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**Union Kiwanis Club  
Sponsors Field Day for  
Rainbow Abilities Center**

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## Key Leader Camps Coming Soon

The MoArk District will be holding annual Key Leader camps in just a few months, so now is the time to start thinking about candidates your club can sponsor for this great Kiwanis program.

Key Leader is a weekend experiential leadership program for today's young leaders. This life-changing event focuses on service leadership as the first, most meaningful leadership-development experience. A Key Leader will learn the most important lesson of leadership—it comes from helping *others* succeed. Participants begin by attending a Key Leader conference, which is a weekend retreat. Large and small group workshops, discussions and team-building activities take place over the course of the weekend. Students have opportunities to learn leadership skills that will help them to change their schools, communities, and world for the better. While exploring leadership in a whole new way, participants will make amazing new friends and have experiences they will never forget. Positive, ongoing interaction with other Key Leader graduates offers continuing reinforcement, encouragement and growth of leadership skills.

The Missouri Key Leader camp will be held Oct. 12-14 at Camp Mihaska in Bourbon. The Arkansas Key Leader camp will be held Nov. 2-4 at Camp Tanako in Hot Springs.

For more information about the program visit the Key Leader website at [www.key-leader.org](http://www.key-leader.org) or contact MoArk Key Leader Coordinator John Goss at [johnginlr@aol.com](mailto:johnginlr@aol.com).

## Governor's Message

I hope everyone had a safe and happy 4th of July. I am still floating on cloud nine as I am so honored to be Governor of the great district of Missouri-Arkansas. If you attended the International Convention you know what I mean. If you missed it then you missed a great one. About 4,000 Kiwanians in attendance for 124 breakout sessions and the delegate session where we elected Art Riley, a previous International Trustee for MO-ARK, as our Vice President.

I know you all want the membership update but do you want the good or the bad first? Let's go with the good. We have added 6 new clubs this year and we are up a net increase of 366 members!! As I have been told, each Kiwanian touches the lives of 204 children so we now have the potential of reaching at least 74,644 additional children in Missouri-Arkansas! Yes, great reasons to celebrate. My goal is still to open 10 new clubs this year for our centennial so the bad news is with less than three months to go we still need 4 more clubs to be opened. These 4 clubs would add about 100 additional members to our great district giving us a strong potential of closing this year with 5,000 plus members.

I am so pleased that MO-ARK is in the top 10 districts for new club building and was honored with three circles on the hall of fame going between the Bally and Paris Hotels. We have certainly put our district in the forefront in many ways this year. It has not been me, it has been all the folks of MO-ARK working together to make our states a better place to live for all the children. I have many folks to thank and I will do that publicly at the District Convention.

I still feel strongly that the children need us now more than ever before with teen suicides, the opioid crisis, cyber bullying, school shootings, etc. We had the privilege to attend school each and every day and feel safe, the children of today deserve that same privilege. Kiwanis can make a big impact in our communities one child at a time because we know that  
#kidsneedkiwanis

Truly Yours,

Cheryl

The Kiwanis Club of Springfield (Missouri) North recently celebrated its 40th Anniversary. Charter Members Art Barner-Past President, and Roy Edge-Secretary-Treasurer, were honored for their 40 years of membership and service. Member Billy Claiborn, was honored for 18 years as Treasurer of the Earl Collins Foundation of the Missouri-Arkansas District of Kiwanis International.

Pictured L-R: Les Mace (Springfield South club), Art Barner, Roy Edge, and Billy Claiborn.



## Kiwanis Honors

We're proud of ...

## Kiwanis in Action

### News from the Clubs



The Crestwood-Sunset Hills Kiwanis Club recognized Officer Alan Sutton with the Crestwood Police Department as their First Responder of the Month for June 2018. Pictured is President Mary Meyer, Chief Ron Compton with Crestwood Police and Officer Alan Sutton.



Keyson Duke and Everett Hicks were awarded \$1,000 scholarships from Maplewood Kiwanis. The boys are seniors at the Maplewood Richmond Heights School District. The presentations were made at the MRH Senior High School Scholarship Night. Keyson will be attending Webster University and will major in Audio Production. Everett will be attending the University of Missouri- St. Louis, and will major in English and History.



# Kiwanis in Action

## News from the Clubs

The Kiwanis Club of Union (MO) sponsored the 8th annual Field Day at Union High School for Autumn Hill School and Rainbow Ability Center. Athletes walked, ran,



A volunteer and an Autumn Hill student stay in stride as they run a race together.

wheeled, or threw their way to victory. Opening ceremonies

included a parade of athletes, raising the flag, Union High School's choir singing the national anthem, and a presentation of participation medals to all athletes. All participants received medals and first, second, and third place ribbons were awarded for each event. Volunteers and supporters include Union Kiwanis Club members, Union High School, Union High

School Key Club members, HOSA (Health Occupations students), Union High School choir, Union Ambulance and Union Fire Department in addition to Autumn Hill and Rainbow Ability Center staff and volunteers.



Kiwanians kneeling in front row from left to right: Linda Schneider; John Phillips with support dog Cosmos; Eileen Wade and Angela Sullivan. Standing from left to right: Lynne Elliott, Nancy Johnston, Dave Ingold, Lucy Scott, Kathy Skrivan, Dave Sutton, Gina Peters, Ken Rohrbach, Jennifer Alferman-Molitor. Not pictured is Kiwanian photographer, Rich Sandoval.



Kiwanian Ken Rohrbach is ready to help as Rainbow Abilities Center client Alan Lenau prepares to throw a softball, trying for the longest distance.



Union High School Key Club girls in front from left to right: Taylor Reeser, Emma Schnoover and Paige Schnoover. In back from left to right: Grace Coppinger, Sarena Monroe and Courtnay Davis, Gina Peters (Kiwanis advisor).

## Kiwanis in Action

### News from the Clubs

The Kiwanis Club of Gladstone presented a \$1,000 scholarship to Hannah Hernandez from Winnetonka High School. Hannah has served as President and Treasurer of the Winnetonka Key Club.

Right: Gladstone Kiwanis President Dick Hinderliter presents the Kiwanis scholarship to Hannah Hernandez.



This year the Branson Tri-Lakes Kiwanis Club chose the Options Pregnancy Clinic to receive the proceeds from their annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser. A total of \$1,200 was raised to support the pregnancy clinic, which has been helping women in the Branson community since 1993.

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Officer Dan Schroeder of the Affton Southwest Precinct of the St. Louis County Police Department as its "Officer of the Quarter." Officer Schroeder was honored for his untiring dedication and service to the South County community. South County Kiwanis President Pauline Roth presented Officer Schroeder with a Certificate of Recognition and a gift card to a local restaurant. He was accompanied to the meeting by SGT Ray Absolon.



When weather caused the schools in Gladstone (MO) to extend their school year past Memorial Day, the Kiwanis club of Gladstone stepped up to help HOPEwrx make one more delivery of food packs for needy families identified by the schools. Club members Jeremy Hart, Bill Draper, Melva Deane Lipsey, and Dick Hinderliter loaded their cars and made the deliveries to help some deserving kids in their community.



Left: Dick Hinderliter and Bill Draper pick up food from the HOPEwrx food pantry to deliver to needy families.

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### News from the Clubs

The four 2018 Union High School graduates pictured are the excited recipients of Union Kiwanis Club scholarships.

Front row from left:

Clarissa Krimmel, general scholarship;

Katie Feth, agricultural achievement scholarship;

Victoria Suerig, service scholarship; and

Kaitlyn Kreutz, general scholarship. Union Kiwanis members back row from left: Keith Crews, scholarship committee member; Ken Rohrbach, scholarship committee chair; and Dave Sutton, Kiwanis Missouri-Arkansas District Region Five Trustee.



# Meet the Candidates for Governor-Elect

## Ralph Baldi



### 1: Personal

I was a nurse at UCSD Medical Center, Burn Unit for over 35 years. While there I worked as an ICU nurse, staff member working with Burn Survivors, both Adults and Children. I spent 3 years as a board member of the UCSD Burned Children Survivor's Fund. I also taught advanced burn care and injury prevention. With the

San Diego Regional Burn Institute, I participated in 28 camps for burn injured children with the goal of helping them become survivors.

### 2: Military

I served 4 years as a Navy Hospital Corpsman with 2 of them assigned with the USMC. The next 18 years was with the Army/California National Guard. My duty assignments were everything from Medical Platoon SGT. and an Armor Battalion, to assorted assignment at the Divisional level including the 40th ID Heavy Mech. (While on duty I was the Assistant Chief Ward master of a 400-bed field hospital), Division Medical Intel Specialists, Division Medical Supply, Division Medical Operation, and plans SGM.

### 3: Kiwanis

I have been the club President of Springfield (MO) South, and the Secretary of Marshfield, MO. I was the Lt. Gov. of Division 13 for 2 years, and Division 26 for one. I was the Region 3 Trustee for 3 years. I assisted in the opening (minor help from me) of the Marshfield (MO) club and stayed on for 4 years as the club counselor. (I had so much fun, I joined them.) I have started 2 Aktion Clubs, one each BUG and Terrific Kids programs, and I am the advisor to all. I helped start the CKI club at Missouri State University in Springfield, and am now the Mo-Ark District CKI Administrator.

I hope you find me ready to serve you as MOARK Governor.



# Meet the Candidates for Governor-Elect

## Ron Hill



My name is Ron Hill; I've been a member of Kiwanis since 1995. During that period of time I have served as President of the Conway Arkansas Kiwanis, Kiwanian of the year, Lt. Governor and Sargent at Arms for three, International Kiwanis conventions. I currently serve as Region 9 Trustee. During my presidency the Conway club grew in numbers from 123 to 182, as well

as establishing a High School Key Club which has continues to grow in numbers and service projects. As chairman of the City of Colleges sign project I negotiated with all the civic organizations in Conway to participate, as well as securing donations to build the two signs that welcome people to our great community. For the last fifty years I have worked with the youth of Conway, serving as a Peewee football coach, Baseball commissioner and helped start girls Softball at Conway High School, as well as, volunteering every year to help with Conway track meets. I am married to a retired Special Education teacher, Karen and have two daughters, Nikki and Jennifer and two step sons Michael and Jonathan, together we have six grandchildren, Bailey, Logan, Landon, Blane , Sam and Joseph. I am an active member of Grace United Methodist Church. I believe that I would be an asset to the Mo-Ark Kiwanis district as governor and would like to respectfully ask for your vote at the August convention.

## Kiwanis Calendar

Aug.	2-5 2018	<b>MoArk District Convention</b> Ramada Oasis Conv. Ctr. Springfield, Missouri
Oct.	12-14 2018	<b>Key Leader Camp</b> Camp Mihaska Bourbon, Missouri
Nov.	2-4 2018	<b>Key Leader Camp</b> Camp Tanako Hot Springs, Arkansas

## 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

### Division 3

Jacqueline Woods  
Smithville

### Division 5

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