



Bath Richfield Kiwanis is part of Kiwanis International , global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time. The Kiwanis Club of Bath-Richfield performs many community service projects in the Bath and Richfield Communities to help serve children.

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SCHEDULE

May 4th 8am -Meeting @ Ocelot Café

May 11th 6pm -Guest Night/Speaker Dr. Tefs
@Fellowship Hall

May 17th Service project @ Ledgewood Girl Scout Camp

May 18th 6pm -Meeting and Division 16 mtg @
Fellowship Hall

May 20th -Service Project @ Shelter Care

May 25th 6pm -Meeting @ Fellowship Hall

May 28 & 29th -Pancake Breakfast/ flower sale
fundraiser (8:00-12:00)

June 1st 8am -Meeting /Board mtg @Ocelot Café

June 3rd Spruce up Health Lodge @ Manatoc Boy Scout
Camp

**MAY IS THE MONTH FOR PANCAKES
AND FLOWERS**





Greetings from your President...

I don't know why, but the pancake breakfast is my favorite event! It's a sweet, predictable, old-fashioned community gathering with comfort food and friends that marks the opening of summer! I guess it doesn't get much better than that.

April was a service month that had us packing! We packed bags for The Battered Women's Shelter, packed essential needs and snacks for homeless teens who come to the outreach program at Shelter Care, and helped pack 120,000 meals with Mayor Wheeler and Rise Against Hunger. In May /June we have 3 outdoor service projects: Ledgewood Girl Scout Camp cabin painting, Landscaping/gardening at Shelter Care and Clean-up of the Health Lodge at Manatoc Boy Scout Camp. Please plan to come out to help with some of these projects.

As always, thank you for all you do as Kiwanians.

~Sue Ann

Bath Richfield Kiwanis Service Projects

April was a busy month for our service in the community, thanks to the leadership of Jeff Sprongl, our Service Committee chair! We made a visit to Shelter Care Street Outreach Service Center. This program addresses the needs of runaway, homeless and street youth and their families in the community by providing outreach services that promote safety, well-being, self-sufficiency and permanent connections with caring adults. This program not only helps youth leave the streets, but also assists them in moving and adjusting to a safe and appropriate living arrangement. Our club purchased supplies for 30 snack bags and 30 personal hygiene bags for their clients that drop in. Members filled the bags and Jerry Baley delivered them.



We also completed an Essential Needs laundry bag build for the Hope and Healing Center (Battered Women’s Shelter). These bags contain personal hygiene items needed for the women coming into the program for emergency.



About 20 Kiwanians and their families contributed to Mayor Wheeler’s initiative with Rise Against Hunger to pack 120,000 meals to help combat hunger. Rice, soy, freeze dried vegetables and vitamin packs were combined together to provide nutritious meal pouches to be shipped to needy families abroad. It was great fun to work together with so many community members!



WELCOME TO ALL NEW MEMBERS!

Our club is fortunate to have Don Laubacher, our Vice President, leading our membership committee. We have added 4 members since our last newsletter. We most recently installed Eric Fergason! We will be installing 3 additional new members in May!!



KEY CLUB-KIWANIS COLLABORATION

Kiwanians worked with the Revere Key Club to pass out gift cards paying forward kindness for the Carson Higgins Foundation. They are wonderful teens who serve the community continuously with over 60 members!



UPCOMING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

On May 20th between 9 and 3 we will be improving the landscape at the center with plants and mulch. For more information on volunteering for this project please contact Barb Baley at bashabal@yahoo.com.

We will also be painting at Ledgewood Girls Scout Camp in Peninsula, Ohio. Please contact Jeff Sprongl (jkhomeprops@aol.com) if you would like to help.



All members are asked to consider working our Pancake Breakfast this Memorial Day Weekend. This is one of our important fundraisers to support these important service projects.

Special thanks this year to Mary Beth and Kyle Kaczmarek of *Plumbing Tech* for their major contribution toward the breakfast cost! This will increase our fundraising efforts, giving us the opportunity to provide more for more service projects in the future.



Our annual Memorial Weekend Pancake Breakfast will again be at Richfield Masonic Hall (3750 Grant St, Richfield, OH 44286) Sunday, May 28th and Monday May 29th from 8 AM-12 PM. Adults \$8.00 and Children (ages 5-12) \$5.00. Children under 5 are free. Also plan to support Revere Key Club at the accompanying plant sale.

