



**Kiwaniis**  
CLUB OF EDINBORO

September 2023

## Edinboro *KIWANIAN*

### Message from President Rick

#### **PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT**

Mike Coolbaugh, Governor  
Kevin Thomas, Exec. Director

#### **REGION ONE**

Cathy Szymanski (Erie)  
Trustee

#### **DIVISION ONE**

Cal Morse (Erie)  
Lt. Governor

#### **EDINBORO KIWANIS**

Rick Wyman, President  
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Brenda Cannell, Pres-elect  
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Patti Loomis, Secretary  
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Jon Foulkrod, Treasurer  
Mark Niswonger, Treasurer

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Pat Baker (2021-2023)  
Cheryl Harney (2021-2023)  
Mark Hutchison (2021-2023)  
Missy Abbott (2022-2024)  
Al Leonzi (2022-2024)  
Patty Niswonger (2022-2024)

#### **MEETINGS**

2nd Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. at  
Perkins  
4th Tuesday, 7 p.m., Zoom

*Kiwaniis is a global organization  
of volunteers dedicated to  
improving the world one child  
and one community at a time.*

Bottom of the ninth inning. The SeaWolves trail the Altoona Curve 7-5. One out and the SeaWolves have runners on first and second with the winning run at the plate. Hard hit ball to the left side of the infield and ...double play! Suddenly the game is over; an abrupt end to a very exciting game.

So ended the Kiwanis Club of Edinboro's fifth Tuesday outing at UPMC Park. I don't think any of the club members (Mark and Cathy, Lisa, Jo, Pat B., John and Fran, and Rick) who sat through the three-hour nine-inning game were disappointed. The weather was perfect and the ballpark food was delicious, although \$5.00 for a bottle of Diet Pepsi was outrageous.

We drove two cars, with John and Fran, Pat B. and Jo riding in my car. John sat up front thus putting the three ladies in the back seat. Getting the seatbelts on proved a bit of a challenge. You might be shocked to learn that Pat B. never wears a seatbelt when sitting in the back seat. That was not an option in my car, however, as there is an incredibly annoying sound when a seatbelt is not connected. Everyone got hooked in and we were off to the game.

Altoona took the lead early and held onto it for the entire game. Erie got close a few times but couldn't get over the hump. We had everything you hope for in a SeaWolves baseball game: home runs, great fielding plays, hot dogs, popcorn, Cracker Jacks, and a lot of C. Wolf. Taking advantage of their designated driver, Fran, John, Jo and Pat all had beer to drink. I wasn't concerned until a park employee came over during the sixth inning and told them they couldn't have any more. He was probably worried when Jo and Pat stood on their seats and sang 'Take Me Out to the Ballgame' an inning early.

I got the car after the game was over and met my passengers just outside the park. Getting everyone in the car with seatbelts on took a lot longer given all the liquid consumed during the game. After about 35 minutes of struggling, I got out to help Fran get her belt on. After Fran told me to watch where I put my hand, John quickly popped out of the front seat to take over. When defending his wife's honor, John moves a lot quicker than you might think. By the time we got everyone hooked in, the SeaWolves were taking batting practice for Wednesday night's game.

All joking aside, it was a wonderful evening and one that I enjoyed very much. I look forward to more social gatherings in the year ahead.

# REMINDERS

- RECYCLE PLASTICS! We are working with Shadbush Club and the Erie Humane Society on recycled benches. Collection boxes are at the Borough Building and in the Hutchison garage (26625 Hemlock Drive).
- On October 1, 2023, we will switch to 3-2-1 format which places emphasis on service and socializing, rather than club meetings. There will be plenty of opportunities to get together face-to-face!



# CALENDAR

**Tuesday, September 12.....Club Picnic - Peninsula Park (off Angling Road), 5:00 p.m. Details on page 4. If she's available, Incoming Lt. Governor Val Rose (Ft. LeBoeuf) will be on hand to install the 2023-24 officers and present club awards.**

**Friday, September 22 .....Last day to place orders for roses. Get them to Brenda or Patti.**

**Tuesday, September 26.....Zoom meetings: Board 6:30 p.m., Club 7:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, October 21 .....Trunk or Treat at McLane Church. Details on page 4.**

## DUES

Everyone should have received their 2023-24 dues notice. Since the Pennsylvania District raised their dues by \$10, our club also had to raise dues this year. You can use Paypal, mail your check to PO Box 275, Edinboro, or hand it personally to Brenda Cannell by September 15.



### MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

Ray Dengel .....	1986
Al Leonzi.....	2012
Mark Niswonger.....	1998
Jo Tammariello.....	2012

### PA DISTRICT EDINBORO CLUB AWARDS

- 2021-22 Distinguished Club
- 2021-22 Distinguished President
- 2021-22 Distinguished Secretary
- 2022-23 Club Communications - 1st Place
- 2022-23 Community Communications - 2nd Place

# COMMITTEES

There are lots of ways you can stay active in our club! In the envelope with your dues statement, is a committee questionnaire, along with a description of each of the projects we do. Mark those that most interest you, and give your questionnaire to Brenda Cannell.

NEW THIS YEAR is the Social Committee. With a renewed emphasis on socializing, we need a handful of people to help plan and organize opportunities for all of us to get together, get to know each other again (or better) and just have a good time!

It's been said again and again ... the best part of Kiwanis is getting involved. This is your chance!

Here are the committees for 2023-2024 —

## FUNDRAISING

Duck race  
Pet contest  
Rose sale

## SERVICE

Christmas gifts  
Kids summer kickoff  
Trunk or treat  
Edinboro Triathlon  
Recycling

## YOUNG CHILDREN

Books for kids  
Reading to pre-schoolers  
Dictionaries  
BUG (Bring Up Grades)  
Early learning guides

## GROWTH & RETENTION

Member recruitment  
Membership drive  
Member orientation

## CLUB IMAGE

Facebook/social networking

## INTERCLUBS

## CLUB ADMINISTRATION

Social committee  
Newsletter  
Sunshine  
Audit

## STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

## TELL ME AGAIN, PLEASE . . .

### **What is 3-2-1?**

Sanctioned by Kiwanis International and proven successful in clubs throughout Pennsylvania, the idea is to de-empathize weekly meetings and put more emphasis on service and social gatherings. In a nutshell ....

- 3-2-1 club members participate in AT LEAST three hours of service each month, two hours each month for social activities and one hour each month for club business. ***There is no limit to the number of service or social hours per month, and service provided by individual members can count toward our monthly total.***
- The monthly meeting will be a board meeting followed by a regular club meeting on the 4th Tuesday of each month, starting at 6:30 p.m. on Zoom.

So, when you're talking to someone about joining Kiwanis, be sure **not** to say "you have to attend a weekly meeting." Instead, tell them how much fun they can have socializing with other members and serving the community!

# TRUNK OR TREAT

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**  
**McLane Church parking lot**



**Drag your costumes out of the closet!**

**Stock up on lots of candy!**  
**Decorate your car or truck!**



*Even if you can't be there for the fun, give your candy to another member.*



## CLUB PICNIC

Tuesday, Sept. 15  
5:00 p.m.  
Peninsula Park picnic shelter

Bring -

- A dish to share
- All the plates, silverware and napkins you need
- A lawn chair (optional, if you want to be comfy)
- A WRAPPED item to raffle off with the leftover duck race prizes

Meat will not be provided this year.

- September is the only month not named after a Roman deity.
- The birth flowers for September are the aster and morning glory.
- September is the only month with the same number of letters in its name as the number of the month (9).

*thank you*  
VERY MUCH

Thank you very much for awarding me the citizenship award this year. I have enjoyed my time in Key Club during high school, and I hope to continue volunteering throughout college and the rest of my life!

Sincerely,

Erin Mennow, General McLane High School