



GRAVOIS KIWANIS CLUB OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

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Our club meets every Wednesday at 12:15

Bartolino's South at 5914 S. Lindbergh Blvd. St. Louis, Mo.

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NEWS

Our biggest Service Project of the year planting a vegetable, fruit and herb garden at Gateway 180. Volunteers were Allan Cordes, Paul and Holden Eckrich, Karl & Pam Grattendick, Robert & Mandy Hosner, Carla OBrien and Ellen Sandweiss – thanks everyone!



PRESIDENT: JIM CROOKS

PRESIDENT ELECT: JEAN ECKRICH

TREASURER: CARLA O'BRIEN

SECRETARY: CARLA O'BRIEN

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT: GINGER CROOKS

Lt. Governor, Div. 9: •Bonnie Paulsmeyer

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- K BENNETT 2022
- P ECKRICH 2022
- K GRATTENDICK 2022
- D SABBERT 2022
- B BALK 2023
- A FRITSCH 2023
- D LEUPOLD 2023

Birthdays

- Mary Giunta
- Don Leupold
- Marilyn Allen
- Carla O'Brien
- Ken Dressel
- Don Leupold Jr.

Anniversaries

- Allan & Beverly Cordes
- Donald & Anne Sabbert



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May Highlights

Our Flying Squadron to the So County Kiwanis Fundraiser at Bandana's BBQ in Sunset Hills. Attending were the Crooks, the O'Briens and Karl Grattendick.



Thank you to our May Speakers!



Madison Peroutka & Ellie Spangler Scholarship Winners on May 13th w/ Jim Fritz



May 18th– Jean !



Our speaker on May 25 was Shelley Dale of Samaritans Purse

Kiwanis Club of Gravois - St. Louis County Board Meeting June 1, 2022

President – Jim Crooks
Treasurer – Carla Obrien

President-elect – Jean Eckrich
Co-Secretary – Carla OBrien

Attending Board of Directors: Ken Bennett, Paul Eckrich, Ann Fritsch, Karl Grattendick, Don Leupold and Don Sabbert
Also present were: Allan Cordes, Ginger Crooks, Bob Praprotnik and Roger Richie

Secretary's Report (Carla OBrien) –Motion to accept the May minutes as presented in the Newsletter with the correction that the Good Friday Easter Basket project was a joint project the St Peters Episcopal delivered to Gateway 180, Jim Crooks moved to accept the minutes as corrected; seconded by Jean Eckrich. All in favor, none opposed.



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Treasurer's Report (Carla O'Brien) –

Charitable account is at \$ 13,697.66 and Administrative account is at \$ 1101.33, totaling \$ 14,798.99

Motion was made to accept the financial report by Don Sabbert and Paul Eckrich seconded.
All in favor, none opposed.

Committee Reports - Administrative:

Audit (Don Sabbert & Ann Fritsch) – **Completed Dec 2021.**

Budget (Carla Obrien) – **Completed 9/9/21**

Education (Ken Haller & Ginger Crooks) – Weekly questions continue.

Flying Squadron (Jim Crooks) – Scheduled for June is Flying Squadron to Hampton Midtown Now St Louis City) at 5:00pm, Thursday 6/02/22. Ginger & Crooks, Jean Eckrich, Karl & Pam Grattendick, Carla & Dave O'Brien and Bob Praprotnik will attend. Tuesday, 6/07/22 a Flying Squadron to Meramec Valley Club at Lazy River Grill at Noon, currently signed up are Jim Crooks, Karl Grattendick, and Bob Praprotnik.

House Comm. (Karl Grattendick) – Need more guest gifts, pens. Carla will pick up at Convention.

Program (Jean Eckrich) –Go over all programs as scheduled for May **at end of the newsletter**

Membership Development (Jim Crooks) Nothing new

Nominating (Jim C & last 4 pres.) –All Board and Officer positions for 2022-23 is due to KI in May 2022.

Approved at the General Meeting on 5/25/22 were:

4 Board positions are:Ken Bennett, Jim Forgash,:Bob Praprotnik and Roger Richie.

President is Jean Eckrich,

President Elect is: Karl Grattendick (with Ed Golterman doing the Speaker locating)

Co- Secretary: Marisa McCluer and Carla OBrien

Treasurer: Carla OBrien .

These terms will begin 10/01/22.

President's Party (Karl Grattendick) – Will start planning work next month

Publicity (Marilyn Allen) -No report

Sick/telephone (Don Sabbert) – Cards out to those with health issues

Committee Reports - Community Service

Camp (Paul Eckrich) – No report

Community Service / Welfare (Paul Eckrich) – Since we now have money in the treasury, checks will be issued to Circle of Concern and Feed My People each in the amount of \$250

Fund Raising (Allan C, Ken B, Ginger C, Jim C, Mike H, Robert H, Carla O, Roger R – Plan to meet to discuss on 6/8/22 after the meeting.

Old Newsboys (Paul & Allan) – Completed 11/18/21

Presidents Project (Jim Crooks) – **MEMBERSHIP**
(see membership development, above)

Salvation Army Bell Ringing (Jim Crooks) – **Completed Dec17, 21,23**



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Scholarship (Carla Obrien & Jim Fritz) – The two Affton students were unable to attend the Scholarship Luncheon, so Madison Peroutka and Ellie Spangler received their checks from Jim Fritz at the Affton Awards Day ceremony on 5/13/22.

SLP – High Schools (Jim Crooks) –

Hancock: (Nicole Herman)- No information

Affton: (Marilyn Allen) – No information

Lutheran South: (Debbie Davis & Laura Maschhoff)

Bayless High School – The new Principal is discussing having a Key Club start in the Fall

Grade Schools (Carla Obrien)

Mesnier – We will begin the reading and Terrific Kids program in September and will present the program to the teachers in August.

Gotsch – The new principal is interested in Reading – Terrific Kids. Ongoing discussions about starting the Program in September

MO-ARK Key Club (Jim Fritz) –

Key Leader camps are scheduled Oct 21-23 at Camp Mikaska in Bourbon, MO and Camp Tanako in Hot Springs AR on November 4-6 (\$195 per student, \$150 for counselors, chaperones & volunteers)

Tilles Lights (Karl Grattendick / Carla OBrien) – Sent in the new application, and should hear back in September or October if we're selected.

Young Children Priority 1 (Don Leupold & Ann Fritsch) – They will get a list of checks needing disbursement since there are now funds available.

Youth Services (Ken Haller) – No report

Committee Reports - Fund Raising

Run (Ellen) – No report

Steak Raffle (Paul Eckrich) – Held the drawing on June 1. Winners were: 25 steaks – Paul Eckrich, .15 – Greg Lauber, 10 – Carla OBrien, 5- Ken Dressel, 5- Isabella (Don Leupold), 5 – Greg Mueller, 5 – Mary Guinta, 5 - Ken

Bennett, 5 – Karl Grattendick, 5 – Brian Akerson, 5 – Randy Ottinger

Trivia (Carla & Jean) – Completed March 26, 2022.

We are considering where to go for Trivia next year 4/1/23. The Lions Hall would hold 18 - 22 tables maximum. It appears that Crestwood Community Center might be better, 25 tables maximum at same pricing.

Thank you for the search ideas from Ann Fritsch and Jean Eckrich!

Poinsettias: (Paul Eckrich) – **completed Dec 2021**, still awaiting 1 check.

Collecting for Savers: On hold until they weigh in differently.

OLD BUSINESS

Website update and social media increase. Marilyn will speak with CAPS students next school year.

Upcoming Events & Speakers

NEW BUSINESS

IMPORTANT DATES UPCOMING

- 6/02/22 Flying Squadron to Hampton Midtown (St Louis City) BBQ at Ritz Park
- 6/07/22 Flying Squadron to Meramec Valley Community Club
- 6/08/22 **Gravois Kiwanis Speaker:** Savers –Karen Whelan, Opportunities for Fundraising, changes since Covid rules
- 6/08-6/11/22 Kiwanis International Convention in Indianapolis, IN
- 6/15/22 **Gravois Kiwanis Speaker;** Helping Hand Me Downs – Stephanie Suljak, Serving infants and children, providing help to their mothers. Bring back items , exchanges for bigger sizes – the cycle of giving!
- 6/18/22 Kiwanis One Day – Region IV clubs Clean Up Day @ Camp Wyman, 8:30a – Noon, Reservations needed, Contact Jim Crooks
- 6/22/22 **Gravois Kiwanis Speaker:** REMAX Realty – Brandon Balk, he'll discuss the Current home market, and his special methods to success.
- 6/29/22 **Gravois Kiwanis Speaker:** Haven of Grace – Karen Klaus, Helping women Through pregnancy and homelessness
- 8/25-8/27/22 MO-ARK District Convention in Springfield, MO

Meeting place

The next Board Meeting for July is July 6, @ Bartolinos South

Adjournment – at 1:25pm