



Independent
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Pioneer
Association

Special Points of
Interest:

- Fall Meeting 2025
- Fall Project – 2025
- Scholarship
Application

*Catch that
Pioneering Spirit!*

2025 Projects – In Your Local Area and Statewide

Alzheimer's Walk – 2025.
The Walk to end Alzheimer's.
In your own area!

Salvation Army – Please
consider donating in your local
area. There is a great need for
non-perishable food items.

Troop/Veteran Support – Help
a local military group or
donate to a V.A. Center in
your area.

*Thank you for your support of
chapter and club projects!*

**SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION
ENCLOSED**

Summer Update – Pioneer Activities

ITPA Buckeye State Chapter

July 2025

Fall Meeting 2025 – Sugarcreek, Ohio–October 3-5, 2025

Buckeye State Chapter Pioneers, family, and friends are invited to gather at the Dutch Host Inn in Sugarcreek, Ohio the evening of October 3rd (6:00 p.m.) through Saturday evening, October 4th, for the annual meeting and dinner.

Friday evening (Oct. 3rd) – 6:00 p.m. & after – Meet & Greet in the Dutch Host Inn conference room. Buckeye Chapter members will bring items for an evening meal (sandwiches or casseroles, vegetables, fruit, dessert, snacks, and drinks).

Saturday morning (Oct. 4th) – 10:00 a.m. – Chapter Business Meeting (open to all) in the Dutch Host Inn conference room.
Free time after meeting until dinner.

Saturday evening (Oct. 4th) – 6:00 p.m. – Gather for the buffet dinner at the Dutch Valley Restaurant less than 1 mile from the Dutch Host Inn, then back to the hotel conference room for presentations, fellowship, and fun.

Hotel reservations – Please make your own reservations. Please see the enclosed flyer for details. (Room rates vary by day of the week and room type.) Reservations due no later than August 21, 2025.

A registration form is enclosed with this newsletter. Registration is due to Darlene Roll by September 13, 2025 for the meal. The cost of Saturday evening's meal is \$30.00 per person. All other meals are on your own.

Fall Projects – 2025 – NEW PROJECT!

We are collecting items or financial donations for Nationwide Children's Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

Items needed: 2-way zip sleepers, onesies, and sleepers without feet. These items are the easiest for the babies because they are on continuous monitoring.

If you are unable to attend but would like to participate, as always, we collect "Pennies for Pioneers" (also known as any financial donations). *Please make checks payable to Buckeye State Chapter ITPA, with "Pennies for Pioneers" on the memo line.* Send checks to Darlene Roll, 1385 Township Road 216, Bellefontaine, OH 43311-9644.

Projects Win Awards!

Congratulations to Buckeye Chapter and Mid-Ohio Club for winning awards in the ITPA annual awards program again this year. Awards received were:

Mid-Ohio Club (1 award) – Mid-Ohio Club will receive an honorable mention award at the ITPA mini-assembly in Darien, Georgia in November. Members supported the Buckeye Chapter project, “Rewired” and provided school supplies for students in a private school in Newark.

Buckeye Chapter (3 awards) – The Chapter will receive a 1st place award at the ITPA mini-assembly for their support of ITPA national projects (Alzheimer’s and troop/veteran support). A key area of this was with members participating in “Wreaths Across America” in Ohio.

The Chapter will receive a 2nd place award for their Pioneer Choice activity, Providing Support after Hurricane Helene in Tennessee and North Carolina.

Buckeye Chapter will receive a 3rd place award for their “Rewired” project that provided school supplies and other items to a private school in Newark, Ohio.

Thank you to all who supported these activities!

*Volunteers Leading
Through Community Service!*

In Our Thoughts

Our thoughts and prayers are with Pioneer families who have lost a loved one during this past year or are dealing with health issues.

Deceased (with company reference based on information available):

- Joseph Ball – New Philadelphia, Ohio (GTE)
- Robert Hudson – Farmdale, Ohio (United Telephone)

Mid-Ohio Club Disbands Members Move to Buckeye State Chapter

Sadly, due to less members and changes in bank charges for small accounts, Mid-Ohio Club has chosen to disband. However, all members will remain as Pioneers as part of Buckeye State Chapter. Mid-Ohio Club was the last individual club still existing in Buckeye State Chapter. All others had previously disbanded and moved to the Chapter.

“Dues/Mailing Fee”

Each year, we ask Buckeye State Chapter Pioneers to make a \$5.00 donation for Dues/Mailing Fees. The purpose of this fee is to help cover some of the costs associated with the operations of Buckeye State Chapter. Please send your payment to Chapter Treasurer, Darlene Roll (checks payable to Buckeye State Chapter ITPA), 1385 Township Road 216, Bellefontaine, OH 43311-9644.

Building Friendships

We welcome our Tennessee, North Carolina, and South Carolina Friends (Pioneers) who plan to visit Ohio in October. Some Ohio Pioneers are heading to Aberdeen, North Carolina in August to attend their state get-together.

ITPA Mini-Assembly Flyer

Information about the ITPA Mini-Assembly in Darien, Georgia in November is on a separate page.

Have a wonderful summer! Hope to see some of you in Sugarcreek, Ohio in October!

In 2024, we collected \$300.00 in “Pennies” Thank you!