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St. James Kiwanis Club Sponsors Youth Basketball Program

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Distinguished Clubs

Congratulations to the following clubs who were recognized as Distinguisued at the Mid-Winter Conference.

Arnold, Missouri	Batesville
Bella Vista	Bentonville Serving Kids
Berryville	Blue Springs
Boonville	Bridgeton
Buffalo Area	Camdenton
Cameron Crossroads	Cape Girardeau
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Hampton-Midtown, Saint Louis	Hannibal
Helena-West Helena	Hope
Huntsville	Jackson
Jonesboro	Kansas City
Lebanon	Lee's Summit
Lincoln	Lowell
Malvern Area	Marshfield
Maryville	Meramec Valley Community
Mid-Town, Kansas City	Mo-Ark eCentennial
Moberly	Montgomery City
Mountain Home	Normandy 24-1
O'Fallon	Osceola
Ozark	Ozark Coast, Osage Beach
Palmyra	Paragould
Paris	Perryville
Prescott	Raytown Three Trails
Ritenour St Louis County	Rogers, Breakfast
Russellville	Saint Charles
Sedalia	Siloam Springs
South County, St Louis	Springfield (Downtown)
Springfield North	Springfield South
St. James	Stuttgart
Union	University City
Van Buren	Washington
Wright City	

Governor's Message

It is hard to believe that we are already half way through our Kiwanis year. Many of you helped us celebrate at this year's Mid-Winter conference. We had a wonderful time catching up with our fellow Kiwanians and discussing new ideas. The "Kiwanis University" was very well received and, from what I have heard, International is looking into promoting the program. Our Kiwanis Kamp theme was a hit, with the camp receiving donations that will help toward the goal of providing permanent restroom facilities. As always, membership is a major topic at every Kiwanis gathering, and we celebrated the chartering of Mo-Ark's new e-Centennial club.

We are growing our membership in Mo-Ark. The latest numbers I've seen have the district up by 123 members, and that does not include the two new clubs we have already chartered. During a blitz near St Louis, we chartered the Kiwanis Club of Greater Spanish Lake and the Kiwanis Club of Warrenton. With the projected membership from these two new clubs, our membership should be up by 160 plus. We had a lot of great help building these clubs. Many Mo-Ark Kiwanians gave of their own time to work on these clubs. In addition, we had several club builders from International helping us build these clubs. The help we received from Kiwanis International was provided to our district because of the growth we demonstrated last year. I would like to thank Cheryl for the hard work her team provided last year, that is giving the boost we received from the "Eye of the Tiger". We have several new club building sites under development and will be looking for help to build these new clubs. If asked to help, please say yes, it is a great experience.

Governor Gary

Congratulations to the Kiwanis Club of Saline County, who recently celebrated their 65th anniversary. MoArk Governor Gary Baker was also present for the celebration.

L-R: Nette Curtis (Treasurer), Brett Berry (President Elect), Adam Eoff (President), Gary Baker (MO-ARK Governor), Susan Lafond (Lt. Governor Mo-ARK Division 15), Chris Diaz (Vice President)



Kiwanis Honors

We're proud of ...

Kiwanis in Action

News from the Clubs

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently recognized Paramedic Tom Lagermann of the Mehlville Fire Protection District as its Firefighter/Paramedic of the Quarter. Paramedic Lagermann was recognized for his untiring dedication and service to the Mehlville Fire Department and the South County community.



Paramedic Lagermann (r) is pictured with Assistant Chief Dan LaFata.



In February, Members of the Kiwanis Club of Siloam Springs had the great opportunity to hand out "Make Valentine's Sweeter" baggies to children at the Boys & Girls Club of Western Benton County.



For five Saturdays in November and December members of the St. James Kiwanis and approximately six to eight volunteer referees work with boys grade three through six and their coaches to teach the fundamental of basketball. 2018 was the 49th year of the program. There were seven teams for the third and fourth graders and five teams for the fifth and sixth graders with a total of approximately ninety boys participating. The season concludes with a fifth and sixth grade championship game. The game is played during the school day and all third through sixth grade students attend.

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently recognized several students from Rogers Elementary School in the Mehlville School District as Terrific Kids. The students are selected by their teachers as having shown terrific improvements in academic performance, attendance, behavior, or some other aspect of their school experiences.

Pictured (l-r) Samuel Conboy, Scout Blagg, Mirnes Prgo and Jurnee Jones. In the second row are Rogers Elementary School Principal Dr. Patrick Keenoy, and South County Kiwanian Pauline Roth.

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Gravois Kiwanis had a multitude of TERRIFIC KIDS in March. Mesnier Elementary's 10 first grade classes honored both the February and March winners on March 14th because the ice storm closed school in February!



1st row L to R: Lucas Herrell, Sophia Cole, Connor Winkler, Edna Brown, Leah Kunzie, Lilly Kirsh, Teagan Schroeder, Cameryn Klepzig, Ruby Daniel, Maya Antoine, Samuel Martin
2nd row - L to R: Rylie Bain, Charlie Rider, Finn Kirksey, Charles Farris, Joanna Sun, Lily Shelton, Clark Ohlendorf, Korbin Schaefer, Sayra Sarac
Kiwanis Program Sponsors, L to R: Carla O'Brien, Robert Praprotnik, Ellen Sandweiss

Kiwanis in Action

News from the Clubs

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Allison Karcher of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Catholic School (right) and Collin Maloney of St. Mark Catholic School (below) as Outstanding Students. These young people were honored for their outstanding



academic performance, community activities, and the service and leadership she performs at her school and in the community.



Pictured with Allison (above) are her parents Chris & Greg Karcher, and her principal Marianne Freiling. Collin (pictured left) is shown with his parents Katie and Keith Maloney.



L-R: South County club President Roy Wunsch, CPT Melissa Webb, Officer Kimberly Haus, Officer Mike Costa.

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Officer Kimberly Haus of the Affton Southwest Precinct of the St. Louis County Police Department as its "Officer of the Quarter." Officer Haus was honored for her untiring dedication and service to the South County community.

Kiwanis in Action News from the Clubs

In February, Gravois Kiwanis began an English as a Second Language reading program in conjunction with All Nations Refugee and Immigrant Services. Kiwanians practice reading and do crafts with the Kindergarten through 5th grade children, while their parents work on their high school or Community College diploma online. Gravois Kiwanis is establishing a TERRIFIC KIDS program with these young people, and the first recipient was Lara Ajneid



Scholarships from Kiwanis Clubs do make a difference! On May 19, 2014, Marquise White received the Maplewood Kiwanis Scholarship. He went on to graduate from the University of Missouri, and he and a friend have opened The Greens Co., a clothing store in Columbia, Missouri, which merges local art with urban design. It is the only business in downtown Columbia to be owned by African Americans and millennials.



11-5-18
Dear Kiwanis club,
Thank you for our students Dictionary! My favorite part is the Syn language. I am going to use it a lot. What is it like in the club? Is that your guys' cover? Do you guys travel the world to give Dictionaries to kids?
Sincerely,
Herrigan

The Jackson Kiwanis Club gives dictionaries to 3rd graders at Orchard Elementary School each year. One of them wrote this thank you note to the club.

The K-Kids club at Beaufort Elementary School, sponsored by the Kiwanis club of Union, MO, recently organized a clothing exchange at their school. Students and their families were invited to donate clothing and shoes, and needy families could “shop” for free. Over 50 families were served at the event, and the leftover clothing was donated to local charities.

Pictured are Millie Laboube, 6th grade Beaufort Elementary K-Kid and her mother, Kim Laboube, Beaufort Elementary K-Kids school co-sponsor.



Service Leadership Leaders of Tomorrow



In February, members of the Oak Park High School and Winnetonka High School Key Clubs, both sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Gladstone, MO, made Valentine's Day cards to send to veterans and senior shut-ins.



Kiwanis Club representatives, and school supporters gathered for a picture outside the school. This school year the Union High School Key Club (above) is celebrating 30 years since the club was chartered in the 1988-89 school year.



The Immaculate Conception School Builders Club (left) was recently chartered with 30 members. Members of the club, Union

Kiwanis Calendar

June	27-30 2019	Kiwanis International Conv. Walt Disney World Resort Orlando, Florida
Aug.	8-11 2019	MoArk District Convention Oasis Hotel & Convention 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. 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 6

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Division 15

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