

Service Projects Committee

Member of Board of Directors, Chair: Krista Wasowski

Purpose: To determine, with the approval of the Board of Directors, the needs in our community, especially of children and youth, and to develop, implement and maintain projects which help meet those needs.

Duties: To meet as necessary or as the Board may direct and to report to the Board of Directors regarding all service project matters. Chair of this committee shall assist the President of the club in appointing chairpersons of the subcommittees and/or of those which may from time to time be established by the Board of Directors. Subcommittees shall meet as necessary to accomplish their assigned tasks, report to the chair, and develop, maintain and pass on to succeeding subcommittee chairpersons' policies and procedures relative to their work. The chairperson of these subcommittees or projects shall be members of the Service Project Committee, along with any other members selected by the club President and Chair.

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Boys/Girls State

PURPOSE: This committee is responsible for promoting and selecting individuals to attend Boys State and Girls State programs.

DUTIES: The Kiwanis Club contributes each year to support one boy at Boys State and one girl at Girls State. These two programs are conducted by the American Legion and provide eight-day hands-on experience in the operation of the democratic form of government, the organization of political parties, and the relationship of one to the other in shaping Ohio government.

<http://www.ohiobuckeyeboysstate.com/>

<http://buckeyegirlsstate.org/>

GOALS FOR THE YEAR:

The goal for the year is to continue to support one boy at Boys State and one girl at Girls State.

CHAIRPERSON: Keith Durham email dirham_1@yahoo.com

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Christmas Shopping

PURPOSE: Is to provide clothing to needy children from the local elementary schools, middle schools, high school and Career Center buildings.

DUTIES: The Medina Kiwanis partners with the Medina Odd Fellows group and the teachers of Medina County Career Center to take over 70 students shopping at Kohl's and Walmart over a two day period in early December each year. Students are allowed to spend between \$110 to \$135 to shop for clothes on a list prepared in advance by a parent or guardian. Needy students are selected with the help of school principals, counselors and teachers. Each student is paired up with a Kiwanian volunteers or a community volunteers who help them shop. Students are picked up at their school by the volunteers and then returned to their school around 2 hours later. The volunteer can contribute any amount over the allotted spending limit by making a contribution to the club on the day of shopping. This year the two days are tentatively planned for December 8th and 9th.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: Continue to increase the number of students served each year since the need increases.

Make sure every Kiwanis member that is able takes a student shopping prior to signing up outside volunteers to help.

CHAIRPERSON: Jim Shields email: shieldsj@mcsoh.org

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Scottie Stevens, Keith Dirham. Harry Heinly

Camp Manatoc

PURPOSE: This committee was created to help the Boy Scouts of America. Cleaning and repair of a cottage and any needed maintenance work is performed in the spring at the Boy Scout Camp near Peninsula, Ohio.

DUTIES: Each year this committee coordinates our club's participation with the Division in the Camp Manatoc Work Day. The work day is in June and we try to get as many club members as possible to head over to Camp Manatoc to do repairs/maintenance and cleaning on the cabin that we maintain.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: The goal for the year for this committee is simply have enough volunteers to get the work done to help the Boy Scouts.

CHAIRPERSON: Keith Durham email durham_1@yahoo.com

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: (minimum of two)

Scholarships

PURPOSE: To assist qualifying seniors in their college expenses.

DUTIES: This committee administers the selection and distribution of scholarship moneys to local high school students. The committee establishes the criteria.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: Currently we offer scholarships in three categories:

- a) Todd Brumbaugh Scholarship (abt. \$1300, it runs out in 2018), for an exceptional MHS Key Club member
- b) Golf Scholarship (awarded to one or two Medina High School Golfers, either to one boy and one girl or to one of either gender)
- c) Kiwanis Scholarship/s totaling \$1000 given to one student from the Kiwanis Club of Medina for an MHS Key club member or an MHS child/grandchild of any Kiwanian.

CHAIRPERSON: Immediate Past-President – Jim Haymond email: liberty_upholstery@msn.com

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: (minimum of two)

Michael Short = Michael.short@raymondjames.com

Stuff the Bus

PURPOSE: This program provides needed school supplies for children in need.

DUTIES: promote donations of school supplies, organized the collection and delivery of supplies

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: Collect supplies during the month of July

CHAIRPERSON: Nancy Abbott email: nabbott@medinamunicipalcourt.org

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Colleen Swedyk, Cornell Carter

Student of the Month

PURPOSE: This committee in conjunction with the *Medina County Gazette* promotes good citizenship at the High School age by promoting the selection of a boy and a girl *Student of the Month*, at each of the eight county High Schools. Nominations come from each school, each month for selection and the Medina County Gazette partners with Kiwanis in publishing the results. A banquet is held at year's end to honor all *Student of the Month* county-wide recipients and to announce the *Student of the Year* selections.

DESCRIPTION:

The Student of the Month program monthly recognizes one male and one female student from each of the eight high schools in Medina County. From these 16 students one male and one female student is recognized each month as the county-wide male and female Student of the Month. Additionally, the program recognizes a male and female Student of the Year from each high school and county-wide male and female Students of the Year. Students make the selections for all winners. The program has been run by the Medina Noon Kiwanis since 1972 and is funded by the Feckley Foundation and the Auditor Kovack Community Fund.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: To reestablish the *Student of the Month* program into the fabric of the Kiwanis Club of Medina Committee Structure. To obtain funds to provide scholarships for the *Students of the Year*.

CHAIRPERSON: Mike Kovack

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Young Children Priority One (0-6)

PURPOSE: This committee should implement projects for children prenatal through age six. Projects can address maternal and child health, childcare, early development nutrition, parenting education and support, advocacy, pediatric trauma or safety.

DUTIES: This committee supplies the Oaks Family Care Center in Brunswick and Birth care of Medina with diapers, formula, baby food, and any other requested items for mothers and children in need. We use the remainder of the funds to support Stuff the Bus.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR:

1. To continue to supply children in need with food, diapers, and sometimes clothing.
2. To find a replacement for Colleen for next year.
3. Switch the Stuff the Bus support to the "Stuff the Buss" committee.

CHAIRPERSON: Colleen Swedyk email: cswedyk@medinaco.org

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Youth Services (6-18)

PURPOSE: The committee suggests projects and programs to assist boys and girls, ages 6 to 18 years of age, to adjust to their environment and adapt to the social, economic, and moral demand they might encounter. The committee develops means to assist on the guidance of youth in the selection of proper and suitable vocations, as well as other areas that the committee may deem pertinent.

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DUTIES: This committee funds programs and services that impact youth between the ages of 6-18, including but not limited to:

- Boy's State
- Girl's State
- Let's Make a Difference
- Boy Scouts - Great Trail Council
- Girl Scouts - Northeastern Ohio
- United Way - Stuff the Bus
- Akron Children's Free Care Fund - *locally done through Howard Hanna Realty's Chow Chow fundraiser*
- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship - *locally contributed to the Medina Ministerial Association*
- Camp Paradise
- Medina High School - After Prom
- Cups Cafe
- Salvation Army - Youth Programs

GOALS FOR THE YEAR:

1. Increase membership on Youth Services Committee
2. Recruit replacement for Cornell Carter
3. Identify additional programs and services which yield high impact for the evolving issues faced by youth

CHAIRPERSON: Cornell Carter email: cp Carter@sbcmedina.org

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Russ Todia, Rick Davidson, Mike Kovack

Service Leadership

PURPOSE: SLPs are service leadership programs for elementary, middle school, high school, college and students who may be mentally and/or physically challenged. In each of these programs, students learn not only how to work together on a project but also how to be leaders within their club, school, and community. Kiwanis Service Clubs may include the following Clubs:

Aktion Clubs – adults living with disabilities

Circle K Clubs – college and university students

Key Clubs – high school aged students

Builders Club – middle school students

K Kids – Elementary school students

Key Leader experiences – a weekend experiential experience for students ages 14-18

Key Club and Circle K alumni – an encouragement of graduates from High School and College to continue the work of Kiwanis

Terrific Kids, and Bring Up Grades recognition – recognition to students who raise their grades into an acceptable range.

DUTIES: We help students grow in these capacities by having programs available at the different levels. Currently, we are sponsoring four K-kids; Blake, Ella Canavan, Garfield and Waite, one Builders Club, and 1 ½ Key Clubs. Advisors from the schools for these groups are very dedicated teachers and a Kiwanian, whenever possible attends their meetings. This is not to micromanage but to be an aid to the teachers and students and answer any questions they may have concerning their particular area. Whenever possible to send potential leaders to the Kiwanis International Key Leader weekend.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: To continue to reach out to the Highland High School Key Club as they have been neglected for some time. To support the new K-Kids at Ella Canavan and their advisor especially this year being their first year. To make all principals of these schools honorary Kiwanians for allowing us to have these clubs in their schools. To honor all faculty advisors at the end of the year with a small token of our club's appreciation for all that they do with the clubs. To have more Medina Noon Kiwanians involved with these clubs.

CHAIRPERSON: [Nancy McNeal](#) E-mail: musiclady46@frontier.com

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: (minimum of three)

Ed Shuttera

Golden Anniversary

PURPOSE: Is to honor Golden Anniversary Couples for their 50 years of marriage commitment.

DUTIES: This committee collects the names of community members who have been married 50 years and organizes a celebration at a Kiwanis luncheon. Attendees are presented with lifetime Medina County Fair passes at the luncheon, and Kiwanians introduce each couple and share highlights of their courtship and marriage.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR:

Collect names of couples celebrating 50 years of marriage and coordinate a luncheon celebration Aug 30.

CHAIRPERSON: Joan Rundle__ email makeoveru@zoominternet.net

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: (minimum of three)

Darine, Laura, Tina Sabol & Ed Shuttera

Project Munch

PURPOSE: Munch is a community program which provides meals to community members once per week at the Salvation Army facility.

DUTIES: This committee recruits workers to work at the local Project Munch site. The workers then process and hand out meals for the needy.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: To provide the necessary labor to staff the Project Munch kitchen once per month.

CHAIRPERSON: Harry Heinly email: hheinly@zoominternet.net

Highway Cleanup

PURPOSE: Periodically this committee organizes a group of members to clean the litter from a section of highway. This is part of the Ohio Department of Transportation Adopt A Highway program

DUTIES: Medina Noon Kiwanis has 'adopted' an approximately two mile long section of State Route 18 near interstate 71. Four times a year a team is coordinated to pick-up trash along this stretch of roadway. Members doing this activity sign a release form and may bring family members who are at least 12-years-old to assist. Safety vests and trash bags are provided.

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/districts/D03/Pages/Adopt-A-Highway.aspx> contains safety briefings for volunteers as well as the handling of suspicious items found during cleanup activities. This is also the website used by the committee chairperson to notify ODOT of the date the club will be conducting a cleanup so bags can be collected.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR:

1. Conduct quarterly clean-up activities along our designated stretch of highway.

CHAIRPERSON: Al Korn/ Owen Blakslee email owen_blakslee@yahoo.com

ODOT District 3 Coordinator [Sonya Riley](#), Coordinator, 419-207-7160

ODOT Medina Coordinator [Loretta Kreiger](#)

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Sign-ups at Kiwanis meetings prior to lean-up date.

Community Requests

DUTIES: In anticipation of unplanned requests this committee will budget for the unexpected. The committee shall maintain a set of criteria for the purpose to evaluate the request against the philosophies of Kiwanis. When a responsible request for money exceeds the committee's budget, they may take the request to the Board of Directors.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: To receive all requests, evaluate and dispense by accepting or rejecting the request. This committee in cooperation with the Club Treasurer will report to the membership when a check is issued supporting the youth of our community.

CHAIRPERSON: Greg Huber email: ghuber7441@zoominternet.net

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mike Wojdacz

Agriculture/Conservation

PURPOSE: This committee supports the Farm community by providing a farm oriented program. This committee organizes and promotes activities which educates elementary children on the topic of conservation.

DUTIES: For many years the Ag committee supported the farm community by sponsoring farm/city programs. An outgrowth of this has been the desire to increase the urban forestry. Currently, Kiwanis in conjunction with Medina City Schools, St. Francis and the Christian School, provides a tree seedling for each third grade student in April as part of the Arbor Day Celebration and the school ecology curriculum.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR:

- 1) Plan for procurement, potting and delivery of a tree seedling for each third grader.
- 2) Investigate the possibility of providing initiative and financial support for the creation of the Harold Thoburn Trail. Details to be determined in conjunction with the City Recreation Department and the Schools. We will spear-head the planning of the trail and the educational stations. We will offer to purchase signs as needed in the development of the trail. We have allocated \$1000 for this purpose this year.

CHAIRPERSON: Dale Weygandt email dwey@zoominternet.net

LIST OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS: (minimum of three)

Walt Bixler	Harry Heinly	Dan Groh	Charles Hawley
Roy Gienke	Owen Blakslee	Jim Haymond	Harry Heinly
Ralph Carter	George Rodgers	Wes Florian	Krista Wasowski
Jon Steingass	Bill Young	Al Korn	

Kiwanis International Current Project

PURPOSE: This committee promotes the International project by educating the membership and develops a money making plan to carry out the desires of the Board of Directors.

DESCRIPTION: Acting on the requests and information from Kiwanis International this committee usually promotes the Major Emphasis Project from the Kiwanis Foundation. A budget request is presented to the Board for approval in September each year. When approved this committee determines ways to raise the money for the Project.

GOALS FOR THE YEAR: To raise money enough to donate \$3000 for the Eliminate Project, which is the current major emphasis for Kiwanis International.

CHAIRPERSON: Nancy Abbott email – nabbott@medinamunicipalcourt.org

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