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**Beaufort Elementary
K-Kids Support
Humane Society**

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Eliminate Project Matching Funds Available

You and/or your club may benefit from this special Eliminate offer. The district still has 6 matching grants of \$250 available to those giving Zeller Fellowship gifts. A Zeller Fellowship award represents a gift of \$1250 to the Kiwanis Children's Fund for The Eliminate Project. \$250 is available for each Zeller Fellowship.

Guidelines for the "2017-18 MO-ARK" \$250 Matching gift for a Zeller Award

- To qualify for the \$250 match, a commitment form must be completed (see instructions below) and \$1000 paid to Kiwanis Children's Fund.
- You can pay \$1000 immediately or pay in two \$500 installments. The first \$500 must be paid by Sept. 1, 2018 and the second installment of \$500 by March 1, 2019. The \$250 match may be credited to you or your club once the \$1000 is paid.
- The Zeller will be sent out and can be presented after the full \$1250 (your \$1000 plus the \$250 match) is paid. Please allow six to eight weeks after full payment for the award to be prepared and delivered.
- A Zeller may be given by a club, one individual or groups of individuals. Both the individual(s) and the club receives credit.
- If you want to pay by check
 1. Complete the Kiwanis Children's Fund Gift/pledge form.
 2. Send the completed form to Roger Jespersen as soon as possible (see mailing address below) along with a check payable to Kiwanis Children's Fund (include in memo "Eliminate") for the full \$1000 or the first installment of \$500.
 3. You will be added to the matching funds list and the paperwork will be forwarded to Kiwanis Children's Fund for processing. You will be contacted if matching funds are no longer available.
- If you prefer to give and pay online
 1. Send an email to Roger Jespersen (see email address below) to confirm matching funds are available and add your name to the matching gift list.
 2. Complete the online transaction writing in "2017-18 MO-ARK" and email proof of payment (a copy of the confirmation email from the Kiwanis Children's Fund) to Roger Jespersen.

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Governor's Message

Wow, what an exciting time to be a Kiwanian in MO-ARK. We just completed our Mid-Winter convention in Columbia and learned about our Kiwanis Super Powers! Do you know your super powers? Plan on attending the District Convention in August to explore them in more detail.

I was honored to attend the Charter Evening for the new University City Club. The enthusiasm and energy in that room was amazing. I look for them to be a distinguished club every year because they are already amazing with their planning and goal setting. Two folks joined the club during the Charter Night festivities, what a blessing.

I was also honored to attend the Key Club District Leadership Convention, where I retired my officers and Gary Baker installed his for next year. 430 servant leaders attended many breakout sessions, participated in a service project for Project Linus, and danced the night away. Thank you Mr. Z. and crew for an awesome convention.

We have two brand new clubs being announced this month, Cameron Crossroads and Washington, both in Missouri. Please join me in welcoming both clubs to our family. I am looking forward to attending both of their charter nights soon.

I have upcoming Governor visits to Regions 1, 2, 4, and 8. I am looking forward to each and meeting the folks that don't get to conferences or conventions. The other Regions will be scheduled soon.

We are planning a club blitz in NW Arkansas for April 23-25th to open three new clubs. If you are available to help we would welcome all Kiwanians to join with us as we recruit new members for the new clubs as well as the existing clubs in the areas. Contact me if you would like to help and I will gladly put you on my list. We have a 4th site picked out if we have enough helpers. We need more hands for more service as we know that with recent events of shootings, teen suicides, and the opioid crisis we are needed now more than ever before. Each child has the right to be happy, healthy, safe, and loved, and we can make an impact in our own communities to ensure that happens.

#kidsneedkiwanis

Cordially,

Cheryl

Kiwanis Honors We're proud of ...



Kiwanian Marilyn Young receives the Diamond Level 3 Zeller Award from MoArk Governor Cheryl Anderson.

Marilyn Young from the Kiwanis Club of Maplewood was presented the Diamond Level 3 Zeller Award and her four children received a Certificate of Appreciation for the generous donation made to the Eliminate Project in memory of Isaac Young, husband/father. Their donation allowed Maplewood Kiwanis to complete its pledge to Eliminate making it a Model Club.

Kiwanis in Action News from the Clubs



On May 2 the Kiwanis Club of Springfield South held their final B.U.G. party of the school year for kids at the Boys and Girls Club. The kids were treated to make-it-yourself ice cream sundaes as a reward for their fine academic work.

Left: Ralph Baldi from the Springfield South Kiwanis Club visits with some of the Boys and Girls Club kids at the final B.U.G. party of the school year.

The Kiwanis Club of Bridgeton (MO) recently presented a check for \$5,000 to Ranken Technical College in St. Louis, to be used for scholarships.

The Kiwanis Club of Gladstone, along with members of the Oak Park Key Club and Americorp volunteers, celebrated Mothers Day by collecting donations of baby care items for young mothers in

needy families. The baby care items will be distributed through Operation Break-through, an early childhood education center in the Kansas City area.



Kiwanis in Action

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In April the Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis honored Madelynn Kordik of Margaret Buerkle Middle School and Chloe Burgard of Abiding Savior Lutheran School (above) and in May, Sophie Blick of Oakville Middle School and Ruth Hollander of Washington Middle School (below) as it's "Outstanding Students." All four were honored for their outstanding academic performance, as well as their involvement in school and community activities, and the service they render to their school and the community.



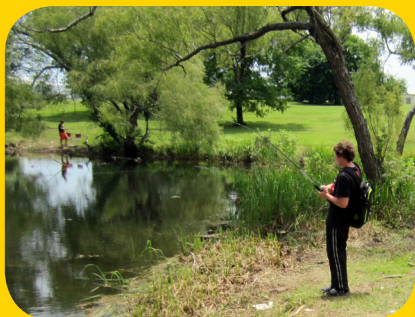
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Every month the Gravois Kiwanis Club recognizes one student from each first grade class at Mesnier Elementary School as a “Terrific Kid” of the month. Terrific Kids receive a personalized certificate of achievement and other gifts to celebrate their accomplishment. The Terrific Kids for May are pictured at right.



Pictured left to right: Front row – Anes Mutapic, Lilly Karkoski, Olivia Edwards, Alyson Casinger, Briana Tino. Row two – Cecilia Been, Joshuwa Eberhart, Audrina Malin, Chloe Brent, Tarik Mustafic. Back Row – Members of Gravois Kiwanis Club.



For the past few years the Malvern Area Kiwanis Club has partnered with other organizations in Hot Spring County, including College of the Ouachitas, to hold a “Hooked On Fishing, Not On Drugs” event at COTO’s pond. Local law enforcement helps the kids if any aren’t experienced with fishing and the Kiwanis Club grills hot dogs.



The Batesville Kiwanis Club awarded \$1000 scholarships to the following: (left to right) Mallory McClure of Batesville High School, Madison Hewitt of Southside High School, and Brittany Smith of Midland High School. Scholarships are awarded each year to a senior Key Club member from each of their sponsored clubs.

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Above: Kiwanian Barbara Wolf poses with a copy of the mural for the Ronald McDonald House.

Left: Key Club and Builders Club members join K-Kids to slice the cake at the Boonslick SLP celebration.

The Kiwanis Club of Boonslick held its 2nd annual Celebration of Service Leadership Programs in April. The Boonslick club sponsors a K-Kids club, 2 Builders Clubs, a Key Club, and co-sponsors an Aktion Club. Funds were also raised at the event with a drawing for copy of a mural for a local Ronald McDonald house inspired by the SLP members' responses to the theme "What does Service Leadership mean to me."

The Kiwanis Club of Gladstone recognized graduating seniors from their sponsored Key Club at Winnetonka High School



Loann Elledge, Bill Leonard and Lee Bodendieck of the Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis are grilling hamburgers for the Mehlville School District 60+ Club BBQ for senior citizens. Observing behind them are Kiwanians Vern Langenfeld and Steve Dodson.



Members of the Beaufort Elementary K-Kids in Union, Mo., are pictured with supplies collected for the Franklin County Humane Society. The K-Kids have conducted three drives over the years to collect supplies to donate to the Humane Society.

left to right are: Driver Sterling, Isabelle Gilbert, Jenna Koch, Truman Sterling, Eva Ehlers



Service Leadership Leaders of Tomorrow



The Union High School Key Club organized Easter Egg Hunts for the kids in Union R-XI Early Childhood and PAT (Parents As Teachers) programs. Key Club members brought along their friend, the Easter Bunny, to visit with all the kids. Key Club girls filled almost 1000 eggs with trinkets and candy.

Right: Key Clubbers Brittany Baker, Vice President Kaitlyn Kreutz, Kennedy Reeser and Taylor Reeser.

Below: Kennedy Reeser, Brittany Baker, Easter Bunny, Vice President Kaitlyn Kreutz and Taylor Reeser. Key Club Sponsor Gina Peters (wearing bunny ears)



The Beaufort Elementary K-Kids club (Union, Mo) held a bake sale to raise \$550 for the local Ronald McDonald House.

Pictured in the back row on the right (tall guy in black shirt) is Union Kiwanis K-Kids sponsor David Sutton. To the right of David is Beaufort Elementary K-Kids sponsor Jamie Koch (in yellow shirt).



Kiwanis Calendar

June 28-July 1 2018	Kiwanis International Conv. Las Vegas, Nevada
Aug. 2-5 2018	MoArk 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. 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

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