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John Buchna Downtown Master Plan



John Buchna has been at the helm of the Erie Downtown Partnership since 2012. As CEO John leads a dedicated team who are extremely committed to creating a better downtown experience for all by implementing the nationally recognized Main Street Four-Point Approach to community development.

This approach includes initiatives that help promote downtown, keep it safe, clean and green, spur economic vitality and create design guidelines to make a meaningful visual impact that attracts business investment and visitors to the downtown.

Prior to joining the Erie Downtown Partnership, John was a consultant with the Gannon SBDC, and has also held numerous marketing positions in manufacturing as well as owned his own successful marketing business for many years. His passion for downtown is contagious as he influences others to Care About Revitalizing Erie. You'll learn more about the Erie Downtown Partnership's new Downtown Master Plan and CARE campaign and how you can be a part of it.

Supporting Cast:

President: Laurie Root

Greeter: Terry Pytlarz

Invocation: Nicole Reitzell

Pianist: Bruce Gingrich

Song Leader: Michael Malthaner

Sgt at Arms: Brenda Bennett

Speaker Intro: Geri Cicchetti

Program Schedule

12:00 pm LUNCH MEETING
at the Bayfront Convention Center

OCTOBER 19:

Dr. Jay Badams, Superintendent
Erie School District:
Community Schools Initiative

OCTOBER 26:

Jeff Simmons & Beth Marshall
Rotary Youth Exchange Program

****Lunch meeting @
Courtyard Marriott Bayfront**

NOVEMBER 2:

Cathy von Birgelen
eMarketing Learning Center
@ Ben Franklin

****Breakfast Meeting @ MFA**



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DISTRICT SITE: ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG



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Reminder:

The **October 12th meeting** will be a luncheon meeting but held **at the Bayfront Convention Center** (*not the Sheraton*).

Reminder:

The **October 26th meeting** will be a luncheon meeting held **at the Courtyard Marriott Bayfront** (*not the Sheraton*).

*They validate parking tickets, so Rotarians:
bring them in with you to the meeting*



2017 ETHICS SYMPOSIUM AT MERCYHURST UNIVERSITY



The Ethics Symposium #7 will be held on March 7th at Mercyhurst University. Volunteers are needed for registration, guides, and for facilitator – Rotarian small group discussions.

If interested in volunteering please see **Stephanie Williams** (wlfive74@gmail.com)

-or-

Heather Yahn (heather@HAYprojectmanager.com).

This year's volunteers who will have direct contact with the students, need to secure only the Child Abuse (SP4-164A) form.

The on-line form can be secured at <https://epatch.state.pa.us/>.

If you have had clearances within the last 60 months, you do not need to secure a new one. The clearance should be completed by February 10th (*this will enable you to be approved to volunteer for the next several years*). Just print and provide the document to Stephanie or Heather.





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

October Citizenship Ceremony

October 19, 2016



Rotary has a long and proud tradition of welcoming new Americans during the citizenship ceremony at the Federal Courthouse on Perry Square. Each ceremony includes a speech from Walter Harf to welcome the newest Americans in our community. Volunteer greeters are needed for the upcoming October 19th ceremony (time requirement approximately 9:45-11:00 AM).

Qualifications include a friendly smile and a willingness to offer a warm Erie Rotary welcome and congratulations to those taking the oath.

If interested, please contact Nathan Koble at 814.881.3793 -or- email at KobleN@natfuel.com. The ceremony is an opportunity to participate in a quintessential American experience with fellow Rotarians in one of Erie's most stately buildings.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY *to you!*

We want to send birthday wishes to
Mark Louis on October 11th
 and
Brenda Bennett on October 13th!

Enjoy your day!



Do you want to bring a guest to the Rotary meeting?

Contact Gary Flick the Monday before for ample seating
814.454.3737



We provide **emergency shelter** to families who have lost everything.

Here is the latest information about Hurricane Matthew and ShelterBox's response.
Dedicated Webpage: <http://shelterboxusa.org/matthew>

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HURRICANE MATTHEW UPDATE



KEY POINTS:

- Hurricane Matthew is currently tearing through the Caribbean, destroying homes and communities in its path
- The category 4 storm is hitting some of the region's most vulnerable areas, including Haiti, which is still recovering from the catastrophic earthquake in 2010
- With 145mph winds, it is the most powerful storm to affect Haiti in more than 50 years
- Haiti is one of the world's poorest countries, and many residents live in structurally unsound housing in flood prone areas
- This storm could leave thousands of families exposed to the elements, along with increasing the likelihood of waterborne diseases like cholera
- Up to 12,000 people in Haiti are now struggling with shelter
- Destruction of the bridge that links the capital, Port-au-Prince, with the southern part of the country means that many communications and infrastructure networks are down, making information gathering very difficult

OUR RESPONSE:

- The operations team is deploying a ShelterBox Response Team to Haiti, to arrive in country on Friday as airport closures in Port-au-Prince prevent earlier arrival
- Initial contact has been made with the Rotarian Haiti Disaster Chair
- ShelterBox already has some aid stored in Haiti and large stocks of aid in Panama, ready to assist during the hurricane season. With airports closed, some of this aid has already been dispatched from Curacao aboard the Dutch Navy vessel HMNS Holland. The aid includes water filtration equipment which will be vital given the flooding, solar lighting to assist during electricity blackouts, blankets, special shelter kits of tools and tarpaulins to help weatherproof damaged buildings.
- We're also continuing to monitor Hurricane Matthew as it makes its way through the Bahamas and toward the eastern U.S.

ABOUT ACCEPTING DONATIONS:

Because we are currently assessing the best way to respond and the most appropriate aid for the situation, and we do not yet know the full scale of our response, we cannot accept donations restricted to the Hurricane Matthew response.

We are requesting donor support that will help us to provide emergency aid to families affected by the Hurricane, support people affected by disaster in our numerous other ongoing responses around the world, and enable replacement of exhausted aid supplies.

Deployment Essentials or Unrestricted funds would be the most appropriate at this time.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Social Media ideas: One of the quickest ways to help is by sharing our updates with your entire network and encouraging them to share with their networks. Here is an example:

- 12,000 people in #Haiti possibly without shelter after #Matthew. ShelterBox Response Team to conduct assessment.
<http://shelterboxusa.org/matthew>

Please be sure when posting to social media or emailing information to link to the ShelterBox USA information (not ShelterBox).



NEW MEMBER!

Korin M. Giles, M.S.

Korin Giles started her career as a biology teacher in the Wattsburg School District. For the past 25 years she has been the Environmental Practice Leader at Urban Engineers and consults all over the country!

Eight years ago Korin's husband John, had a sudden heart attack, leaving her as a single parent to raise their children Samantha and Jack. Times were trying, but with the help of her employer, Urban Engineers, and her family and friends - they are thriving!

Korin lives in McKean, PA with Samantha who is now 16 and Jack who is 12. They have two dogs, Taz, a Labrador and Hoss a border collie. Samantha is in the band at General McLane so that consumes most of Korin's weekends!

In her spare time(which is minimal) Korin enjoys painting, traveling, spending time in the pool, and reading! She is active in the adoption and foster parents network. She is a member of McClane Church in Edinboro, and hosts a bible study group at her home each week.

Please give warm Rotary Welcome to Korin Giles!!!

