

# Kiwanigram

Missouri-Arkansas District

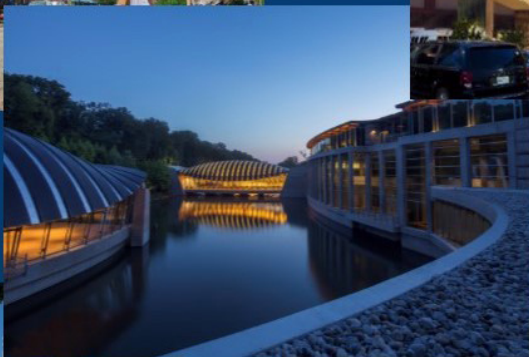
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## MoArk CKI Convention

Hi Folks,

I wanted to take a moment to tell you a little bit about the upcoming MO-ARK CKI convention, 8-9 March, 2019. We will be meeting in Springfield, MO as it is a half way point between most of the clubs. We will start with a low-key dinner Friday at the hotel. Breakfast at the hotel Saturday and Sunday. Both lunch and dinner will be provided. (Dinner is going to be a fun time) We are asking each club bring 4-5 children's books for ages 3-12. These will be used for the service project.

Cost for students will be \$100 total. All meals are being paid by the MO-ARK Outreach Program. Rooms are double occupancy. If you want a private room the cost is \$200 (Sorry, but that is our cost for the hotel.) Advisers, you to are welcome and if you come there will be activities for us, too. The cost for advisors is \$150- \$250 (Again, the cost difference is the cost of the hotel room.) and \$50 for food. The money needs to be received no later than Feb 25th, and should be mailed to Ralph Baldi c/o the Kiwanis Club of Springfield South at PO Box 14502, Springfield MO 65815-0502 (If you do not show we still will need the funds.) You can also do this for your club members but you and your club will be responsible for the money.

Please feel free to contact me at [kf6aht@hotmail.com](mailto:kf6aht@hotmail.com) if you have questions

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## Governor's Message

Happy New Year MoArk!!

It is hard to believe that we are already three months into our Kiwanis year. We have been celebrating many anniversaries with many more to come. We have also been celebrating many of our new clubs' charters.

Our Mid-Winter conference is just around the corner, we will be meeting in Bentonville on February 22 – 24. More information and an agenda can be found on the MoArk web site ([www.moarkkiwanis.net](http://www.moarkkiwanis.net)). There are links to register for the conference as well as a link to the hotel. Please register early. We will be conducting a "Kiwanis University", as well as some great breakout sessions in Bentonville. If you have new members, or maybe some not so new members that could use a refresher course about the Missouri-Arkansas district, this is for you.

We have been working with some clubs that have asked for assistance in recruiting members to help them maintain and expand the service they are providing to their communities. If your club has a need to recruit members, please let us know. Ron Hill, our Governor Elect, is heading up that effort and we want to provide assistance to any club that asks. While our effort to assist existing clubs is critical, new club building is how we provide our Kiwanis services to unserved communities. We have identified a couple locations to build new clubs, this effort will help us spread our community service to underserved areas of our district. Most of these clubs are in new locations, or locations that have lost their Kiwanis presence

I know membership efforts is an ongoing discussion, but it is critical. We carry out these efforts, not to increase income, but to provide our service. Our most important efforts are directed to the youth of our district. Our SLP (Service Leadership Programs), as described by past International President Jim Rochford, are what we do best. There are other organizations that have youth groups, but none compare to the Kiwanis SLPs. He states, and I agree, if we did nothing but serve our SLPs, we would be successful. Please help us identify locations for new clubs and, when asked, join us in the new club building efforts. You will be glad you did.

Our Key Club District is planning their District Leadership Conference for March 14-16, in Springfield. Please be ready to assist them. Their conference is a fun, action packed and educational experience where they will conduct the district's business by electing new leadership for the coming year. Awards will be presented to contest winners and outstanding clubs will be recognized.

Join us at Mid-Winter, in Bentonville!

Governor Gary

## Mid-Winter Conference 2019

### Schedule at a Glance

#### Thursday: 21 February:

7:00 PM Early arrivals Meet-n-Greet

#### Friday: 22 February:

8:00am – 5:00pm Registration Open  
8:30am – 5:00pm Silent Auction & Information Booths  
9:00am - 12:00pm Earl Collins Board Meeting  
12:00pm - 1:00pm Past Governor's Lunch  
1:15pm – 4:00pm District Board & Council Meetings  
1:30pm – 4:00pm Educational Sessions  
Everyone Needs a Buddy Bench  
Membership 101  
Navigating the Web for Forms  
and Reports  
Fundraising Ideas from Around  
the Country  
5:00pm - 6:00pm eCentennial Charter Ceremony  
6:00pm - 9:00pm Welcome Dinner

#### Saturday: 23 February:

7:30am – 5:00pm Registration Open  
8:30am – 5:00pm Silent Auction & Information Booths  
8:00am - 9:15am Past Lt. Governors Breakfast  
9:15am - 11:45am Educational Sessions  
Kiwanis University Reload Part I  
Kiwanis University Reload Part II  
12:00pm - 2:00pm Kiwanis Family Lunch  
2:10am – 2:30pm Key Leader & CLE Instructors Meetings  
2:30pm - 5:00pm Educational Sessions  
Kiwanis University Reload Part I  
Kiwanis University Reload Part II  
6:00pm Governors' Banquet

#### Sunday: 24 February:

8:00am - 10:00am Closing Session and Breakfast

## Kiwanis Honors

We're proud of ...

The Huntsville Kiwanis Club presented a Walter Zeller Fellowship award to Tom Wiles in recognition of his 20 plus years of service to Kiwanis at club, division and district level. Tom is a Past Lt. Governor and currently serves as president of the Past Lt. Governors Council at the District Level. Jerry Martin (left), former MoArk Eliminate Coordinator, presented the award.



At their 2018 Officer Installation Banquet, the Union Kiwanis Club presented the Legion of Honor award to (l-r): Dave Sutton, Mike Elliott, Velma Wachter, & Phil Klemme. Dave, Mike and Phil have each served as Union Kiwanis presidents. Dave

Sutton served as a Division 10 Lt. Governor and Velma Wachter is a Past Mo-Ark Governor.

## Kiwanis in Action

News from the Clubs

Eleven Branson Tri-Lakes Kiwanis members, plus many of their children, served at the annual Pancakes with Santa on Saturday, December 1, 2018. More than \$1,000 was raised to purchase Christmas gifts for seven children from three different families.





# Kiwanis in Action

## News from the Clubs



The Boonslick Kiwanis Club is excited to help TRYPS (Theatre Reaching Young People and Schools) introduce kids to the magic of Children's Theater. The club sells tickets to a private showing of the final dress rehearsal of the play and provides

tickets to organizations they support, such as Aktion Club and Ronald McDonald House. Funds from ticket sales provide a scholarship for a kid to participate in TRYPS and pay for production rights. Boonslick Kiwanis recently partnered with TRYPS for a supercalifragilistic performance of Mary Poppins! Pictures of the performance (complete with the big check and Captain Kiwanis) can be viewed at [www.trypskids.com/](http://www.trypskids.com/)



Kiwanians in Springfield, MO came together to spread Christmas Spirit and the good word about Kiwanis to their community by participating in the annual Springfield Christmas Parade. Members of the Kiwanis Clubs of Downtown Springfield, Springfield North, Ozark Empire, and Springfield South designed and built a float and carried

signs telling about the different clubs' many service projects as they walked in the parade. This is an annual tradition, and all the clubs in Springfield look forward to it.

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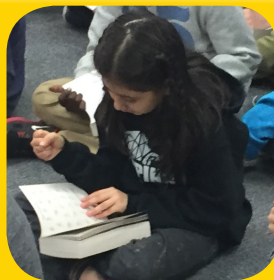
The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis with help from the Mehlville High School Key Club recently rang the bell for the Salvation Army Tree of Lights Campaign. Pictured are Kiwanians Ed Kurmann and Chad Dickemper with Mehlville HS Key Club member Nicholas Karr.



Gravois Kiwanis Club is extremely happy to sponsor the Terrific Kids program for the 10 First Grade Classes at Mesnier Elementary School. The Terrific Kids for the month of October 2018 are pictured here.

Pictured (l-r) Front row: Colin Dunn, Audrey Lupo, Miles Starrett. Row two: Haley Collins, Daniel Glamocak, Delaney Zumsteg, Genaro Flores. Not pictured: Charlie Hicks, Zavion Rogan, Elyse Eberhardt. Sides: Kiwanians Carla O'Brien (left), Ginger Crooks, & Lori Leupold (Right).

The Gladstone Kiwanis Club continued a tradition of presenting dictionaries to third grade classes in seven North Kansas City schools. Kiwanians, along with Key Club members from Winnetonka and Oak Park High Schools, made the presentations and helped students learn how to use the books. Gladstone Kiwanians say this continues to be one of their most enjoyable and rewarding projects.





# Kiwanis in Action

## News from the Clubs



Kiwanians Bill Davidson (above left), Todd Chambers (left), and John O'Donnell (below left) share the joy of Christmas with some special kids from the Boys & Girls Club.



The Boys & Girls Club Christmas Party is an annual tradition for Springfield South Kiwanians.

Right: Kiwanian Chris Gray races go-carts with some happy kids from the Boys & Girls Club at Incredible Pizza Company.



Ashley is pictured with South County Kiwanis President Roy Wunsch (left), her mom Magda Sierra and baby sister Natalie Sierra, and her dad Martin Matamoros.

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Ashley Matamoros of Hancock Place Middle School, as its Outstanding Student for November 2018. Ashley was honored for her outstanding academic performance, community activities, and the service and leadership she performs at her school and in the community.



# Kiwanis in Action

## News from the Clubs

The Kiwanis Club of South County Kiwanis - St. Louis recently recognized Terrific Kids from Blades Elementary School (above right), the MOSAIC (Mehlville Oakville Students Achieve, Inspire, Create) Elementary School (below right), and Forder Elementary School (below). The students are selected by their teachers as having shown terrific improvement in academic performance, attendance, behavior, or some other aspect of their school experiences.



Pictured in the front row are Kiley Eschbacher, Elmindina Elizazovic, Aseya Kadmova, and Gabriella Colombo. In the back row are Kiwanian Pauline Roth and Blades Principal Jeremy Booker.



Pictured in the front row are Josalyne Brown, Lily Fairchild, and Minela Kafedzic. In the back row are Kiwanians Pauline Roth and Roy Wunsch along with Forder Elementary Principal Dr. Whitney Maus.



Pictured are Gabriel Biggs, Nathan Wozniak, and Clayton Waggoner. In the back row are Kiwanians Pauline Roth and Connie Kuchar along with MOSAIC School Principal Dr. Scott Clark. Not pictured is Charlotte Dickemper



In 2018 the Gladstone Kiwanis Club chose as its Kiwanis One Day project to clean up the Atkins-Johnson Farm in Gladstone's Big Shoals Heritage Area, along with the adjacent Big Shoal Cemetery and Pleasant Valley Road. They were joined by members of the Oak Park Key Club.



Pictured with Ian and Mia are their parents Alice Furgeson, and Dean & Pam Adams.

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Ian Furgeson of Green Park Lutheran School and Mia Adams of Bernard Middle School as "Outstanding Students." They were honored for their outstanding academic performance, community activities, and the service and leadership they perform in their schools and community.

## Service Leadership Leaders of Tomorrow

The Carrollton Key Club in purchased approximately \$1,600 of winter clothing for students in grades K-12. Seven Key Clubbers and their advisors, Todd Schachsiek and Jeri Burger, were involved in the drive. In addition, the club purchased Christmas items, totaling \$220, for three children in the Adopt-a-Family program that is supported by local churches.

Springdale Kiwanis AKTION club member Tamara Truillio presents Dolores Stamps the baby hats she croched for Arkansas Children's Hospital. This is a yearly gift on her birthday to Children's Hospital.



The new Builders Club at Immaculate Conception (IC) School in Union (MO) was formed in October 2018 with 30 charter members. They are sponsored by the Union Kiwanis Club. Everyone who sees the Builders Club in action is impressed by their leadership, energy and excitement.



Above: IC Builders Club members walked several blocks after school in snowy weather to Artzy Wallz (an arts and craft shop in Union) where they decorated stockings along with Key Club members and Union Kiwanis members.

## Kiwanis Calendar

Feb.	21-24 2019	Midwinter Conference Hilton DoubleTree Suites Bentonville, Arkansas
June	27-30 2019	Kiwanis International Conv. Walt Disney World Resort Orlando, Florida

## 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 service 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 the project 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

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Kirksville

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Fairfax

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