

# Kiwanigram

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**North Little Rock Kiwanis  
Christmas for Head Start Kids**

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## **Signature Project Competition**

The Missouri-Arkansas District Signature project competition is underway. Click on the link below for the

[Official Rules](#)

of the competition. Projects should be submitted to: [rogerki16@gmail.com](mailto:rogerki16@gmail.com) by **Feb.22, 2017**

## **New ECF Contribution Form**

Changes have been made to the contribution form for the Earl Collins Foundation. Follow this link to download the new

[Earl Collins Foundation Contribution Form.](#)

## **Congratulations to the Winner of the Earl Collins Foundation Football Raffle**

A.J. Panter, husband of Branson Tri-Lakes Kiwanis member Tammy Panter, was the winner of the Earl Collins Foundation Braggin' Rights Football Raffle. A.J. won 2 tickets to the annual University of Arkansas vs University of Missouri football game in Columbia, Mo, on November 25. The prize package also included an overnight stay at the Hampton Inn in Columbia, and a \$250 VISA gift card to cover incidental expenses. Congratulations to A.J. Panter, and thanks for supporting the Earl Collins Foundation.



**L-R:** Danny Fullington, Branson Tri-Lakes President; A. J. Panter; Troy Massey from the Earl Collins Foundation; and Tammy Panter.

# Governor's Message

Happy New Year to you, your family and your Kiwanis Club!!!

I want to recommend some good resolutions (plans) for 2017.

1. Plan to introduce a new member to your club.
2. Plan to grow your club by 3 or more members.
3. Plan to serve more children in your community and world.
4. Plan to be grateful for the blessings you are given.
5. Plan to be generous. Generous people are the happiest people around.
6. Plan to be servant leaders.

A brief confession, I have never been 100% successful in living out all my best resolutions, but if most of us MO-ARK Kiwanians would do our best on these six we would have a great 2016-2017 Kiwanis year.

We are in the season of Regional meetings and our Mid-Winter Conference in Columbia. I invite each of you to consider spending the weekend of Feb. 24-26 in Columbia. The planning committee is working on an exciting event with lots of learning opportunities. I hope you are thinking about how you can be a leader of your club, your division and the MO-ARK District. We are recruiting Lt. Governors for our divisions right now. Talk to your Lt. Governor about how you can serve.

Have a growing month in January!



“Energize The Dream...  
that every child is happy, healthy, safe and loved.”

Roger Jespersen  
MoArk Kiwanis Governor

## Kiwanis Honors

We're proud of ...



Union Kiwanis President Katie Sandoval (surrounded by Union Kiwanis members) accepts a Resolution of the Board from Dr. Virgil Weideman, Union School Board president.

The Union (MO) School Board honored the Union Kiwanis Club for service to the district and the community. The board president said the club performs many projects that positively benefit the lives of children and surrounding areas. The Union Kiwanis Club co-sponsors two K-Kids programs, Builders Club, Key Clubs at Union and Washington high schools as well as Terrific Kids in four elementary schools, and co-sponsors Field Day for Autumn Hill State School and Rainbows Center for special needs students. In 2016 the club helped raise more than \$250,000 for the playground at Union's Veterans' Memorial Park.

## Kiwanis in Action

News from the Clubs



In November the Kiwanis Club of North Little Rock (AR) packed and delivered 150 food baskets for needy families. Each basket had enough food for a family of 6. The North Little Rock Police Department recommended recipients and helped to deliver the baskets. The club has conducted this project for 20 years.







The Columbia (MO) Kiwanis Club recognized two outstanding teachers from Muriel Battle High School. Pictured (from left) are Dr. Kim Presko (school principal), math teacher Michael Collins, 9th grade government teacher Jill Villasana, and Kiwanian Kate McKenzie (recognition committee chair).

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Kiwanians Mike Powers (above) and Paula Adams (left) hand out Christmas gifts to the kids.



Above: Kiwanian Gary Bishop greets one of the honored guests.



The Kiwanis Club of Springfield - South (MO) hosted 22 youth from two Boys and Girls Clubs at their annual Christmas Party at the Incredible Pizza Company. The kids were treated to dinner, games in the game room, and Christmas gifts from lists that were personalized for each child.

Left: Kiwanian Cindy Harris joins some of the kids from the Boys and Girls Clubs for fun in the game room at the Incredible Pizza Co.

Ringing bells for the Salvation Army is a popular Christmas activity for many Kiwanis clubs. Here are some of the clubs that participated in December.

Right: Dolores Stamps and Jeanne Harp of the Springdale (AR) Kiwanis club.

Below: Krista Andrews from the Springfield-South (MO) Kiwanis club.



Right: Paula Roth, Kiwanis club of South County-St. Louis with Key Club-bers Harrison Hong and Leah Depasquale.



Above: Anne Lopez and Gary Gobel  
Right: Audrey Gobel and Brian Hall from the North Kansas City Kiwanis club.

Right: Columbia (MO) Kiwanians Stephen and Laura Deneke and (Below Right) Charlie Lee, John Haralson.





The Kiwanis club of Union (MO) and the Union Middle School Builders Club decorated Christmas stockings for children at the Union R-XI Early Childhood Center and Union Head Start. The stockings will be filled with toys, coloring books, stocking caps and gloves, dental hygiene materials and other goodies.

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Below Left: Julie Duval, Union Kiwanis stocking committee chair, works with a Builders Club student decorating stockings. Right: Union Kiwanian Bruce Templer shows Union R-XI School District students what is in their Christmas stockings.



Members of the North Little Rock Kiwanis Club sponsored a Christmas party, including a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus, for the kids at the Silver City Head Start School. The club partnered with the Union Pacific Railroad to provide Christmas gifts for each of the children.



The Kiwanis clubs of Springfield Downtown and Springfield South (MO) along with the Kickapoo High School Key Club participated in the annual city Christmas parade.

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## News from the Clubs



In December, the Kiwanis club of South County - St. Louis recognized Terrific Kids at Blades

Elementary School (left) and Forder Elementary School (above). These students were chosen by their teachers for having made tremendous improvement in their grades, attendance, or behavior.



The Kiwanis club of Carrollton (AR) recognized Terrific Kids at Carrollton Elementary School and Adams School. The kids received a certificate and a t-shirt. Terrific Kids coordinator Piper Barry inspires the kids to do their best as citizens of their school.



The Huntsville (AR) Kiwanis club took students from three area schools on a Christmas Shopping Spree. The club raised money for the project by holding a huge yard sale / auction (in freezing weather), and through donations from community churches, businesses, and charitable organizations. Club members dressed in holiday themed costumes and members of their Key Club took the kids shopping at the local Walmart.

Students in Union Middle School PAK (Partnering Activity with Kids), working with their Union (MO) Kiwanis club sponsors Marilyn Greife (left) and Nancy Kossmann (in center of second row), look for subjects for their photo projects.







Students from the Union Middle School Builders Club helped to serve desserts for a free Community Dinner at the First Presbyterian Church. The Community Dinner takes place weekly on Tuesday evenings. Union Kiwanis members, students and other volunteers team up to prepare and serve the meals on the fifth Tuesdays of the year.

Canton Key Club members decorated the tree for the Main Street Christmas Parade on December 4 to welcome Santa and the holiday season.



## Service Leadership Leaders of Tomorrow

Members of the Hickman High School Key Club and the University of Missouri Circle K club joined eight members of their sponsoring Kiwanis Club in Columbia (MO) working at a local food bank in November. Now that's Kiwanis cooperation.



Members of the Oak Park High School Key Club in North Kansas City (above) spent three afternoons distributing food and necessities from the Christmas Store to senior housing complexes in the Northland area. Members of the Winnetonka Key Club (above right), also in North Kansas City, count the money they raised through Trick or Treat for UNICEF. Both clubs participated in this project and raised over \$600 for the Eliminate Project. The clubs both also wrote holiday letters to wounded veterans in V.A. hospitals.



## Governor Elect's Message

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year. I know each of us received the rest and rejuvenation that we need to make sure every child in our communities is happy, healthy, safe, and loved.

We have so much work to do and not enough hands to do it. We need to build more clubs and increase membership in every existing club to make the impact that I am sure we all would like to see. Make a choice to invite two people to your meetings each month and remember they will have to be asked more than once before they agree. Offer to pick them up and pay for their meal. Plan a membership drive for this spring. If you know of a community that needs a club, please let Dan Yates know. Dan is ready and willing to help us grow this year, we must stop the loss and this is the year to do it. I am waiting for each division to let me know who the Lt. Governor Elect and Lt. Governor Select will be. This was a challenge from the district to have the line of succession in place by January 1st for each division. Most clubs are very good with line of succession but we are slacking in our divisions. Lt. Governor training will be the first week of May so let's get them elected this month.

I urge everyone to plan to attend the Mid-Winter Conference in Columbia, MO the end of February. We have a new conference/convention committee in place and they have worked so hard to make this a great, relevant, and successful conference.

See you at Mid-Winter.



In the name of Kiwanis,

Cheryl Anderson  
Governor-Elect 2016-2017

## Kiwanis Calendar

<b>Feb.</b>	<b>23-25</b>	<b>Midwinter Conference</b>
	<b>2017</b>	Holiday Inn Executive Center Columbia, Missouri
<b>August</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>Mo-Ark District Convention</b>
	<b>2017</b>	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](mailto:Kiwanigram@gmail.com). Please include the name and location of your club. Information about Service Leadership clubs and events may also be submitted. Photos from club projects are always welcome. Preference will be given to photos of Kiwanians participating in and interacting with children at service projects. Please include a brief description of each photo and the names of the Kiwanians 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.

## IN MEMORIAM

### Division 9

Don Johnson  
(70 year Member)  
Maplewood

Herman Kriegshauser  
Chesterfield

### Division 13

Jacob (J.D.) Nave  
Springfield Downtown

### Division 14

Thomas G. Ray  
Sikeston

### Division 16

Jan Sinclair  
Blytheville

### Division 20

Carroll Housdan  
Russellville

Donnie R. Green  
Fort Smith Commissary

### Division 23

Joyce H. Gibson  
Prescott

### Division 25

Ernest Clark Benton  
Central Little Rock