



PPBA September 2016 Newsletter

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September General Meeting



The September PPBA general meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 21st, at Bay View Yacht Club, 3902 N Summit Street, Toledo, OH 43611. The speaker for the evening will be Jay Benschback, Head Meteorologist from 13abc Action News. Dinner will be prepared by Kelly's Catering. Social hour begins at 6:00 PM and dinner is at 6:30 PM. Dinner for Paid and Lifetime Members is free. Guests and Honorary Members are \$10. There will be a 50/50 Raffle; tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. If you are planning to attend, please make your reservation(s) by registering online at ppba.memberlodge.com, or by contacting either Connie Durand at 419-344-7873 (conniedurand867@yahoo.com) or Mary Lichtenwald at maryliz630@aol.com or 419-472-6529. **Deadline to register is Monday night, September 19th.**

October General Meeting & Meet the Candidates Night-

Save the date and invite family, friends and coworkers

The October PPBA general meeting will be held on October 19, 2016 @ Friendship Park Community Center. We will be having pizza and salad with refreshments during a short meeting. *Please note that dinner will be served starting @ 5:45 PM so we can be finished with the meeting by 6:45 PM. The Meet the Candidates Forum will be from 7-9 PM. We will be hosting an Ice Cream Social prior to the Meet the Candidates Forum for the general public. I am asking City of Toledo officials to serve the Ice Cream but will need help from PPBA members throughout the night. Contact me if you are willing to help out - Joyce Ejhinger @ JEjhinger@aol.com or call/text me @ 419-320-9979. There are 69 candidates; many are at the Federal & State levels. Of these 23 are Presidential candidates. There are no City of Toledo races and many of the county races are unopposed. Speakers for and against the City of Toledo Income Tax Levy will be invited, along with the following levies: TARTA, Public Safety Communication Systems, Lucas County Children Services, Imagination Station and Toledo Zoo.

August Cruise on Sandpiper

We were not a large group on last month's cruise but it was a nice cruise. We had a little rain but it did not last long. Thank you Mary Dalby and your captain for a nice evening. A very special thank you to our 2nd Vice President, Sherry Jasman for preparing the wonderful sandwiches and salads.

Point Place Circus

Thank you to all who came out to support the Point Place Kelly Miller Circus in August. We did not make as much as other years but we did make a profit. Since the circus was brought to Point Place in 2010 by Ottawa River Yacht Club over \$40,000 has been raised that has been given back to the community. This year's profit has been donated to Point Place Scholarship Foundation, PPBA Legacy Community Foundation for Visions of Cullen Park, Friendship Park Community Center, ORKA (Ottawa River Kleanup Association) and Point Place Lion's Youth Football League.

PPBA Golf Scrambles

Dave Stickley, Golf Scrambles Chairman reported at the September PPBA Board Meeting, that both the Point Place Scholarship Foundation and the PPBA Legacy Community Foundation will receive \$2100.00 from the proceeds. Thank you Dave and your committee!

Visions of Cullen Park

If anyone has not been to Cullen Park ever or recently, take a few minutes to drive through and see what has been done in the last six years. The latest Grant work is completed on the North side of the park. It has been transformed from a swampy unsightly eyesore to a blooming, attractive, colorful sight with walkways, footbridges, flowers, ponds and plants. Ducks, birds, toads and other critters and creatures have discovered a new home or a place to visit. The Visions volunteers are very proud of the fruit of their endeavors and are very thankful for the input from ODNR, EPA, City of Toledo, individual contributions, the Kroger Program and all others who have made it possible.

Recently Visions was presented with a check for \$200.00 from Rick Knapp of the Circus committee for which we are most grateful and thank them immensely. It will be used to continue on with our goals.

Till the next time, Vee

City of Toledo and Partners for Clean Streams Sandpiper Cruise

On August 6, 2016 the Sandpiper had a cruise on the Maumee that was co-sponsored by the City and Partners for Clean Streams.

It was interesting meeting with various individuals and listening to their take on what got us here and what we need to do to help with bettering and cleaning up our lakes and streams. It took us a while to get here and it will take a while to get back.

Two years ago we all remember what a shock it was to hear that our water wasn't safe to drink.

The most important thing that I got out of this cruise was that we all play a part in this cleanup. It is most important to know not only what things to throw away but most importantly how and where we throw things away. I have to admit I am probably guilty of not paying attention to this as much as I should have, but I will be now.

Two things we could put on our calendars: One is that we can join Partners for Clean Streams Saturday, September 17, 8:30 - noon at University of Toledo, Olander Park, or International Park for their local Kickoff. An appreciation picnic will follow. Also, on November 1 at the National Museum of the Great Lakes there will be a Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting and Election. This is at 1701 Front Street - doors open at 6 p.m.

Pat Konwinski

Ole Man of the River

It has been announced that our very own Clement Cybulski has been named 2016 Ole Man of the River by the Point Place Yacht clubs. There will be a boat parade and ceremonies @ 1 PM on Sunday, September 25 @ River View Yacht Club. The public is welcome.