



EAST GEAUGA GAZETTE

Kiwanis Club of East Geauga, Ohio P.O. Box 187 Middlefield, OH 44062-0187
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF SERVICE IN 2008

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STATE TESTING PROJECT A SUCCESS! Last week over four days in two hour blocks, several East Geauga Kiwanis members assisted with Cardinal's administration of the State Education Exams for eighth graders with special needs. The following members, spouses and family members read test questions and recorded answers for the students: Jack Youshak, Manny Lopez, Eileen Lopez, Fran Frank, Nick Frank, Lindsay Cummins, Wally Myers, Roberta Moss, Claire Zurbuch and Terry Robinson.

RELAY FOR LIFE NEEDS YOU: East Geauga will once again be responsible for supplying luminaria, candles, sand and manpower to set them around the track at the Cardinal High School track for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. The event runs Saturday and Sunday, May 10-11. We need your help on Friday evening, May 9th at 6:30pm at the track to pre-fill the luminaria, and apply any labels that have been pre-sold. Then we'll need you again on Saturday evening to place the luminaria and light the candles. Please respond to this worthwhile project.

DIVISION 22 COUNCIL MEETINGS: These monthly events are a great way to find out what other Kiwanis clubs in the area are doing to raise money and support local services. East Geauga will host the meeting in Middlefield on Wednesday, June 25th. We will reschedule our regular meeting on Tuesday, May 24th to the 25th. Spouses are invited, and we hope to make a great showing with some special events in store to celebrate East Geauga's 50th anniversary. (See paragraph below)

SPONSORED YOUTH: Our sponsored youth organizations: Key/Venture Clubs at Cardinal High School and Builders Club at Cardinal Middle School have been active, most recently with a Builder's Club dance held last Saturday at the Middle School. The theme was "Going Camping", and the proceeds will be used to send special needs students to Camp Sue Osborn this summer. Assisting with homeless meals and cleanup in the community are among other activities these young Kiwanians are volunteering for.

MEMBERSHIP FOCUS: We welcome Ed Ward of Claridon as the newest member of East Geauga Kiwanis. Ed is well-known in the area as a Claridon township trustee, former member of Ruritan and stalwart at the Claridon Congregational Church. It was a pleasure to have Ed and Judy at last week's meeting. We made a commitment to have 50 members in our 50th year of service, and because of several deletions in February, we have a long way to go. As Janice Marks from the Newbury club says- people respond to a personal invitation to join the club, but you have to ask them. On June 6th, Division 22 Lt. Governor Jim Rayle will present a program on membership development. It's incumbent on all of us to be recruiters for East Geauga Kiwanis. Our programs have been very interesting, and they are scheduled into June, so don't be timid about asking someone you know to be our guest at a meeting.

WEBSITE NEWS: Keep up to date on the web at www.eastgeaugakiwanis.org.

50TH ANNIVERSARY PLANS: We're moving closer with plans for our 50th anniversary celebration in June. We will host the Division 22 Council meeting on June 25, which nearly coincides with our anniversary date (June 28th). A big evening is planned, possibly with entertainment and lots of long-winded speeches (not really). Also, in conjunction with Middlefield's Community Days, we will host a 3-on-3 basketball tournament in the park, which should generate lots of interest from both the Amish and Yankee populace. Look for more info as we get closer.

OHIO DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT: This popular event held annually in Kent, Ohio, will be here in July before you know it. Check in with starter Don Hunter for dates and times (and to collect your \$)

IMPORTANT DATES:

5/6- Kimm Leininger, Geauga County United Way, Crossroads Restaurant
5/9- Work night for Relay for Life, Cardinal High School track
5/10- Placing luminaria at Cardinal High School track for Relay for Life
5/13- Scott Carlson, Post & Beam construction, Crossroads Restaurant
5/20- Dieter Huth, WWII Through the Eyes of a Child, Crossroads Restaurant
5/27- Board Meeting; Crossroads Restaurant
5/28- Division 22 Council Meeting, TBA
6/3- Jim Rayle, Div. 22 Lt. Gov.; Membership

WORDS TO LIVE BY:

“For us is the **life of action**, of strenuous performance of duty; let us live in the harness, **striving mightily**; let us rather run the risk of wearing out than rusting out.” – Theodore Roosevelt

Terry Robinson, Secretary
(The Ancient Mariner)

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