

The Trojan Kiwanews

#### A Message from our President

Hello Fellow Kiwanians,

Another membership renewal has come and gone. A sincere thank you to all members who have chosen to renew their commitment to the mission of Kiwanis – dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.

Membership is about so much more than simply holding the title of Kiwanian. It's about showing up, participating in fundraisers, volunteering your time, and making a meaningful impact on the lives of children in our community. Let's make the 2025–2026 year a great one, full of service, support, and shared success for the Kiwanis Club of Troy!

On a personal note, I wanted to share that I will be out of commission for a couple of months as we welcome a beautiful bundle of joy into the world. I'm currently scheduled to bring baby Ella into the world on November 13th! Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers for a safe delivery and a healthy mom and baby.

During my time away, Donn Craig will be stepping in to fulfill the President's duties. Thank you, Donn, I truly appreciate your support!

Warm regards, Ashley Brocious President, Kiwanis Club of Troy



# October 2025

#### Officers 2024-2025

<u>President</u> Ashley Brocious

<u>President Elect</u> Donn Craig

<u>Vice President</u> Vacant

<u>Secretary</u> Penny Hoekstra

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Angela Benedict
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Meetings: 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 12p

Board Meetings: Second Wednesday of every month, immediately following membership meeting

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## Troy VS Piqua

A big thank you to the Kiwanis Club of Piqua for once again hosting the annual Troy vs. Piqua Rivalry meeting! This cherished tradition continues to celebrate the deeprooted history between our two schools.

This year's meeting was especially meaningful, as the Athletic Directors from both schools brought along football players

and cheerleaders to share what the rivalry means to them personally. Their reflections highlighted the pride, passion, and community spirit that make this game so special.

The 2025 edition of the "Battle on the Miami" took place on Friday, September 12, at Troy Memorial Stadium. In a hard-fought matchup, Troy defeated Piqua 28–7, securing the latest victory in Ohio's oldest football rivalry. With this win, the Traditions Trophy stays in Troy for another year! Go Trojans!

#### Meetings (2nd & 4th Wednesday 12:00p-1:00p)

October 8 - Installation of Officers & Speaker: Andrea Wackler, with the Troy-Miami County Public Library

October 22 - Restaurant To Be Determined

Please check your emails the morning of the meeting if it says TBD.

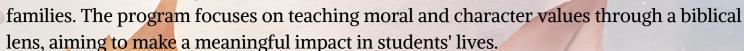
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# LifeWise Launches in Troy City Schools

If you haven't heard yet, LifeWise Academy has officially launched in Troy City Schools this year! Over the summer, Executive Director Stephanie Henderson presented to our club, outlining the program's mission, operational plans, and the critical need for financial support to sustain it.

LifeWise offers Bible-based character education to public school students during school hours, all at no cost to



The program began with 25 students across Concord and Hook Elementary Schools on its first day. By the second week, that number had grown to 45 students and by the end of September, 55 students are now participating in LifeWise.

As LifeWise Academy continues to grow in Troy City Schools, the program has submitted a request to the Kiwanis Club of Troy for a \$5,000 donation to help support the children enrolled in the program. These funds would directly assist with program operations, materials, transportation, and expansion efforts, allowing more students to benefit from Bible-based character education at no cost to their families. There will be a member vote held on November 12. Please make sure you attend!

## Member Vote on November 12: LifeWise

#### Aktion Club

For our September meeting, Aktion Club of Miami County took a field trip to St. Patrick Soup Kitchen in Troy to learn about the many ways they support people in need. The group enjoyed the presentation and discussed ways they could help the soup kitchen by doing service projects for them throughout the year.

Our October meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 7 at Lost Creek Reserve at 10:00am. We will be helping the Miami County Park Department with clean up duty before their very popular annual event – Fall Farm Fest. If anyone is interested in joining us in this service project, please dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes! We look forward to seeing you soon.

Patrick Kilbane, Aktion Club Co-Advisor



Aktion Club at St. Patrick Soup Kitchen