# Kiwanigram

**Missouri-Arkansas District** 

Issue No. 4 May, 2016



North Kansas City Kiwanis & Key Club help animal shelter on Kiwanis One Day

The Kiwanigram is published bimonthly in November, January, March May, July, and September.

Send club articles and photos to the editorial office of the Kiwanigram at 1022 E. Greenwood St., Springfield, MO 65807 or email to Kiwanigram@gmail.com.



Don Leupold Governor

Roger Jespersen Governor Elect

Dan Yates Immediate Past Governor

> Jeff Hartman Secretary-Treasurer

Nathan Smith Key Club Governor

David Bohnenkamper Kiwanigram Editor

# Missouri-Arkansas District Convention

We have the cure for those Dog Days of August. Join us at the Wyndham Hotel for FUN and FELLOWSHIP at our Missouri-Arkansas District Convention in North Little Rock, Arkansas, August 11th-13th. The convention is situated close to shopping and many attractions. We have an informative schedule planned as well as a Hike to benefit the Kiwanis Kamp and a FUN indoor Campfire planned for Friday evening! You can learn more about the hike/campfire and register for this event using the form that accompanies this issue of the Kiwanigram.

When you're not in a session or visiting with fellow Kiwanians, join one or both of the Tours being offered to attendees to the Maritime Museum where the USS Razorback, the longest serving Navy Submarine is on display, or take the Metro Trolley Ride Tour visiting several sites.

Plan on staying a day or two before or after the convention. You can visit www.tripadvisor.com and enter North Little Rock, AR, River Market District to see all the attractions available. You can also get more information at the district website: www.moarkkiwanis.net.

See you there!

#### **GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE**

I cannot believe that we are already into the 8th month of this Kiwanis year.



March and April were very busy and very rewarding months. It kicked off with attending the MO-ARK District Key Club "DLC." What an amazing experience that was to join with more than 400 Key Club members from Missouri and Arkansas at their annual District Leadership Conference. On March 17th we celebrated chartering the Kiwanis Club of Arnold, MO, our newest Kiwanis Club in MO-ARK.



March 18th I made my official Governor's visit to Region II in Moberly, MO.

April was no less busy. April 6th I was able to participate in chartering a new Key Club at Parkway West High School. April 9th I made my official Governor's visit to Region III in Lebanon, MO. April 21st I enjoyed a very exciting evening in Jefferson City to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the Kiwanis Club of Jefferson City, MO. We were honored to have the Kiwanis International President, Susan Petrisin, join us for this event. April 22nd I met with the MO-ARK District board and annual Lieutenant Governor training meeting in Springfield, MO. April 26th I made my official Governor's visit to Region V, hosted by Division 10 at Cuba. MO.

Yes, it has been a busy two months but also very rewarding and enjoyable as Lori and I have been able to meet and become acquainted with many wonderful MO-ARK Kiwanians. It is always great to hear about the achievements of our MO-ARK Kiwanis Clubs.

On May 4th the Missouri-Arkansas District of Kiwanis lost a tremendous leader. Past Governor Thomas "Tom" Sullivan passed away. Our MO-ARK Governor from 2004-2005, and a member of the Kiwanis Club of Russellville, AR.

With just over four months remaining in this Kiwanis year, we still have much to do. I will be completing my Governor's visits to Regions VII, VIII and IX. I hope that many of you are planning to attend the Kiwanis International convention in Toronto. We are working hard planning a very interesting and exciting MO-ARK District convention August 11-13 in North Little Rock, AR. This will be a great convention that you will not want to miss.

I encourage you to continue your impact on your community by living the third and fourth objects of Kiwanis:

- #3 "To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional Standards."
- #4 "To develop by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship."

Remember these Kiwanis objects as you "share your life" through Kiwanis.

Lori and I always look forward to visiting with you all as we make our visits around the District. Please be sure to let me know if you are having a special event.

Governor Don

### Kiwanis One Day Saturday, April 2, 2016





The Pulaski Heights Kiwanis Club of Little Rock Arkansas and the Wilbur D. Mills University Studies High School Key Club joined forces to beautify the entrance to the school. They dug out old dead plants and filled the beds with beautiful spring flowering bushes and crepe myrtles.



Members of the Kiwanis Club of North Kansas City and their sponsored Key Club cleaned and laid new mulch on the animal exercise trails at the Parkville Animal Shelter as their Kiwanis One Day project. Several low spots in the trails had to be refilled, as previous applications of mulch had washed away. The only glitch in the day came when the pick-up truck hauling mulch got a flat tire.





Above: Members of the Canton (Mo.) Kiwanis Club and Key Club planted flowers around the welcome sign for the community schools. Right: Recycling was also part of the beautification project. Kiwanians Cindy Kell and Trish Kermode oversee loading of recycleables.



The Kiwanis Club of Springfield-South (Mo.) held a food drive to benefit Isabel's House Crisis Nursery of the Ozarks. Isabel's House provides a temporary home for children whose families are experiencing medical, financial, or other crises. The club collected enough non-perishible food items to feed children at the nursery for almost a year.

L-R: Krista Andrews, Paula Adams, and Mark Frazier of the Kiwanis Club of Springfield-South with some of the non-perishible food collected for Isabel's House. Kiwanis One Day Saturday, April 2, 2016





The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis, along with the two Key Clubs they sponsor at Mehlville High School and Oakville High School, collected approximately \$1,400 worth of Personal Care Items for the Feed My People thrift store. Feed My People is in dire need of personal care items for their clients, so the three Kiwanis Family clubs conducted a collection from their members, fellow students and friends for the Kiwanis One Day project to show how much can be accomplished in one day when everyone works together.

#### Kiwanis One Day Saturday, April 2, 2016

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



Members of the Columbia (Mo.) Kiwanis and Golden K clubs volunteered at Central and Northeast Missouri Food Bank. Kiwanians packaged and labeled popcorn for needy families. Over 11,000 lbs. of popcorn were readied for shipment on Kiwanis One Day.



Left: Tery Donelson and Jack Meinzenbach (above) and Jason Simmons, Leroy Sharp, and Lisa Fredette (below).

Right: Gary Smith and Charlie Lee (above) and Penny Braun, Don Rowland, and Robert Lee (below)







Left to right: Jeff Hartman, Mary Hartman, Kiwanis International President Susan A. Petrisin

#### Kiwanis Honors We're proud of ...

Jeff Hartman, MO-ARK District Secretary-Treasurer and a member of the Union (Mo) Kiwanis Club, surprised his wife Mary Hartman (also a member of the Union club) at Jefferson City Kiwanis Club's 95th Birthday Celebration with a Kiwanis Centennial Award. The proceeds from the Centennial Award gift help support the Kiwanis Eliminate Project, eliminating maternal and neonatal tetanus. Each Centennial Award gift will help save or protect 833 women and their future babies from this deadly disease.

Mo-Ark District Governor Don Leupold presented Division 10 Lt. Governor David Sutton a Missouri-Arkansas Governor's Service Award. The award is presented to Kiwanians who have exhibited exemplary work, service or leadership during the current Kiwanis year. Lt. Governor David Sutton has reinvigorated Division 10 and Division 10 meetings.





Four Walter Zeller Fellowships were awarded May 11 at the 30th Annual Youth Excellence Awards luncheon of the Fayetteville Sequoyah (AR) Kiwanis Club. These recipients have all been instrumental in helping make this awards ceremony a huge success over the past years. Left to right: O. E. Luttrell of the Farmington Area Kiwanis; Elaine Walker; Carolene Thornton, Sequoyah Kiwanis YEA coordinator; and Dr. Kellye McElroy Smith, Eliminate Chair of Springdale Kiwanis, who presented the Zeller Awards. Karen Biggs, sponsor of recent luncheons, also was awarded a Zeller but was not present.



The Kiwanis Club of Boonslick (MO) awarded the Wayne Behymer Career Scholarship to three students in the Practical Nursing Program at the Columbia Area Career Center. They are all mothers who work while attending school, and were awarded the \$750 scholarships in recognition of their efforts to advance their education despite adversity. To date, 12 Wayne Behymer Career Scholarships have been given totalling \$7,050.00.

# Kiwanis in Action News from the clubs



Sherry Wyatt, President of the Boonslick (MO) Kiwanis Club, took a pie in the face from her sponsor, Deb Shore, at their May 11 meeting to launch their Endowment fund. There were 40 members in attendance and \$428 was raised.

This is one of the twenty-three students from Washington County, Arkansas schools who



received a Youth Excellence Award at an annual luncheon on May 11, sponsored by the Fayetteville Sequoyah Kiwanis Club. For more than 30 years the Kiwanis Club in Fayetteville has sponsored a luncheon honored these students, with their parents and teachers, for what has become to be known as the "good heart" award.

The Huntsville (AR) Kiwanis Club recognized "Terrific Kids" at Watson Primary School during the Watson Primary Character Rally. Parents were invited to attend the rally in honor of the "Terrific Kids." Each student was presented with a certificate, a medal, and a gift card from Sonic.

The Kiwanis Club of South County Kiwanis - St. Louis recently presented the \$1000 MO-ARK District Earl Collins Scholarship for Division 9 to Hannah Hoffmeister of Oakville High School. Hannah will be attending Missouiri University in the fall studying journalism. She has already written and published 5 books in the Dream Ring series for teenagers. South County Kiwanis President Judy Burnette presented Hannah with her Certificate of Scholarship at the Mehlville School District 60+ BBO.

### Kiwanis in Action News from the clubs



Approximately 170 Terrific Kids recipients were treated to light refreshments, games, face painting, and parachute team play at the Terrific Kids Party on Wednesday, May 11, at 1:30 p.m. at the Carrollton Elementary School, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Carrollton (AR). The youth had a great time, but what impressed the adults was their politeness and genuine gratitude for their recognition.

The Downtown Springfield (MO) Kiwanis Club hosted a Kiwanis Baseball Celebration on April 1, 2016, at the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame. The event was hosted by local sportscaster Ned Reynolds and Springfield's Mayor, Bob Stephens, presented a Proclamation recognizing April 1 as Kiwanis Baseball Celebration Day. Proceeds from this event will be used to start an annual summer baseball camp for boys and girls, ages 9-12, from the Boys and Girls Clubs. The 1st camp will be held on June 22 at the Springfield Cardinals baseball field.



The Kiwanis Club of Pulaski Heights, Little Rock, Arkansas joined forces with the USDA and Landmark Elementary School to provide a food safety seminar for 30 children and their parents. The Kiwanis Club presented information on Probiotic foods and Good bacteria.

Happy children with "Good Bacteria" (Kiwanian Chris Thompson) and "Germy" (Kiwanian Dale Paulson).



The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis honored Noah Faulkner of Margaret Buerkle Middle School as its "Outstanding Student" for May 2016. Noah is pictured with his parents Dan & Christine Faulkner.

Noah was honored for his outstanding academic performance, community activities, and the service and leadership he performs at his school and in the community. He received a Certificate of Recognition, a gift card to a local store and to the Green Park Dairy Queen Chill & Grill Restaurant.

## Kiwanis in Action News from the clubs







"More Pizza Please" was a remark frequently heard from Clark-Vitt Elementary K-Kids at a Pizza Party given by the Union (MO) Kiwanis Club. The Union Kiwanis club also sponsors the Key Club at Union High School, Builders Club at Union Middle School, and K-Kids at Beaufort Elementary The Stuttgart (AR) Kiwanis Club awarded 17 students with a total of \$11,500 in Scholar-



ships and one student, Chandler Michelle Konecny was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Earl Collins Foundation. The Scholarships are funded by Stuttgart Kiwanis members who raised \$36,000 this past April in their Annual Radio-Thon, in addition to their flag fundraiser.



The Kiwanis Club of Carrollton recognized Brenna Germann (center) and Brandon Bartlett (left) as the 1st & 2nd place winners in their Constitution Essay Contest.

# Kiwanis in Action News from the clubs

On May 3, the Kiwanis Club of Springfield-South (MO) sponsored a B.U.G. (Bring Up Grades) party at the Boys & Girls Club. The B.U.G. kids were treated to ice cream sundaes and had a chance to win gift cards from Walmart.

Ralph Baldi (left) and David Bohnenkamper (right) from the Springfield-South Kiwanis Club with the drawing winners at the B.U.G. party.





Beaufort Elementary K-Kids, parents, faculty and Union Kiwanis Club members played and sprayed as they washed cars and trucks to earn money to contribute to Relay for Life. Thanks to the supportive community and the encouraging honks of the big rig truckers and bus drivers on the highway, the student raised \$470 to contribute to Relay for Life. Additional donations raised the total to \$500.



### Service Leadership Leaders of tomorrow



Monitor Elementary School K KIDS in Springdale (AR) Kiwanis advisor, Truman Stamps, installed a "Little Free Library" at the front entrance of the school. They added three concrete pavers to avoid stepping into mulch, then planted colorful flowers to compliment the bright mallard duck school mascot painted on the library. Students are encouraged to "take a book- leave a book". Books are re-stocked every other Friday.



Members of the Boonslick K-Kids club helped pack meals for Kids Against Hunger.



Beaufort Elementary K-Kids in Union (MO) wrote letters to Veterans who will make the "Honor Flight" trip to Washington DC. Veterans will receive letters of appreciation that let them know "The kids are with you all the way, all the time." These K-Kids were supporting our Veterans and their service to our country.

#### **Kiwanis Calendar**

June 25-28 2016		Kiwanis International Convention Toronto Hilton Hotel Toronto, Ontario, Canada
August 11-13 2016		Mo-Ark District Convention Windham Riverfront Hotel North Little Rock, Arkansas
Feb.	23-25 2017	Midwinter Conference Holiday Inn Executive Center Columbia, Missouri
August 3-6 2017		Mo-Ark District Convention Ramada Oasis Conv. 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 and limit descriptions of events to no more than 100 words. Information about Service Leadership clubs and events may also be submitted. Photos of events are always welcome. Preference will be given to photos of Kiwanians participating in service or fundraising activities and interacting with children at service projects. Please include a brief description of each photo and the names of the people 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 1**Gerald Grossnickle
Kirksville

**Division 4**Edwin Byrd
Mid-Town K.C.

**Division 5**Gale Fuller
Fulton

William Rilly Columbia

Joann Ruhr Columbia Golden K

**Division 9**Isaac Young
Maplewood

**Division 12**Tom Keckley
Joplin

T. Melvin Kennedy Monett

**Division 13**George Rubenstein
Springfield Downtown

**Division 14**Sanford Boone
Springdale

**Division 19**Anthony Wind Siloam Springs

**Division 20**2004-05 MoArk Governor
Tom Sullivan
Russellville

