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Troy Playground Opened

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Kiwanis Roll Call: As of June 3, 2015, the number of Kiwanis Clubs in the Missouri-Arkansas District - 185; number of members: 5,328.



Mo-Ark is Represented at White House Community Briefing

The Kiwanis Club of Springdale, Arkansas, was one of 34 clubs at the White House April 29 as Kiwanis International participated in a Community Leader Briefing to discuss the issues impacting communities. The Community Leader Briefing was a unique opportunity for grassroots leaders to go to Washington and further the conversation between White House officials and those in the community.

The Kiwanis Club of Springdale was selected to participate because the club has been effective at improving its community through a signature service project. Kiwanis Club of Springdale's signature service project is Kids Day Football and the Cal Ripkin/Babe Ruth baseball program.

Club members attending were: Paula Wilson, president and Larry Clinkscales, chairman of the baseball program. They are pictured above with U. S. Senator John Boozman (R-Ark.).

"This was a great opportunity for the Kiwanis Club of Springdale to share the story of our work with Kids Day Football and Cal Ripkin/Babe Ruth baseball, and demonstrate how we have made a difference in our community, and help inspire other clubs and individuals to do the same," said Club President Paula Wilson.

The deadline for the September issue is Sept. 6.



Governor Dan Yates

Governor's Message

Love It, Share It, Live It

My year as your governor is flying by. And it is a good year to date. There have been three new clubs chartered to date and expect several more before the year is over. It is exciting to see the enthusiasm of the charter members as they anticipate helping children, their community, and the world.

We are making a difference in the world by our pledges and dollars to Eliminate. This is the fifth year for Eliminate and we must stay the course until the Kiwanis commitment of \$110 million to the project is reached. Jerry Martin and his team are working hard to keep the torch going—so keep raising funds and making good on the pledges.

This is the year of Engagement for the Formula. We need more members to be a Club Counselor or Club Opener for their Division. Let me know if you are ready to be a coach in order for current clubs and new clubs to plan and grow in number of members and service projects. If you want to know more about being a Club Counselor please contact me. Why not put your skills and enthusiasm to work?

The theme of the Formula is **LOVE IT, SHARE IT, LIVE IT**. It sounds so simple. Share your love for Kiwanis and your club by wearing clothing with logo and/or pins and sharing when people ask about Kiwanis! Show your enthusiasm for what Kiwanis and what your club does!

Your District needs more members—your club needs more members—additional communities need a Kiwanis Club—Kiwanis needs more members. Now is the right time to **LOVE IT, SHARE IT, LIVE IT**. And it is so easy AND FUN!!!

Hope to see you at the International Convention and the Mo-Ark District Convention.

Governor Dan



Getting to be a familiar place! The Ramada Plaza Hotel and Oasis Convention Center in Springfield, Mo., will again be site of the Mo-Ark Kiwanis Convention.

The 65th Annual Convention of the Mo-Ark District of Kiwanis is just around the corner. Mark your calendars for July 31 through August 2, at the Ramada Oasis and Convention Center in Springfield, Missouri.

Look at all the exciting events we have planned for you and your family!

- Guest Speakers - Kiwanis International President Dr. John Button, Kiwanis International Past President Paul Palazola, and Missouri State University President Clif Smart.
- Breakout Sessions on fundraising, public relations, putting fun in Kiwanis, and securing new members under age forty
- A GIANT interclub luncheon
- Interclub Pack-a-Meal service project (20,000 meals packaged in one hour) for Boys & Girls Clubs across Missouri and Arkansas
- Complimentary old-fashioned picnic for the entire family, featuring Wires on Wood Bluegrass Band, food, carnival games, and square dancing
- Special partners activity with breakfast at the Aviary Patisserie and shopping at Farmers Park

- Early morning Eliminate Walk
- Governor's Banquet
- Collection of art and office supplies, games, sports and electronic equipment, and movies for the Boys & Girls Clubs

- Silent auction benefitting the Earl Collins Foundation (you and your club need to bring items for the auction—and be prepared to bid and buy)
- Commemorative t-shirts
- Activities for the kids
- Plus the annual Kiwanis traditions!

Don't miss out on all the fun.

Registration can be done at the Mo-Ark web site: <moarkkiwanis.org>.

Be Ready for the Convention

Each Kiwanian will have to fill out a separate registration form. Non-Kiwanians and children can be added to the Kiwanian's form and do not have to be registered separately. *Please book your hotel room early.*

TENTATIVE CONVENTION SCHEDULE

July 31 - August 2, 2015

Friday, July 31

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| 7:00 a.m.-5:45 p.m. | Registration and Credentials (closed 11:45-1:45) |
| 8:00-9:00 a.m. | Silent Auction, Hospitality, Exhibits, setup only |
| 8:00-9:00 a.m. | 2014-2015 District Board Meeting |
| 9:00-5:45 p.m. | Hospitality, Silent Auct., Exhibits (closed 11:30-1:45) |
| 9:00-10:30 a.m. | Past Governors' Meeting |
| 9:00-10:30 a.m. | 2014-2015 District Council Meeting |
| 9:00-10:30 a.m. | First Timers Reception |
| 9:00-10:30 a.m. | Past Governors' Partners Brunch |
| 9:00-11:30 a.m. | Kids Activities |
| 10:30-11:30 a.m. | 2015-2016 Lt. Governors and Trustees Meeting |
| 11:45-1:30 p.m. | GIANT INTERCLUB, First General Session and Family Luncheon |
| 1:45-3:45 p.m. | "Pack-A-Meal" Hope International |
| 1:45-3:45 p.m. | "Pack-A-Meal," Kids, Partners, Aktion Club Activity |
| 4:00-5:30 p.m. | Beatrice Johnson Kiwanis Youth Kamp Board Meeting |
| 4:00-5:30 p.m. | Earl Collins Foundation Board Meeting |
| 4:00-5:30 p.m. | Second General Session |
| 6:00-9:00 p.m. | 100th Kiwanis Anniversary Picnic |

Saturday, August 1

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| 6:00-6:45 a.m. | Eliminate Walk |
| 7:00-4:15 p.m. | Registration and Credentials (closed 11:45-2:15) |
| 7:00-8:15 a.m. | Breakfast for Past Lieutenant Governors and Eliminate Team |
| 8:30-4:15 p.m. | Hospitality, Silent Auct., Exhibits (closed 11:30-2:15) |
| 8:30-11:30 a.m. | Partners Activities |
| 8:30-11:45 a.m. | Kids Activities |
| 8:30-10:30 a.m. | Third General Session |
| 10:45-11:30 a.m. | Fund Raising |
| 10:45-11:30 a.m. | Public Relations |
| 10:45-11:30 a.m. | Let's Put Fun in Kiwanis |
| 10:45-11:30 a.m. | New Members Under Forty |
| 12:00-2:00 p.m. | Fourth General Session and Family Luncheon |
| | Honoring Past Governors |
| 2:15-4:15 p.m. | Fifth General Session and House of Delegates |
| 2:15-4:15 p.m. | Kiwanis Family Partners Activities, Organized Boy's and Girls Club Donations |
| 5:30-9:00 p.m. | Governor's Banquet and Installation of 2015-2016 Officers (for everyone) |
| 9:00-10:00 p.m. | 2015-2016 District Board Meeting |

Sunday, August 2

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| 8:00-8:45 a.m. | Devotional and Memorial Service |
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Springfield South Kiwanians David Bohnenkamper, Steve Gassel, and Mike Powers with some of the children who will receive food donated from the club's Cans for Kids project.

The "Hands of Kiwanis" are evident as the North Little Rock (Ark.) Kiwanis Club recognizes and encourages Terrific Kids in two North Little Rock elementary schools.



The Columbia (Mo.) Boonslick Kiwanis Club just finished phase one of a project for painting and fixing up the buildings and grounds of the First Chance for Children facility in Columbia.

From the clubs

NEWS BRIEFS

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Hot Springs Village held its first book exchange at the Fountain Lake elementary School on May 26th. The club sponsors a Birthday Book program at the school where each student receives a free book on their birthday. A total of 490 books were returned and then exchanged during the event.

Key Club members attending the District Leadership Conference this spring participated in two service projects. One was making balls of plastic to send to Eliminate countries to weave into birthing mats. Key Club members cut enough strips of plastic from bags to tightly fill an 8 cubic foot box. Also, over 800 trauma dolls were made. Key Clubs from Joplin, Marshfield and the Springfield area



For the second year the Joplin (Mo.) Kiwanis Club has awarded bookcases to students at Central Elementary as a part of the club's program to encourage reading.

helped the district board cut out the dolls at the January board meeting. Attendees at the conference then snipped, turned, stamped, stuffed, and sewed shut more than 800 dolls at a two hour service project forum. All schools took some dolls home to

Kiwanis clubs in Columbia, Missouri, combined their efforts on Kiwanis One Day to improve local school facilities.



donate to a local hospital or other charity.

The Ava (Mo.) Kiwanis Club presented two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors this year.

The North Little Rock Kiwanis
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These six students each received scholarships from the Carrollton Kiwanis Club and were recognized at a meeting of the Carrollton club April 27.





Missouri-Arkansas District Kiwanians gathered in Troy, Missouri, April 11 to dedicate this Centennial Playground Equipment. Cutting the ribbon for this event was Kiwanis International President John Button. As a part of the 100th anniversary of Kiwanis International, the event just happened to be on “Kiwanis One Day.”



For Kiwanis One Day this year, the North Kansas City Kiwanis Club, together with the Oak Park and Winnetonka High School Key Clubs, did chores at the Parkville Animal Shelter.

Martha Lewallen, K-Kids Administrator for the Mo-Ark District, traveled to Springdale to present the Walker School K-Kids the first place award for this year. This was presented at the Springdale Kiwanis Club meeting.



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Club held its annual Central Arkansas Prayer Breakfast May 7 at the Hotel Wyndham with 300 attending.

The Kiwanis clubs in Columbia, Mo., had their annual Pancake Day March 21, with the entire K-Family from all the clubs participating.

The Columbia (Mo.) Kiwanis Club, as of April 30, has raised a total of \$46,532 for the Eliminate project—82% of their \$57,000 goal.

The Kiwanis Club of Hot Springs Village (Ark.) had another successful Bar-B-Q fundraiser, serving more than 500 meals at the Coronado Center. About \$2,500 was raised, all for kids!

The South County - St. Louis Kiwanis Club held a Kiwanis One Day project in connection with the Mehlville and Oakville High School Key Clubs, collecting 427 non-perishable food items for the Mehlville High School “Give Back” backpack program. Again this year the South County Kiwanians cooked for the Mehlville

School District’s 60+ Bar-B-Q and gave a check to the district to help cover the cost of the meal

This year the Columbia (Mo.) Boonslick Kiwanis Club worked only one weekend of the High School Basketball Championships as a club fundraiser. Running one popcorn stand and paying other clubs that

The Key Club at Lutheran High School South held a baby shower to benefit Nurses for Newborns. They are sponsored by Gravois (Mo.) Kiwanis.



helped, Boonslick cleared \$2,700. The club’s K-Kids assembled 39 kits for kids with cancer and they were delivered to the agency along with two boxes of books.

The Gravois (Mo.) Kiwanis Club held its Trivia Night March 21 and netted over \$8,500.

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Thirty-three students from Washington County Schools were recognized by the Fayetteville (Ark.) Sequoyah Kiwanis Club for a “Good Heart” award April 22.





The Kiwanis Club of Downtown Springfield (Mo.) spent April 11 collecting non-perishable food items for the Salvation Army's food pantry. Over 1,864 pounds of food were collected as part of the club's Kiwanis One Day project.

These Ava (Mo.) Kiwanians are getting "Suited up" for the club's Annual Peanut Day in May. This is always a fun time collecting funds for children's programs!



The Huntsville (Ark.) Kiwanis Club recognized Terrific Kids at Watson Primary School at the Watson Primary Character Rally April 3.

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The Palmyra (Mo.) Kiwanis Club can officially brag. Member Gary Stowe received the Distinguished Key Club Sponsor Award at the recent District Key Club Leadership Conference. In addition the club's Key Club won the Diamond Distinguished Award, the highest honor, for the third year in a row.

On Beaufort Beautification Day, nearly 100 people helped make the Beaufort Elementary School Outdoor Classroom accessible and beautiful. According to Dave Sutton, Union (Mo.) Kiwanian and K-Kids advisor: "This started as a K-Kids plan to work one day after school cleaning up their campus. Then it just kept growing into a bigger and bigger project." Four Union High School seniors received five Kiwanis scholarships this year totaling \$3,000.

The annual Scholarship Banquet of the Cape Girardeau (Mo.) Kiwanis Club was held last month and thirteen scholarships were awarded to deserving



Wyatt Chamberlin received the \$1,000 Earl Collins Scholarship and the Sedalia (Mo.) Kiwanis Club's \$500 William A Schien Scholarship from club president Bob Miller.

ing high school seniors.

The Carrollton (Mo.) Kiwanis Club conducted its first Baby Shower May 9 at Shopko and Mulch's stores. The project gathered \$315 worth of baby merchandise and \$526 in cash to benefit needy mothers. The Carrollton Key Club members assisted the Wakenda Masonic Lodge in conducting



The Key Club at Lindberg High School, K-Kids at Kennedy Elementary, and Builders Club at Sperring and Truman held a "Disney Day." Crestwood-Sunset Hills Kiwanis sponsors them.

ducting a MOCHIP Child ID project.

The Conway (Ark.) Kiwanis Club recently presented a \$750 check to Courtney Leach of Community Connections.

The Kiwanis Club of Springfield South recently presented two \$1,500 Carl Lippelman Memorial Scholarships.

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The Mountain Home (Ark.) Kiwanis Club sponsored Kiwanis Student Government Day April 22. These are some of the students with local public officials.





Union Kiwanis conducted a PAK (Partner Activities with Kids) birdhouse project at Union Middle School in Union, Mo., recently. Union Kiwanis Club members helped the students build Bluejay houses after school.



This is a group of Cape Girardeau (Mo.) Kiwanians, the Kiwanis Kookers, who had just helped with the March of Dimes "March for Babies" event where they grilled and wrapped over 500 hot dogs.

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ships to high school seniors, Carrie Parker and Taylor Tummins. The club's B.U.G. Program at the Musgrave Unit of the Boys and Girls Club held an ice cream sundae party on May 8 to celebrate the kids who improved their grades or maintained good grades this past grading period.

The Huntsville (Ark.) Kiwanis Club just completed another successful raffle, this time for a nice mower and other yard stuff, netting about \$8,000. The K-Kids at Huntsville Intermediate School just recently completed one of their community service projects by raising \$1,122 for the Madison County Pet Shelter.

Springdale (Ark.) Kiwanis recently recognized Kellye McElroy Smith with a Centennial Zeller and Pat Erwin with a Mother's Day Zeller.



Tom Wiles of the Huntsville Kiwanis Club surprised his wife, Linda, with a Mother's Day Zeller award April 11. It was presented by International President John Button.



For the twelfth consecutive year North Kansas City Kiwanis has helped with the Mid-America Games for the physically disabled. This year's games, the 34th annual in Kansas City, were especially critical since next year is an Olympic Games year, with games to be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Winners in K.C. qualify for Nationals,

and winners at Nationals can go on to the Para-Olympics in Brazil.

Most of the information from this section on club news is gleaned from club bulletins that are sent to this editor. This can be done only if the clubs include complete information in their bulletins about projects that *have been completed*.

This is a group of Key Clubbers from Jessierville (Ark.) High School who helped make a success of a Special Kids Picnic for students from Jessierville, Mountain Pine, and Fountain Lake. About 40 kids and Kiwanians enjoyed the picnic, fishing, games, and boating. The Key Club is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Hot Springs Village.





The Canton (Mo.) Kiwanis Club and Canton High Key Club worked to revitalize the garden around the school's welcome sign as part of their Kiwanis One Day work.



The Columbia Kiwanis Club supports the twice monthly meetings of the Aktion Club, providing refreshments and programs. The March 3 meeting was well attended and ended in a party.

The Jackson (Mo.) Kiwanis Club worked with the students at Orchard Elementary School, explaining the Kiwanis Eliminate project. The students, faculty, and staff there raised nearly \$259 for Eliminate.



FUTURE KIWANIS EVENTS

June 25-28	Kiwanis International Convention, Hyatt Regency (Mo-Ark District hotel), Indianapolis, Ind.
July 31-August 2	Mo-Ark District Convention, Ramada Oasis Hotel, Springfield, Mo.
Feb. 26-28, 2016	Mid-Winter Conference, Capitol Plaza Hotel. Jefferson City, Missouri
June 25-28, 2016	Kiwanis International Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
August 5-7, 2016	Mo-Ark District Convention, Wyndham Hotel, North Little Rock, Arkansas
October 16-18	Key Leader Camp, Camp Mishaska, Bourbon. Mo.
November 6-8	Key Leader Camp, Camp Tanako, Hot Springs, Ark.
July 13-17, 2017	Kiwanis International Convention, Paris, France

HOPE COMES IN SMALL PACKAGES

The service project at the 2015 Mo-Ark Convention is a food processing event with **Hope International** with a goal of assembling 20,000 meals in two hours. To meet this goal, the District needs to raise \$4,000 and have at least 100 people signed up to help. We are asking **EACH CLUB** to GIVE \$50.

The meals will be distributed to Boys and Girls Clubs throughout Missouri and Arkansas.

TOGETHER, we can complete this project, feed our children, and celebrate 100 years of what it means to be a Kiwanis member.

IN MEMORIAM

Division 5

Gail Bank
Mildred Brown
Mildred Washington
Columbia Boonslick

John Bauman
Little Dixie, Columbia

Division 9

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West Saint Louis County

June Stewart
Hampton-Midtown, St. Louis

Division 10

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ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



This is Dr. Kellye McElroy Smith of the Springdale Kiwanis Club on a trip last month in Namibia with UNICEF and the Kiwanis Eliminate project to see the results of our work first hand.

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