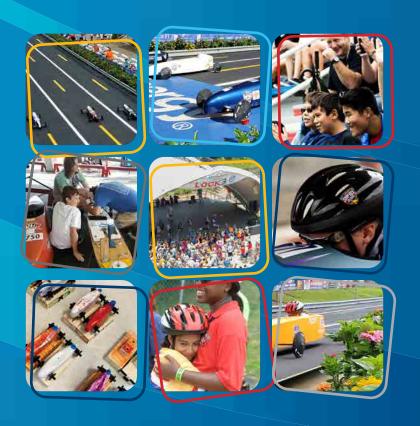
## 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

## SOAP BOX Derby



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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is my privilege to be the President and CEO of the International Soap Box Derby. Focusing on the mission of the Derby and impacting youth with skills that will last a lifetime is vital to the future success. of the Derby.

I am still in awe of the volunteer support we receive through race families, Race Directors, Regional Directors, Board of Directors, Commissions, committee members and volunteers who give countless hours supporting racing, education and the mission. We cannot thank you enough for the time and energy you give to the Soap Box Derby.

We had some great news this past summer when FirstEnergy renewed their sponsorship for the FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby for five years, which carries through the 2023 season. We are excited for the 83rd FEAASBD as we try to bring fans back to the track.

When looking at the strategy of the Soap Box Derby, we really have three main initiatives. We continue to focus on strengthening our race cities, while trying to attract more new race cities. Our current and future education programs are vital to growing the base of the Soap Box Derby nationally. And finally, providing meaningful experiences and reaching out to the local community. These three initiatives are all priorities to help the Derby continue to grow.

Derby Downs hosted more than 80 event days last year including our Corporate Derby Challenge, our largest fundraiser; the Gravity Racing Challenge sponsored by the University of Akron College of Engineering for school teams to participate; Legacy Motors Senior Day presented by Western Reserve Hospital and Danbury Senior Living; GPD Employees' Foundation



presented Inclusion Day; and Veteran's Day presented by the Musson Family Foundation and Sam's Club.

We have become very intentional about focusing on our community, and last year

I am proud to say with the generous support of local Foundations we gave back nearly \$120,000 in racing and education products to community partners, schools, and other not-for-profits. We also provided many under-served youth with opportunities to experience the Thrill of the Hill. Our staff is also very proud of the volunteer hours we contribute as we work with our partners to make Summit County and Northeast Ohio a better place.

Summer Camps are providing more opportunities throughout the country to impact students. We are appreciative of the education programs we are doing with partners nationally in Indiana, New York, Virginia, Ohio and Florida as we keep advancing our mission.

The future of the Derby may include more international outlets, exploring coding/ programming in our STEM programs as we look at autonomous racing, and researching television for the All-American World Championship.

When looking for opportunities, we hope you will consider using your time, talent and resources to support us as we continue to impact today's youth.

Sincerely,

Mark Gerberich President & CEO

#### **ABOUT US**

#### MISSION STATEMENT

The International Soap Box Derby® is a non-profit youth education and leadership development organization whose mission is to build knowledge and character, and to create meaningful experiences through collaboration, fair and honest racing competitions, STEM curriculum, and other community-focused activities.



The Derby is the official sanctioning body of Soap Box Derby racing and has exclusive licensing partnerships with more than 100 race cities throughout world. These race cities conduct sanctioned Soap Box Derby races throughout the year and qualify champs for the annual FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby® World Championship race at the world famous Derby Downs Track in Akron, Ohio.

A fast-growing segment of the organization, The Derby's Education Program includes









a STEM-Based Curriculum, the Gravity Racing Challenge® STEM Team Competition and a Mini Soap Box Derby program.

The Board of Directors oversees the operation of the Derby, and the day-to-day activities are handled by the Headquarters staff in Akron.

The Derby also operates the world famous Derby Downs Track in Akron, Ohio where various events are held throughout the racing season.



#### **OUR STAFF**

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## THE HISTORY OF THE SOAP BOX DERBY



The Derby dates back to 1934, when the first All-American race was held in Dayton, Ohio. The All-American program has grown to more than 1,300 races and more than 100 racing cities throughout the world each year.



The FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby Racing Program and the STEM-Based Education Program provide educational opportunities and youth leadership development for youth in grades K-12.

The Gravity Racing Challenge STEM Team Competition, Soap Box Derby Mini-Car Program, Soap Box Derby STEM camps and our STEM Curriculum are being used by more than 700 schools.

1934



First All-American Soap Box Derby ran in Dayton, Ohio. The winner was 11 year-old Bob Turner of Muncie, Indiana. 1935



The second All-American Soap Box Derby was moved to Akron and ran on Tallmadge Avenue Hill 1936



Derby Downs opened.
Built by the Works Progress
Administration (WPA).

1946



Soap Box Derby racing resumed after a four year suspension during World War II. 1971



Girls competed in Soap Box Derby racing for the first time. 1976



1986



The first sanctioned rally races were held. Racers had potential to earn a wildcard slot for the All-American Soap Box Derby.

1992



The Stock Car division was added for ages 8 through 13. A new headquarters building opened on the west side of the track. 1993



Rally division champions quality for The All-American Championship Race 1995



Super Stock kit cars wreplaced kit cars in 1995.

1997



The first Hall of Fame recipient, Myron Scott, was honored in 1997 to recognize individuals devoting extreme time, talent and financial support toward the Soap Box Derby. 2012



More than 550 racers ages 7 to 17 competed in the 75th FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby. They represented 40 states, Canada, Germany, Japan and New Zealand.

2019



The Soap Box Derby installed a new electronic scoreboard in July of 2019 to advance and refine our scoring system.

#### A WIDESPREAD IMPACT

The Soap Box Derby strives to have a positive impact throughout many levels, particularly local schools and communities. New programs blending fun and learning are thoughtfully developed to engage and challenge our youth toward technical fields. The grants awarded in 2019 provided the opportunities and equipment listed below.





Mini Soap Box Derby Car Tracks

68 Tool Kits





#### **EDUCATIONAL IMPACT**

Nearly \$120,000 was contributed toward educational materials within schools during the 2019 fiscal year

- Akron Children's Museum
- Akron Public Schools: Ellet High School Firestone Park Elementary Hatton CLC Hyre Middle School
- Akron Urban League
- Barberton Local Schools
- Berkeley County Schools: Tomahawk Intermediate School
- Canton City Schools
- Coventry Local Schools: Coventry Elementary Coventry High School
- Cuyahoga Falls Local Schools
- Emmanuel Christian Academy
- Green Local Schools: Green High School Green Intermediate School
- Launch Kenmore
- Manchester Local Schools: Manchester Middle School
- Mogadore Local Schools: O.H. Sommers Elementary School
- Salvation Army
- South Akron Youth Mentorship
- Springfield Local Schools: Schrop Intermediate School Springfield High School
- Tallmadge Local Schools: Munroe Elementary School
- Urban Vision



## **LONG-TERM VOLUNTEERS**





Volunteers have been the foundation of the Soap Box Derby since its beginning. We rely heavily on our volunteers to ensure success in all of our race locations.

We were fortunate to have more than 300 volunteers for the FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby World Championship and a total of more than 3,300 volunteers who support all of our events yearly around the world.

Our volunteers at Derby Downs have come from a variety of organizations throughout Greater Akron.





#### **2019 VOLUNTEER GROUPS**

AAA

A Kid Again

Allstate Insurance

B.T. Klein's Landscaping

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

DRB Systems, LLC

GPD Employee's Foundation

FirstEnergy

Keep Akron Beautiful

Oriana House

Sam's Club

Summit DD

#### **EVENT/AREA OF VOLUNTEERISM**

Local Challenge event

A Kid Again event

Painted tunnel entrance

Planted decorative plants and spread mulch

All-American & GRC events

Managed Amabassador program for the All-American Championship race as well as helped with funraising support for CDC

Inclusion Day & A Kid Again events

Sponsor of the FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby World Championship Race

Planted flowers alongside the track

Helped load cars onto trailers all season

Veterans Appreciation Day event

Donated and drove buses for Inclusion Day

## 2019 PRESIDENT'S YOUTH VOLUNTEER SFRVICE AWARD WINNERS

The award was established to recognize youth under the age of 21 who have made a positive impact on Soap Box Derby programs by volunteering and mentoring on the local or national level.



SARAH KOLFSAR OF GREEN, OHIO



**XANDER NIHART** OF UTICA, OHIO



**ALLISON PANKOFF** OF PARKER, COLORADO



ABIGAIL WALDRON LLOYD OF ROANOKE. VIRGINIA

Sarah Kolesar, 16, started competing in Soap Box Derby events in 2015, and aualified for the 2018 FirstÉnergy All-American Soap Box Derby as a Rally champion. She represented the Akron local as Super Stock champion in July's All-American race. She also competes in rallies throughout Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Since 2015, Kolesar has volunteered as a co-pilot in local and national SuperKids races for special needs children. She also encourages other racers, volunteers in the Soap Box Derby headquarters office at Derby Downs, as well as for her church and at Green High School where she is in her junior year.

Xander Nihart, 18, started racing in 2015, as part of the Soap Box Derby's STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education program in Columbus, Ohio. He competed in the 2018 FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby as a Super Stock rally champion and returned in 2019 as a Masters rally champion. He serves on the Columbus local Derby organization's board of directors and volunteers in Columbus, Lancaster and in Akron to help set up the track equipment and live streaming the races. Nihart also is a co-pilot for SuperKids races. He graduated this spring from Ohio Connections Academy and began studying machinery operations in August 2019 at Knox County Career Center in Mount Vernon.

Allison Pankoff, 19, started racing in 2008 and has competed in the FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby six times: as the local champion in both the Stock and Super Stock division in Littleton, Colorado, as local Masters division champ in Colorado Springs, and as a rally champion three times. Pankoff was the 2018 world champion in the Rally Masters competition. Since 2012, she has volunteered by sharing her Soap Box Derby experiences to increase awareness of the program and to encourage other racers. She became a member of the All-American's A-team technical support group earlier this year. Pankoff also volunteers for Denver Parks and Recreation programs, 4-H and Girl Scouts. She began her junior year in the fall of 2019 at Colorado State University, studying animal science and agricultural business.

Abigail Waldron Lloyd, 20, helps build awareness in the Soap Box Derby by telling her story at mall shows and other venues. She has been volunteering since 2011, helping locally to teach driving skills to younger racers and how to enjoy participating in the Soap Box Derby, Since 2015. she also volunteers for the All-American activities in Akron. Waldron Lloyd has competed in the FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby seven times: as both a local Super Stock and Masters champion and as a Rally champion five times. She returned in 2019, as a Masters division rally champion. She is studying accounting at Virginia Western Community College.

# PREVIOUS PRESIDENT'S YOUTH VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

2018 NICK HUBBELL of Johnstown, Ohio

2018 GEORDAN WELLS of Indianapolis, Indiana

**2018 TREVOR WIESNER** of Spencerport, New York

2017 ALEX SEITHER of Mason, Ohio

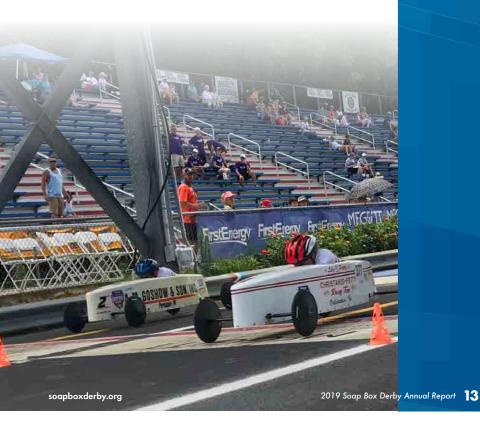
2016 VERONICA HARRIS of Campbell, California

2016 LAURA HUBBELL of Johnstown, Ohio

2015 JORDAN PRUDEN of Bowling Green, Kentucky

2015 AARON ROHRBAUGH of Culpeper, Virginia

2015 TAKATERU "TERU" YAMAMOTO of Japan







Brian Graham helped establish the Soap Box Derby program in Oceanside, California, which staged its first race in 1995. He served as local race director as well as a board member from 1995 through 2005. He joined the All-American Soap Box Derby's rally commission in 1997, and served as its chairman from 2015 through 2017. He became an assistant regional director in 1998, and ended in 2019. Brian has been active in the California Family Soap Box Derby Association and has served as announcer for many Soap Box Derby events throughout California and during race week in Akron.

#### ED HARMON OF AKRON, OHIO

Edgar "Ed" Harmon, 85, is a life-long Akron resident who raced in the Akron local race for three years beginning in 1947. He returned to the Soap Box Derby scene in 1985, when his oldest grandson first raced. He became a board member for the Akron local organization in 1998, then a member of the A-Team technical support group for the All-American Soap Box Derby. Harmon has contributed his technical expertise for local races in Akron and in Portage County, Ohio, as well as at the All-American championships and SuperKids events by setting up electronic systems for communications, safety, security, timing and race operations. He has advised 17 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren, who participated in Soap Box Derby races.



#### WILL LOOMAN OF AKRON, OHIO

Will Looman began volunteering for the Akron local Soap Box Derby organization in 1980, and served on its board of directors from 1983 through 1996. He was director of the Akron local race from 1987 through 1993, during which time he also began volunteering in technical roles for the All-American Soap Box Derby. In the early 1990s, he joined the All-American's National Control Board (now called the Racing Commission, the top technical and race operations body), on which he continues to serve. Looman was commission chairman from 2012 through 2014, and has served as race director of the All-American world championships since 2012.

Established in 1997, The Soap Box Derby® Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made exemplary contributions to improve the sport, enhance the youth racing program or help its participants through significant financial or sponsorship support.

## PREVIOUS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

2018 Carole Berry, Craig Flury

7017 Ken Cline, Mark Packard

2016 Chuck Jones, John Esque, Bill Speeg

2015 Bob Cooper, Fran Seabeck, Bud Seabeck

2014 Rick Acker, Alan Howe, Mark Scuderi

2013 Bill Harris, Ken Morrow, Marty Sullivan

2012 Dale Russell, Millie Esque, Jack Engelke

Jerry Van Waart, Pat Taylor

2010 Norm Perry

2009 George Rodenbaugh, Akron Mayor Don Plusquellic

2008 Brooks Townsend, Don Huminsky, Ron Reed, Russ Kinsey

2007 Jack Gormley, Bob McLaughlin, Jimmy Collier

2006 Bob Campbell, Herman "Tex" Finsterwald, Bruce Hunsicker, Jeff Iula

2005 Shirley Foster, Tony DeLuca, Paul Arnsmeyer, Roy Hartz

2004 Don Adams, David J. Holly, Ira C. Sapozink, Ronald Reagan

**2003** Jim Underwood, Bob Troyer, Bill Kuntz

2002 Bill Ford, Jack Morran, Bob Turner

2001 Don Lenox, Don Meech, Tom Kilroy, Ray Schieb

2000 Bruce Buchholzer, Bob Gravett, Ron Baker

1999 Marie Wright, Ralph Barnes, Ralph Iula, Loris C. Troyer, Frank A. 'Whitey" Wahl

1998 John S. Knight, Mason Bell, George W. Brittain, Jim Ott, Howard Flood

1997 Myron E. Scott, Bain E. "Shorty" Fulton, Jim Schlemmer, Jimmy Stewart, Wilbur Shaw





#### **AWARDS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS**



#### 2019 DISTINGUISHED AWARD OF COUNCIL

Presented by Akron Council Engineering and Scientific Societies (ACESS) at the 72nd Annual Acess Honors & Awards Banquet on November 7, 2019 to Mark Gerberich, President & CEO, International Soap Box Derby for his dynamic leadership in community, technical and professional activities which has enhanced the prestige of the engineering and scientific societies.



Left to right, Mark Mroczynski, Mark Gerberich, Gregg Mervis

#### 2019 CHAMPION OF ECONOMIC IMPACT IN SPORTS TOURISM

Presented by Sports Destination Management, the award was presented jointly to the International Soap Box Derby and the Akron/Summit Convention & Visitors Bureau in recognition of outstanding accomplishments in event planning and economic



#### FRONT COVER FEATURES on Tourism Ohio 2020 Spring/Summer calendar of events and

impact.

2019 TravelHost July/August issue both distributed at Visitor Centers and rest areas across the state.

### HIGHLIGHTS



#### **RACES**

- 82nd FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby
- Gravity Racing Challenge STEM Team Competition presented by The University of Akron College of Engineering
- AAA Local Challenge
- Rally Challenge
- NEW Legacy Division
- NEW All-Star Division Races
- United Way Corporate Derby Challenge presented by Fallsway Equipment Company



#### **EVENT DAYS**

- FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby Championship
- Legacy Motors Senior Day presented by Western Reserve Hospital, Western Reserve Hospital Senior Coalition, Danbury Senior Living
- Soap Box Derby STEM Summer Camps
- Veterans Appreciation Day presented by Musson Foundation & Sam's Club
- GPD Employees' Foundation presented Inclusion Day



#### STAFF VOLUNTEERISM

- United Way page it forward book drive
- Feed My Sheep at Redeemer United Methodist Church
- Polar Express at Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad
- United Way holiday snack Pack sort-a-thon



#### **MORE**

- Updated the three-year strategic plan
- Hall of Fame Induction
- President's 2019 Youth Volunteer Service Awards
- Corporate events
- Continuation of STEM curriculum
- Introduction of Autonomous DigiRacer

## BY THE NUMBERS

#### **DERBY DOWNS**

Years of Tradition

Event Days in 2019

10000+ Trips Down the Track

30+ MPH Down the Track

Feet of Gravity

Millions of Dollars of Economic

#### **MEDIA IMPRESSIONS**

**11,700,000+** ™

56,600+ Twitter

22,700+ Instagram

73,500+ Facebook

Webcast Views

#### **STEM EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Schools using our STEM Programs

Student Participants

#### **GRAVITY RACING CHALLENGE**

GRC Students Engaged in Ohio

GRC Locations

**Educational Teams** Competing in GRC

#### **ALL-AMERICAN SOAP BOX DERBY**

Race Cities

Races to Date

Race Participants

**World Champions** 

## FINANCIAL POSITION

## **ASSETS**

Cash and Cash Equivalents \$146,944

Accounts Receivable \$112,011

Other Assets \$333,319

Inventories \$163,736

Property & Equipment (net) \$1,923,639

Total \$2,679,649

#### **OPERATING EXPENSES**



## LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS

 Current Liabilities
 \$199,500

 Long Term Liabilities
 \$425,417

 Total Equity
 \$2,054,732

 Total
 \$2,679,649

#### **OPERATING INCOME**





#### OUR PARTNERS

Our programs and events would not be possible without the support of all partners listed. A sincere thank you to all who help with our youth racing program!



#### **GRANTS** October 2018 to September 2019

AAA Advised Fund of the Tuscarawas County Community Foundation Akron Community Foundation Community Fund

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