



November 2023

Edinboro KIWANIAN

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MONTHLY MEETING

4th Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Zoom

SOCIAL

2nd Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. Perkins Restaurant

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Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. This past Saturday was the third annual Trunk or Treat, jointly planned and delivered by McLane Church and the Kiwanis Club of Edinboro. The weather was cold and drizzly, but that did not dampen the enthusiasm and excitement of the hundreds of children and their families who walked up and down the rows of cars collecting their candy. The costumes were so much fun to see. I don't know if there was one character that showed up more than any other. We did have a lot of Mario Brothers, Spider Man, Princesses, etc.

The six Kiwanis members who attended were not about to let the children steal the show as far as costumes went. Mark and Lisa Baker were a policeman and prisoner respectively. Mark had the handcuffs hanging off his belt, the hat, sunglasses, etc. It was clear he paid attention to even the littlest details, eating a donut as he patrolled the parking lot.

Mark H. and Cheryl collaborated and came as Travis Kelce and Taylor Swift. Mark looked especially good in the shoulder pads. I thought Cheryl might be cold dressed in a little costume covered in sequins and showing a lot of midriff. She was a real trooper, however, and made it through the two hours. The children kept asking her if they could get a selfie.

Rick and Patti came dressed as Ray and Joan Dengel. Rick wore bright yellow pants, an old jersey from the 1935 British Open and golf shoes ... and found he couldn't help himself and spent the entire time either telling bad jokes or long stories about Pittsburgh in the 1940s. Patti played Joan perfectly telling "Ray" to shut up every time he opened his mouth.

There's no doubt that after reading this those of you who did not attend regret that choice. You don't know what you missed - literally. In all honesty, you really should make an effort to attend next year, as it is tremendous fun. And it's probably not too early to start thinking about your costume.



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5TH TUESDAY ON THE 2ND WEDNESDAY!

Twelve members and four guests had a great time at Charlie's Pub for Ukulele Night! While a handful of members were brave enough to actually play the instrument, others enjoyed the great food and good company, while stomping their feet!

Once again, proof that Kiwanis members can have fun any time!



WELCOME!

At the meeting on October 24, the Board approved the new member application for **ERICA BICKEL**. Erica has lived in Edinboro her whole life and appreciates the work Kiwanis does in the community. Sponsored by Cathy Hutchison, Erica is already up to her ears in this year's Gifts for Kids project. Welcome aboard, Erica!



Another rose sale under our belts without a hitch.

Thanks to all who helped sell, sort and deliver 80 dozen!

Ashley, our favorite Perkins waitress, was very pleased to receive roses from the Club! Thanks to Rick for babysitting them for a couple days and delivering them to her.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Joan Dengel November 29

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

Rob Lowther	1992
John Dietz	1994
Bernie Connelly	2009
Lisa and Mark Baker	2020

Special thanks to past president and messagewriter-extraordinaire for preparing this month's newsletter message. I know we all enjoy his writing style and great sense of humor! November 2023 Page 3

GIFTS FOR KIDS

Sunday, November 6 — Take tags to churches	
St. Augustine Episcopal- (10) Patty N	
Edinboro Presbyterian- (25) John and Fran	
Edinboro United Methodist- (80)Cathy Hutchison	
OLOL- (100) Pat Baker	
McLane Church- (70) Missy Abbott	
McKean Lutheran	
Franklin Center Methodist (12) Patty N	
Draketown Christian Church	
Unity Church- (10) Erica Bickel	
Key Club (Karen Yonko) GM High School (20)Patty N	
Sunday, December 3 — Pick up gifts at churches	
St. Augustine Episcopal- (10) Jon F	
Edinboro Presbyterian- (25) Jon F	
Edinboro United Methodist- (80)Cathy Hutchison	
OLOL- (100) Pat and Mark Baker, Jo T	
McLane Church- (70) Missy Abbott	
McKean Lutheran Missy Abbott	
Franklin Center Methodist (12)	
Draketown Christian Church Jon F	
Unity Church- (10) Erica Bickel	
Key Club (Karen Yonko) GM High School (20)Karen Yonko	
Wednesday, December 6, 3:00-5:00 p.mBring gifts, sort and organize at Fire Hall **	
Thursday, December 7, 10:00 a.m4:00 p.m Distribute at Food Pantry **	
** Call Cathy at 814-450-3495 or SIGN UP ONLINE TO HELP	

FESTIVAL OF TREES — Saturday, December 2

Just like that one annoying lightbulb on your old Christmas tree ... on... off ... on... The Edinboro Festival of Trees is back on! All committees should be working on the tree decoration that best represents what they do in the community. We are only three weeks away!

Wednesday, November 15, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Meet at Bakers, 5297 Decker Drive, Edinboro Snack pizza and wine will be provided, or bring your favorite snack to share Tuesday, November 28, 4:30 p.m. Meet at Lakeside Commons to set up tree and decorate

RING THE BELL FOR SALVATION ARMY

Friday, November 24, Edinboro Walmart

Call Brenda at 814-397-3168 or SIGN UP ONLINE TO HELP

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TRUNK OR TREAT







The young lady above shared her candy with the flamingo!

And the smartest costume was the this one.

The young man inside said he was warm and dry!



DID YOU SEE THIS ON FACEBOOK?

year!

GENERAL McLANE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please join us in celebrating the first recognition of our district theme, "We Are GM," and our collaborative efforts across the district.

Fourth grade students at McKean Elementary took time out of their day to visit Kindergarten classes to help students with some iPad basics and IXL. This kind of teamwork creates a group of



peers that students can look up to while also helping older students learn the value of helping others in their school family.

Some of Mrs. Laskey's second grade students at McKean Elementary School were inspired to create a Lancer "We Are GM" cheer. Their creativity in working together was a special student-led example of teamwork.

We've partnered with Edinboro Kiwanis and are thankful for their contributions to our celebrations through gift donations to local businesses from where we'll be purchasing our monthly recognitions. This month, we are celebrating with John's Wildwood Pizza and Edinboro Chocolaterie!

NOTE: Kiwanis will be donating \$100 Borough gift certificates each month to help recognize the outstanding teachers and students.