## THE BENV BUZZ

OUR MONTHLY KIWANIS NEWSLETTER

"Do one thing every day that scares you."

— Eleanor Roosevelt



Stepping out of our comfort zone is the basis for incredible personal growth. Life can be hard, and it can be scary, but conquering those fears and pursuing your passion is an amazing feeling!



By President Penny

HAPPY SPRING EVERYONE. THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER WILL BE A COMBINATION OF THE HAPPENINGS OF APRIL AND A LOOK AT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN MAY!

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# WHAT DID APRIL BRING?



### BACK PACK UPDATE AWESOMENESS AT IT'S FINEST

With this being an ongoing project, the initiation of this project was a HUGE success. Donations came from community members, club members, corporate members, and community businesses, and a donation drive by LHU Circle K!. The representative from Clinton County Children and youth was a guest at April member meeting to receive the donations. She left with over 50 back packs and a surplus of items for more backpacks! Thanks to all that contributed to make this first venture a success.

Pictured at right is Clarissa Shirk, representative from Clinton County Children and Youth, Club President Penny Meyers, and Membership Chair, and inspiration for Backpack Program, Della Watson.





### MEMBER RECOGNITION

Pictured at left Membership Committee chair Della Watson is presenting Chrissy Wise with April's Member of the Month recognition award, consisting of a Certificate and a gift card to the Broken Axe. Chrissy is LHU Circle K advisor, a member of the Board of Director's and the Tech Team Task Force!

Congratulations Chrissy and thank you for your hard work and dedication!

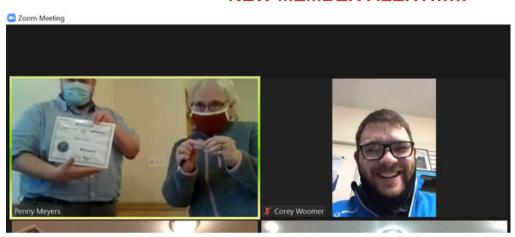


APRIL BIRTHDAYS
BRUCE PETERS APRIL 2
RICKY REINBERG APRIL 30

MAY BIRTHDAYS
TIA HILLYER MAY 6
GINNY COUNSIL MAY 23
DAWNA STRAUB MAY 26

MAY ANNIVERSARIES DEAN WETZLER MAY 1970 DELLA WATSON MAY, 2005 MIKE TREAS MAY 2018

### **NEW MEMBER ALERT!!!!!!**



It is with great pleasure that we welcome new member, Corey Woomer, (pictured right) to the club. Corey was inducted at the April Member meeting, via Zoom, by Membership Chair Della, and presented a pin and certificate by Sponsor Ricky Reinberg! Thank you Corey for choosing BENV to do service, and thank you Ricky for the ASK!!!!

### MINUTE BY MINUTE HERE ARE SOME UPDATES TAKEN FROM THE MEETING MINUTES

#### Children's Miracle Network:

Sally met with representatives from CMN. Our CMN media-thon will run the entire month of June with the mini-telethon being held on June 27, 2021 at Miller Brothers Auto Sales from 2-5pm. The committee is working on establishing a keyword that donors can text to a 5-digit number to receive the link to donate. CMN will be able to keep track of all our donations. We need a catchy name or goal for this fundraiser. It was suggested to include 3-2-1 in the name somehow. If anyone has any suggestions, please reach out to Sally. A brief committee meeting will be held after the member meeting May 19th. All are invited!

#### Youth Protection Training:

Dave and Matt hosted the Youth Protection Training webinar available through Kiwanis International. We will be sending out the training to members so that those who were not in attendance can review the training. (Information was sent in email) Thanks to Dave and Matt for hosting this event!

https://www.kiwanis.org/clubs/member-resources/training/risk-management/youth-protection/yptraining-resources

Sally mentioned that Mr. T is currently in remission, and he appreciates everyone's thoughts and prayers.



May 5, Live Virtual Drawing of Kash Bash winners will be held via Facebook...7pm Good Luck to ALL!



KIWANIS Blueberry Sale!

Sixth annual Lock Haven area Kiwanis blueberry sale jointly sponsored by the Lock Haven Kiwan Club and the Kiwanis Club of Bald Eagle and Nittany Valleys

Call either of following numbers to order:

Lock Haven Kiwanis

570-748-7029

Kiwanis of BENV

570-726-8434

- Provide name, address, and phone number.
- Specify number of 10 lb. boxes of berries at \$30.00 per box
  - Order by Friday June 25, 2021.
- Pick up berries from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM on Thursday July 1, 2021 at following locations (based on club with which you placed your order).
  - o Lock Haven Kiwanis: Sanders Window Fashions, 107 East Main St., Lock Haven, PA
  - Name of BENV: Mill Hall Volunteer Fire Company
     Payment due by cash or check at time of order or at pick up. Credit cards are not accepted.

Sale proceeds support the clubs' community and youth programs, Kiwanis sponsored leadership programs at local schools, and Kiwanis International global service projects. Interested in learning more about Kiwanis or joining one of our clubs? Call one of the above numbers.

### **MAY IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH!**

May is membership month and the membership committee is gearing up for an Open house on Tuesday, May 25th at the Son's of Italy Patio at 6pm. There will be finger food and snacks provided. What we are asking is that each of you think of someone who has the passion for service, loves to have a good time, enjoys networking with others, and would fit in with our mission, and ASK them to come to hear about the amazing things our club does for the community.

We are a big club in numbers and just think what could happen if we each just ASK one person to join us. I am very proud of this club and the service we do, and how well we all work together. The wonderful service projects, the great ideas, the fundraising, the socializing, and the fun never ends.! The smiles we have put on many kids in the community. By adding more members means adding more hands and fresh ideas! AND MORE SMILES!

So, let's put on OUR smiles, our Kiwanis apparel, get our elevator speeches ready and go out there and ASK that one person who is waiting just for you to invite them! Take this time when people are looking for ways to help the community and show them what we do!

Please RSVP to me if you will be attending the Open House and how many prospective members you will be bring by the Member meeting on May 19th.







### INTER-CLUBBING! May 6th---ZOOM

With a year in the books of Covid-19, clubs have been unable to meet in person and enjoy the comraderie of an interclub. This event is designed to have fun, socialize, see friends from other clubs, gain new ideas, and just enjoy! Sign up now!

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

MAY 5--BOARD MEETING 6PM SON'S AND VIRTUAL
MAY 5--VIRTUAL KASH BASH DRAWING-7PM-FACEBOOK
MAY 6--VIRTUAL DISTRICT MEMBER SOCIAL -6:30PM
MAY 15--MEMBER MEETING 6PM-SON'S AND VIRTUAL (ELECTION)
MAY 15--CMN COMMITTEE MEETING (FOLLOWING MEMBER MEETING)
MAY 15--BLUEBERRY KICKOFF!
MAY 25--NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT OPEN HOUSE 6PM--SON'S

JUNE 2--BOARD MEETING 6PM-SON'S AND VIRTUAL
JUNE 16--MEMBER MEETING 6PM SON'S AND VIRTUAL
JUNE 25--BLUEBERRY ORDERS DUE
JUNE 24-26--KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
JUNE 27--CMN MEDIA-THON 2-5 MILLERS BROTHERS AUTO