



Kiwaniis
CLUB OF EDINBORO

January 2023

Edinboro *KIWANIAN*

Message from President Brittany

Happy New Year!

This time of year many people find themselves coming up with a new year's resolution and this year I made one... "do more things that make me happy." One of the things that makes me happy is giving back to others. So this year I'm committing to doing more service. Whether it is part of your new year resolution or not, I encourage you all to commit to doing just a little bit more service this year. It doesn't even need to be a Kiwanis related project, just simply helping others. But if you are looking to do a little more service with Kiwanis, we have a solid lineup of upcoming events and projects!

2023 will bring great things for our club! It'll be a sweet start with our Sweetest Pet Contest kicking off in just a few weeks. We will work on giving our scholarships to some of the most deserving students in the Edinboro area. Then we'll move into planning Kids Day and the Duck Race on the 4th of July. We'll also continue reading to children each month, stocking the little library, and honoring teachers throughout the school district.

All of those amazing projects and fundraisers listed above won't happen without dedicated members, board members and officers. This year, we will have many positions open and will need wonderful members to step up and serve. We will have several board positions, President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary all open. If you are at all curious about running for a position, please let myself or Patti know and we'll answer any questions you may have.

Thank you for being a member and making the commitment year after year to help the club make a difference in the lives of children!

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MEETINGS

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

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

Happy New Year
2023

Never too late for a "thank you!"

Hello,

I just wanted to say thank you again for promoting the letter decoration workshop and thank you to the members that attended. The workshop was a huge success with 75 cards made for the Edinboro Manor residents. Yesterday (Nov. 5), I delivered the letters to each resident. Here are some quotes from the residents:

"That's pretty, with roses"

"That's very nice, very nice of her"

"Yay, wow"

"I like it very much, especially the green"

"So fancy"

"Couldn't be more appreciative of those people"

"A card? Nice... that is so sweet. I think it's beautiful"

"Oh, that's very nice, thank you"

"Oh that's cute, its a dog"

"Oh, isn't that pretty"

"Oh look at that, oh my goodness! This is from some kids. Yes that's very nice"

"Aw that's cute. Aw isn't that nice. That's special"

"That's gorgeous. That's funny"

"Handmade card!"

I also asked the residents after they received their letter if they wanted to write their name (or stamp "Thank You" for those who are unable to write) on the Thank You poster. I hope that you can see their sincerity and the happiness you have brought them!

Sincerely,

Eve Wyman



GIFTS FOR KIDS



JUST THE FACTS:

- 180 kids from 75 families
- 53 workers including 19 Kiwanis members, 14 Builders/Key/4H, 13 non-members and 7 Knights of Columbus
- \$1,100 in donations
- 200+ wood toys from Santa's Helpers in Erie
- Toys from 8 churches, GM Key Club and other generous individuals



WHAT'S UP?

Reminder: Jon Foulkrod has generously given us a room at his office to store Kiwanis supplies. If you have any important "stuff" you want to get out of your house, just contact Jon and make arrangements to take it to his office — 814-734-9046

We still have 2023 Diner's Cards for sale. Just \$25, and you can save lots and lots of money throughout the year at 18 area restaurants. Contact Patti or President Brittany if you'd like to purchase some. Our club keeps \$5 for each card; proceeds also support Erie Kiwanis service projects.

If you know any teachers (or employees) in the General McLane School District, encourage them to nominate their colleagues for the Teachers Honoring Teachers recognition. Each month, one teacher from each of the four schools in the District will receive a Kiwanis certificate and Boro gift certificates.

January 14 will be the kickoff for our 2nd annual **SWEETEST PET CONTEST!** Last year's was so much fun with some highly competitive entrants. Dig out the best photos of your pets — dog, cat, horse, guinea pig, dwarf donkey, whatever! — or take a new award-winning photo. The link for entering will be sent to you soon. We made about \$1,000 last year. Let's see if we can top that!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Rick Wyman January 26
 Rob Lowther January 30

MEMBERSHIP MILESTONES

Brenda Cannell 2017