1/17
Evelyn Murphy	1/19
Jeff Thurston	1/31
Don Lindner	2/3
Kathy Thurston	2/9
Jeff Painter	2/19
Bev Philipp	2/24
Kevin Stuhlman	3/11
MaryAnn Meyer	3/22
Dick Wilhelm	3/25
Joni Norris	3/29

### SPOUSE BIRTHDAYS

Carol Wilhelm	1/6
Jean Painter	1/21
Rodney Gillespie	1/23
Kristin Nelson	1/24
Tim Sanders	1/27
Bruce Vaughan	2/16
Tracey Katsev	3/31

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Ramon & Marisol Sarmiento	1/7/1998
Tom & April Collier	1/18
Dick & Carol Wilhelm	2/7

### MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Barry Nelson	11/27/2018
John Schuette	2/06/1995
Sue Prentice	2/06/2017
Norma Wibbenmeyer	2/9/2022
Ramon Sarmiento	3/4/2013
Ray McCormick	3/9/2000
Roy Swantner	3/11/1976
Lyle Downs	3/26/1970



## Our Club Has Been Busy



Volunteering for Special Olympics: front Sue Prentice, Nancy Harrison, Lauren Wasser. Back row: Mel Lieb, Tiffany Ermeling, Kathy Thurston, Mary Kay Campbell and Jackie Wasser.

Playing Trivia for Bridgeway Backpack Program Trivia Night! Melissa Wilfong, Sue Prentice, Joni Norris, Nancy Harrison, Jackie Wasser, Mary Kay Campbell, Mel Lieb, Kathy Thurston, Andrea Snowden and Ron Abernathy



### Great Speakers



Nancy Jackson,  
SSM DePaul



Amy Poelker –  
St Ann Mayor



Clay Beaty –  
Book Source

# 2024 Pancake Breakfast

Great Pancake Breakfast! Terrific raffles! Thank you Pattonville Fire Protection District for slapping up our flapjacks!!! And for the cherished photo opps for the kids! A huge thank you to the Pattonville High School Key Club for there assistance. See you next year— Palm Sunday!



**Public Relations:** Kathy explained that our old Facebook page is not supposed to be public. It is a “group page” that should be Bridgeton Kiwanis Members ONLY. We feel it should be private. Kathy and Mel have revamped our accounts to be both Public Profile Page (says Foundation: everyone can see) and a Group Page (should be private). Current members and spouses only can see this when asking for donations. Kathy is running into problems because of the wording, which is why it needed to change. We are going to limit the administrators of the page to 3 members.

**Membership Growth:** We have one new member who has been to two meetings, Heather Wolz. Sue and Mary Kay did her orientation in February. Heather is an accountant who serves on many boards in this area. She has one child, Aaron. Mary Kay made a motion that we accept Heather as a new member. Motion passed.

We do have another possible member (who we met at the Maryland Heights Chamber of Commerce gathering), Debbie Baldwin. Mary Kay will follow up with Debbie.

### **Service Leadership Programs:**

- Key Club at Pattonville High School has collected supplies to make 40+ Personal Bags which includes a toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, a bar of soap, and a wash rag. These will be delivered to Memorial Boulevard Christian Church at 3000 North Kingshighway which has a community food pantry. The Key Club has been asked to sponsor a food shelf in the counselor’s office. There are a few students who need food for the weekend. Thanks to Jackie Wasser and Nancy Harrison we will definitely be able to stock and support this food effort.
- Kathy has suggested we try to find Kiwanis members to sponsor Builder’s Club at Holy Spirit and a possible new club at Pattonville Heights

### **New Business:**

- We need to begin looking for new board members for the next year. KI requires us to confirm the names of the new members in May, along with next year’s officers.
- This year’s scholarships are due April 15, 2024. That is our next board meeting, and we can review the applications at that meeting. (We had to change the date of the April Board meeting to have a quorum.) Scholarships awarded will be determined by the number of applicants and the money in the accounts.

## **Announcements and Dates:**

**Next Meeting**—Thursday, April 4th at 12:00pm at Syberg’s

**Inter-Club**—April 9, Tuesday - with Hampton Midtown 12pm. Talk to Lyle for more details and car pooling.

**Board Meeting**—Monday, April 15 at Bridgeton Recreation Center, 6pm

**Spring Service Day @ Camp Wyman**—April 20th - Sign up to help—8am to 12pm including lunch

**Annual Prayer Breakfast**—Thursday, May 2 at Syberg's \$16.00 per person - Speaker Robert “Bob” Pickett

**Fishing Derby**—June 8 at Hellebush Park and lake.

**Golf Tournament**—July 19th at Incline Village in Foristell.

**International Convention**—Denver, CO, July 3-6

**MO-ARK Convention**—St. Louis, MO, August 15-18