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## Clark-Vitt K-Kids (Union, Mo.) Book Exchange

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## Earl Collins Foundation Baseball Raffle

The fundraising committee of the Earl Collins Foundation has organized a raffle for the chance to win: Two tickets to the baseball game between The St. Louis Cardinals and The Milwaukee Brewers on Saturday, September 14, 2019, Hotel accommodations for one night at a Drury Hotel located within easy walking distance to Busch Stadium, and a \$250.00 Cash Card. As a special promotion at this game, fans age 16 and over will receive a Stan Musial and Red Schoendienst Double Bobblehead.

Proceeds will go to the Earl Collins Foundation Scholarship Fund. This can be a fun way to raise a significant amount of money for the Earl Collins Foundation, but we need your help to make this a success! The Earl Collins Foundation is committed to pay out over \$26,000 in scholarships this year. Your efforts will make the difference between mediocrity and excellence.

You can get 1 entry for \$5.00 or 3 entries for \$10.00. The drawing will be held at the MoArk District Convention Governor's Banquet on Saturday, August 10. Entry forms are available from Don Leupold at [nodirol@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nodirol@sbcglobal.net) or Mary Vaughan at [kiwanismoark@outlook.com](mailto:kiwanismoark@outlook.com).

Completed entry forms should be mailed to: Don Leupold  
870 Diamond Head Dr.  
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Entries and monies must be received by July 31, 2019. Payment can be cash or check. Checks should be made payable to "Earl Collins Foundation."

## Governor's Message

What an exciting time of year. We are getting ready to attend the Kiwanis International convention in Orlando, and we hope to see lots of MoArk Kiwanians there. We are also working on our MoArk Conference in August, and it should be a great one. Please make plans to attend. We will have activities for everyone. Our eCentennial club is planning a service project and we will be making blankets for Project Linus.

We have held our Lieutenant Governor's training for those taking office in October of this year. If you will be serving as a Lieutenant Governor next year and were unable to attend the training in May, please plan on attending the make-up training at the convention. This year's training was very inspirational and I came away with some new ideas that I will be sharing during my visits as well as at our convention. Governor Elect Ron is challenging his team to meet his growth goals, and with his enthusiasm I have no doubt that they will accomplish it.

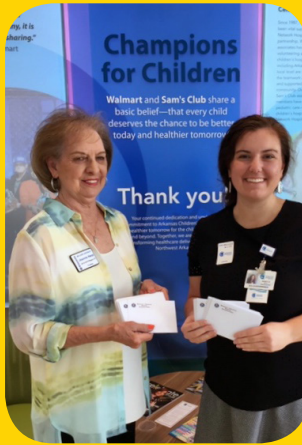
We have opened 2 new clubs so far this year, and 4 more clubs are in the works. We need to complete these new clubs so we can help them provide their communities with the service they deserve.

This month is a busy one, with 2 new club charter celebrations, a regional visit and the international convention. This is also a good time to plan a membership drive to bring more willing hands, into our clubs, to provide more Kiwanis service to the children in your community.

With all the activities that the summer season entails, we need to make sure we are prepared to provide the support to our SLPs that they need to get off to a great start once school reopens. So please make sure your SLP Kiwanis advisors are prepared, be ready to meet with your faculty advisors as well as the administration of the school so they are confident that you are there to support their kids. Remember, if you have any questions we have administrators for each of our SLP programs that are available to answer any questions you may have. To find their contact information, go to the district's web site, [moarkkiwanis.net](http://moarkkiwanis.net) under the Menu, District Directory then select District Chairpersons 2018-19.

Governor Gary

At the Mid-Winter Conference attendees wrote thank you cards to nurses at Arkansas Children's Hospital in Springdale. Jeanne Harp from the Springdale Kiwanis club presented approximately 100 cards to the volunteer coordinator Rebecca Neely on May 7 to begin Annual Nurses Week.



**Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.**

## Kiwanis in Action News from the Clubs

Alexandra Birlingmair (left) and Hannah Frazier were honored by the Gladstone Kiwanis club as their 2019 Kiwanis Scholars. Alexandra was a member of the Winnetonka Key Club and Hannah a member of the Oak Park Key Club, both sponsored by Gladstone Kiwanis. Alexandra was an all conference tennis player and plans to pursue a civil engineering degree at Iowa State University. Hannah participated in basketball, soccer and Science Olympiad. She plans to study veterinary medicine at the University of Missouri.



Students from Oakville High School recognized that fellow students are going home hungry, school lunch sometimes being the only filling meal they have each day. So they built a food locker at Trautwein Elementary School. Students can freely donate and take food as needed, feeding themselves and their families. The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis was proud to make a donation to help get them started, nearly filling the locker.



The South County - St. Louis Kiwanis Club presented their annual \$1,000 scholarships to Madison Hassler from Oakville High School and Harrison Hong from Mehlville High School. Both students were selected for their academic achievements as well as for the service that they render to their respective schools and the community. Madison plans to attend UMKC or UMC and go on to medical school or biomedical engineering. Harrison is a National Merit Finalist and plans to go to Arizona State or Mizzou to study computer science.



Boonslick Kiwanis Club teamed up with Builders' Club president Michael Pigg and guest Gwen Hogan to support the Mary Lee Johnston Learning Center at a recent Trivia Night fund raising event.

Pictured: Rebekah Robertson, Angela Pigg, Jim Hogan, William Tucker, Michael Pigg, Matthew Pigg, Ann McGinity, Gwen Hogan

Kiwanis Club of Meramec Valley Community honored Students of the Semester at area high schools with a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift card. In the photo are Leah Carson of Valley Park High School, Madeline Hefelee of Rockwood Summit High School, Asliyah Weston of Parkway West High School, and Asad Siddiqui of Parkway South High School. Looking on are President Pack Willimon and President Elect Dave Green.



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On Mothers Day the Kiwanis Club of Gladstone collected donations of baby care products for Operation Breakthrough, which provides quality childcare for working poor families in the Kansas City area. Kiwanians collected 51 boxes of diapers, 75 packages of baby wipes, assorted other baby care products and \$210 in cash donations to help needy kids in their community.



The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently recognized several students from Trautwein and Wohlwend Elementary Schools in the Mehlville School District as Terrific Kids. 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 above are Trautwein students Zoey Branch, Jackie Tighe, Landon Kraft, and Terrell Hackney. In the back row are Kiwanians Carla Rowell, Pauline Roth, and Wohlwend Assistant Principal Julie Durham.

Pictured below are Wohlwend students Zoey Branch, Jackie Tighe, Landon Kraft, and Terrell Hackney. In the back row are Kiwanians Carla Rowell, Pauline Roth, Wohlwend Assistant Principal Julie Durham and Principal Dave Meschke.



The Lee's Summit Kiwanis Club recognized outstanding art students from each of the Secondary schools. Each student had several pieces of their art on display and received an engraved Artist of the Year plaque and a gift card.

Pictured (l-r): Alyssa Maggard, Monique Megee, Skylar Pryor, Jady Green, Eryn Thorneberry, Lindsay Reinhardt.

On May 8th Gravois Kiwanis Club recognized four \$1,000 Scholarship winners. All these students had high GPAs, excelled in sports, volunteerism and were active Kiwanis Key Club members in their respective High Schools. The recipients were (pictured l-r): Natalee Irvin of Hancock Place High School who will attend the University of Central MO, Madisyn Vandegriffe of Lutheran South High School who will attend MO State University, Thomas Tran of Affton High School who will attend DePaul University, and Matthew Sykes of Affton High School who will attend MO Science & Technology



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In May the Kiwanis Club of Springfield South celebrated the hard work of thirty students at the Musgrave Unit of the Boys and Girls Club in their B.U.G. program with an ice cream sundae party. The Kiwanis club teams up with the Power Hour homework program at the Boys and Girls Club and recognizes the most dedicated students in the program, as selected by the unit staff, three times a year for their academic work and good behaviour.



The Fountain Lake School District presented the Cobra Pride Award to the Kiwanis Club of Greater Hot Springs Village for their Birthday Book and Book Exchange programs. Each month students who have birthdays that month receive a book, and those students that have birthdays over the summer months get their birthday books at the end of the year. The club also held a book exchange at the school. For each book a student brought in, he or she could pick a book to keep.



Above: Dave & Jane Fulton, long time Greater Hot Springs Village Kiwanis Club members accept the Cobra Pride award from the Fountain Lake School District on the behalf of the club.



The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored Peyton Lee of Washington Middle School and Britney Nguyen of Oakville Middle School, both in the Mehlville School District, as "Outstanding Students." Peyton and Britney were honored for their outstanding academic performance, community activities, and the service and leadership they perform at their respective schools and in the community. They each received a Certificate of Recognition and a gift card to a local store for their achievements. Pictured with Peyton and Britney are their parents Todd & Christy Lee and Amanda & Jake Nguyen.



## Kiwanis in Action News from the Clubs



Pictured Left to Right: Wayne Behymer, Jennifer Taylor, Stephanie Bryant, Pamela Kaburia, Emma Hayford, Jo Behymer.

The Boonslick Kiwanis Wayne Behymer MACC Scholarship program provides support for single mothers in the MACC Practical Nursing program. This year they were proud to present 4 scholarships to single moms who will graduate as practical nurses in July and plan to bridge into RN. As of May 2, 2019, a total of 24 scholarships have been given, totaling \$113,050.00. Club members Wayne & Jo Behymer, Nan Erikson, an honorary member of our club, and other club members donate funds for these scholarships annually.

The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently recognized Matthew Flowers from St Francis of Assissi Catholic School and Emily Vassolo from Margaret Buerkle Middle School as Outstanding Students. They were honored for their outstanding academics, community activities, and service and leadership at their respective schools and in the community. They each received a Certificate of Recognition and a gift card to a local store for their achievements. Pictured with Matthew and Emily are their parents Dave & Linda Flowers, and Brian and Linda Vassalo.





# Service Leadership

## Leaders of Tomorrow



Batesville Jr. High Builder's Club (Batesville, AR) held it's charter celebration Monday, April 22. Batesville Kiwanis Club is the sponsoring club. Gov. Gary Baker installed officers for the newly chartered Builder's Club and is also the Kiwanis sponsor. Pictured back row: David Winberry, president of Batesville Club, Lilli Peugeot faculty advisor (she's a former Key Clubber) and Gov. Gary Baker. In front is newly elected president of the Builder's club Henry Falwell.



Springdale High School Key Club members volunteered at Kiwanis Walk For Kids benefiting Arkansas Children's Hospital.



4 Liberty Kiwanis Club members and 2 Liberty High School Key Clubbers volunteered at a Highway 291 Clean-Up Service Project in April.



Springdale (AR) Kiwanis members, like Jerry Martin pictured above, helped members of the ERC Aktion club make small rugs with yarn pom-poms.



The Lee's Summit Kiwanis Club members had a joint outing with the new Aktion Club at Developing Potential. Everyone had a fun time playing Laser tag at Paradise Park in Lee's Summit.

## Service Leadership Leaders of Tomorrow



The Clark-Vitt Elementary K-Kids, sponsored by the Union (MO) Kiwanis Club, recently held a book exchange. Students, families and community members were invited to bring books to swap for new ones, or take home books that interested them to add to their collection free of charge.

Liberty Kiwanis Club members, along with Wendy Sohm - Liberty North High School's new Key Club Advisor, donated 9 bottles of pop-top tabs they collected to Ronald McDonald House Charities before their club meeting on Thursday, May 9th.

Pictured, left to right: Wendy Sohm, Debbie Jones, Sandy Swartz, Tony Zahn, Bridget Mendoza, Pam Young, Cindy Ashmore, Jim Major, Pat Zahn



## 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

## IN MEMORIAM

### Division 1

Debra Catlett  
Hannibal Early Birds

### Division 4

George Davis  
Midtown Kansas City

### Division 9

Pack Willimon  
Meramec Valley Community

### Division 13

Dennis Johnson  
Ozark Empire, Springfield

### Division 15

Clifford Kernen  
Hot Springs Village

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Donald Van Stone  
Hot Springs Village

## 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.