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**Columbia Kiwanis Club
Shares the Joy
of Reading**

Serving the Children of the World tm

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Kiwanis One Day

Kiwanis is all about service; to our communities and to the children of the world. Soon, we'll have a chance to show this to all the world. Saturday, April 2, is Kiwanis One Day, when Kiwanis clubs around the world will demonstrate their commitment to service with special projects in their com-



munities. I know that Kiwanis clubs throughout the Missouri - Arkansas District will be participating in this special day of service as well, and I want to brag about it. I plan to devote an entire section of the May issue of the

Kiwanigram to Kiwanis One Day projects. If your club is holding a Kiwanis One Day service event, let me know about it so that I can share it with everyone in MoArk. Take pictures of your club members as they participate in service to your community, write up a description of the event, and send them to me. I'll take submissions by U.S. mail to 1022 E. Greenwood St., Springfield, Mo. 65807 or electronically to Kiwanigram@gmail.com. Submission guidelines can be found on the last page of every issue of the Kiwanigram.

I know that you're proud of your Kiwanis club. Here's your chance to tell everyone in the district how proud you are, too. And, who knows, you just may inspire another club to start a new service project of their own. Let's show everyone how MoArk serves the children of the world.

David Bohnenkamper
Kiwanigram Editor

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE



January and February were busy and very rewarding months. I made my official Governor's visits to Region IV and Region VI. I was able to visit with some terrific Kiwanians and hear about some of the outstanding work that they are doing in their communities. During these visits I was



able to attend several Kiwanis Club meetings. It is always great to hear firsthand about the achievements of our Kiwanis Clubs.

The end of February brought us our Mid-Winter Conference. I hope everyone enjoyed the fun, fellowship and educational opportunities there. We were privileged to have Kiwanis International President-elect Jane Erickson, and her husband Gus, join us. They provided us with several inspirational and educational messages during the conference. I want to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this Mid-Winter Conference a success.

March and April are going to continue to be busy. I will be attending the MO-ARK Key Club District Leadership Conference in addition to making my Governor's visits to Regions I, II and III. I hope to be able to visit several individual clubs in the Regions as I make my visits. I look forward to attending the 95th anniversary celebration of the Jefferson City Kiwanis Club on April 21st. I will end April with a District Board meeting and Lieutenant Governor training for the incoming Lieutenant Governors.

One of my great joys during my visits around the district has been to visit a local elementary school. First Lady Lori reads a book to a first grade class and then leaves several books for their classroom library. It is really great to see the kids enjoy the story time and how excited they are about learning to read.

This month I encourage you to continue your impact on your community by living the second object of Kiwanis: "To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships." Remember this Kiwanis object as you "share your life" through Kiwanis.

Lori and I are looking forward to visiting with you all as we make our visits around the District.

Governor Don



John Haralson and Jack Meinzenbach from the Kiwanis Club of Columbia (Missouri) bring the printed word to life for a very receptive and appreciative audience at the Nora Stewart Early Learning Center. Members of the club read to children at the center every Tuesday morning.

Kiwanis in Action

News from the clubs



Each month the Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recognizes students of the month. Students are honored for their outstanding academic performance, community activities, and the service and leadership they perform at their schools and in the community.



Above: February Student of the Month Addie Martin of Washington Middle School

Left: March Students of the Month Rachel McCloskey of St. Mark Catholic School and Samantha Gindler of Bernard Middle School

On February 20, 2016, excited students, their families and Kiwanians gathered for the seventh Annual Kiwanis Bowling Social at Oasis Lanes in Union, Missouri. The Bowling Social celebrates all the Student Service Leadership Programs in the Union R-XI School District; Beaufort Elementary and Clark-Vitt Schools K-Kids, Union Middle School Builders Club, and Union High School Key Club. Students from the Union Middle School Basketball Team also participated. A record number of 166 people attended this event, including 80 students. Union Kiwanis, along with major sponsors, provided two games of Cosmic Bowling, pizza and soda, and raffle prizes.

Union Kiwanis Bowling Social, 2016



Kiwanis in Action **News from the clubs**



Above Left: Union Central Elementary third grader Vincent Butterfield, with cool shades and beads, gets ready to throw a strike.



Above Right: Union High School Key Club Sponsor Jeff VanZee and his two-year-old grandson had a great time bonding and bowling at the Union Kiwanis Bowling Social.

Below: Jenna Koch, a Beaufort Elementary School K-Kid, plans her next shot. Jenna and 80 other youngsters who participated in the Union Kiwanis sponsored Student Leadership Programs frequently spend their spare time providing service to their school and their community.





The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Officer Paul Gordon of the Affton-Southwest Precinct of the St. Louis County Police Department as its "Officer of the Quarter." Officer Gordon is currently serving as the SRO (School Resource Officer at Lindbergh High School). South County Kiwanis President Judy Burnette presented officer Gordon with a Certificate of Recognition and a gift card to a local restaurant.

Kiwanis in Action

News from the clubs



Ralph Baldi from the Kiwanis Club of Springfield-South joins B.U.G. students at the Musgrave unit of the Boys & Girls Club to celebrate their good grades.

In February, the Kiwanis Club of Carrollton (MO) distributed dictionaries to all the third grade students in Carroll County. This is an annual project of the club, which provides the dictionaries free to the students.

On Feb. 25 members of the B.U.G. club at the Boys & Girls Club in Springfield, Missouri celebrated their accomplishments with submarine sandwiches and awards, courtesy of the Kiwanis Club of Springfield-South.

A total of one hundred seventy-one Beaufort Elementary students received awards and recognition in the Terrific Kids program sponsored by the Union (MO) Kiwanis Club.

Beaufort Elementary School third graders received key chains and awards for perfect attendance and for the month of January.



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News from the clubs



The Kiwanis Club of Lebanon (Missouri) helps kids with limited resources participate in school band programs through their Play It Again project. The club takes donations of used musical instruments in good condition and then loans them to needy students. The student must have a signed recommendation from a music director and sign a loan agreement with a parent to be responsible for the instrument except for routine maintenance. Once the student is finished using the instrument, it is returned to the Kiwanis club to be made ready to loan again. The program currently has over 40 instruments loaned out to students in 5 different schools in their county.

The Kiwanis Club of Huntsville (Arkansas) recognized Terrific Kids from Watson Primary School at the Watson Character Rally. Each student was presented with a certificate, a medal, and a gift card from Sonic.

MoArk Midwinter Conference Highlights

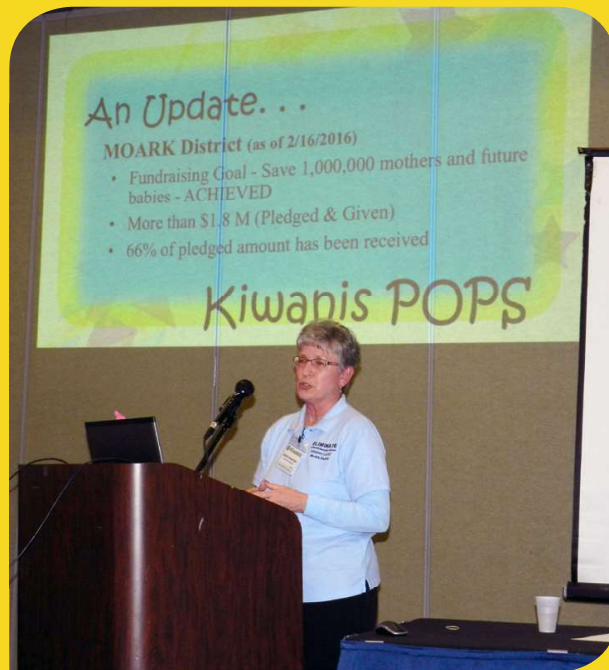
The Midwinter Conference for the Missouri-Arkansas District was held Feb. 26-28 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City, Missouri. The conference kicked off with a pizza party for early arrivers.



Left: Kiwanis International President-Elect Jane Erikson visits with MoArk District Governor Don Leupold at the Early Bird Pizza Party



Conference attendees learned from Susan Jespersen, District Advocate for the Eliminate Project, that the Missouri- Arkansas District had met it's goal of \$1.8 million dollars pledged to the Eliminate Project and that Kiwanis International, with the help of the Kiwanis International Foundation, had met it's goal of \$110 million pledged toward the elimination of maternal neonatal tetanus.



Information booths were open Friday & Saturday so Kiwanians could learn about programs and opportunities available through Kiwanis.





Conference-goers had a chance to learn about an exciting new district project, the Beatrice Johnson Kiwanis Youth Kamp being developed in northwest Arkansas.



Dr. Frankenyates (Dan Yates) encouraged Kiwanians to try The Formula for Kiwanis.



The Missouri-Arkansas District of Circle K International held its annual leadership conference during the Midwinter Conference. Kiwanis International President-Elect Jane Erikson installed the Circle K District Officers for 2016-17 during the Farewell Brunch on Sunday.



Right: Governor Don Leupold installs Jane and Gus Erikson as Honorary Members of MoArk.



Above: Kiwanis International President-Elect Jane Erikson was the keynote speaker at the Governor's Banquet on Saturday night.

MoArk Midwinter Conference Highlights

Cheryl Anderson Announces for Governor Elect for 16-17

Cheryl Anderson has announced for governor elect for 2016-2017 for the Missouri-Arkansas District. Cheryl is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Lee's Summit (MO). She and her husband Richard have two sons and daughter-in-laws and 3 grandchildren. Cheryl is a retired school teacher for the Lee's Summit R-7 District. She taught 7-12 graders in all Social Studies classes, as the only Social Studies teacher in a non-traditional environment.

Kiwanis Activities:

Member of the Raytown Club from 1995-2000.

Served as President Elect 1997-1998 and President 1998-1999

Member of the Lees Summit Club from 2000 to present.

Served as Secretary/Treasurer from 2002-2003

Served as President Elect 2003-2004

Served as President 2004-2005 (Distinguished)

Served as President Elect 2013-2014

Served as President 2014-2015

Served as Chair of the Scholarship Committee 2004-2016

Served as faculty advisor for Summit Ridge Academy Builder's Club 2006-2016

Served as faculty advisor for Summit Ridge Academy Key Club 2006-2016

Served as Division IV Lt. Governor Select 2004-2005

Served as Division IV Lt. Governor Elect 2005-2006

Served as Division IV Lt. Governor 2006-2007

Served as Region One Trustee

Served as Co-Chair for Young Child Priority One 2008-2011

Serve on the Policy and Procedures Committee 2014-present

Serve as Master Trainer for Club Leadership Education

Serve as a CLE trainer 2006-present

Serve on the I-Plan Committee

Key Leader Camp – MO Site Coordinator 2 years, Chaperone 8 years



Honors and Awards

George F. Hixson Award and Diamond Level

Zeller Fellow (2)

Governor's Award

My Kiwanis passions are very diversified. My first passion is education for all Kiwanis members. I believe strongly that every club President and Secretary should be trained annually and every club member should complete the youth protection training annually. My second passion is Key Leader. I first attended in 2008 and immediately became hooked, returning almost every year since. My last big passion is to make the world a better place, to leave it better than I found it (as my parents always taught me).

I have been so fortunate to teach in a non-traditional environment and to see the changes develop over time in my kiddos in class. I am excited to begin my retirement journey and the time it will afford to me to become active in other school programs such as Head Start or mentoring elementary students. I am also excited to bring the I-Plan down to the club level throughout the next two years; this is such an awesome time to be a Kiwanian.

Kiwanis Calendar

April 2, 2016	Kiwanis One Day
April 22-23 2016	District Board Meeting Greenstay Hotel & Suites Springfield, Missouri
April 23-24 2016	Lt. Governor Training Greenstay Hotel & Suites Springfield, Missouri
June 25-28 2016	Kiwanis International Convention Toronto Hilton Hotel Toronto, Ontario, Canada
August 11-13 2016	Mo-Ark District Convention Windham Riverfront Hotel North Little Rock, Arkansas
Feb. 23-25 2017	Midwinter Conference Holiday Inn Executive Center Columbia, Missouri
August 3-6 2017	Mo-Ark District Convention Ramada Oasis Conv. Ctr. Springfield, Missouri

Kiwanigram Submissions

Information to be included in the Kiwanigram may be submitted by mail to 1022 E. Greenwood St., Springfield, MO 65807, or by e-mail to Kiwanigram@gmail.com. Please include the name and location of your club and limit descriptions of events to no more than 100 words. Information about Service Leadership clubs and events may also be submitted. Photos of events are always welcome. Preference will be given to photos of Kiwanians participating in service or fundraising activities and interacting with children at service projects. Please include a brief description of each photo and the names of the people featured in the photo if possible. The deadline for submissions is 5:00 p.m. on the first Friday of the month in which the issue will appear.

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Trenton

Division 5

Kenneth Pike
Columbia

Division 6

Paul Jungermann
St. Peters

Division 16

Bill Baxter
Forrest City

