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7372 Manchester Rd.

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Wednesdays - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

Casa Maya STL

2726 Sutton Blvd.

Maplewood, MO 63143

1st Wednesday

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

PNC Bank

Location of Special Meetings Called as Needed

2211 S. Big Bend (at Folk Ave.), St. Louis, MO 63117

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.

- January
- 4 Regular Meeting & Board Meeting, 12:00 noon, Casa Maya STL
 - 11 Regular Meeting, 12:00 noon, The Post Bar & Grill -
Program - Water Well Drilling in Guatemala - Terri Cranmer & Roy Wall
 - 12 New Club Chartering & Installation - Flying Squadron Opportunity
Northwest Jefferson County Club - 6:00 p.m.
 - 18 Regular Meeting, 12:00 noon, The Post Bar & Grill
Lt. Governor, Teri Jacob, Official Visit
 - 25 Regular Meeting, 12:00 noon, The Post Bar & Grill
 - 27 **Beatrice Johnson Youth Kamp Headquarters Cabin
Groundbreaking Ceremony - London, AR - Noon**
RSVP needed by January 20 to Carla O'Brien

February 15 990-Tax Form Due

**March 10-11 MO-ARK EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
Springfield, MO - Holiday Inn & Suites, 2720 Glenstone**

April 7 First Kiwanis Day of Giving - Supports Kiwanis Children's Fund

Program - Mustard Seed Peace Project

Our new member, Roy Wall, secured this program. He and Terri Cranmer have worked together to secure water wells in several small Guatemala villages. Mustard Seed Peace Project is a NGO (non-governmental organization). They have worked to get clean water to the people in these villages. This month, there is work being started to provide the schools with composting latrines. Besides clean water and bathroom facilities, the group is also working to provide educational tools and supplies and health services including dental programs. There is much to do in Guatemala, and many volunteers have been working to get things done. Mustard Seed does fundraising and has year-end appeals. Terri and Roy provided a wonderful program which made us

aware of the need that is being filled by the Mustard Seed Peace Project Thank you, Terri and Roy!

Official Visit of Lt. Governor - January 18, 2023

Our Division 9 Lt. Governor, Teri Jacob, visited our club on January 18th. She shared information regarding the following; MO-ARK Educational Conference; Amplify leadership training; Kiwanigram; Ronald MacDonald House.

MO-ARK Educational Conference

The conference will be held on March 10-11, 2023, and will be held in Springfield, MO at the Holiday Inn & Suites on Glenstone. More information will be coming out soon.

Amplify

Amplify is “a new online leadership development program for those who want to amplify their team-leadership skills.” Kiwanis International is offering this program which will begin online on April 3, 2023. Registration is open until March 23rd, and the cost is \$200 for Kiwanis members.

Kiwanigram

MO-ARK’s newsletter will now be published monthly. The January issue was recently sent to members by email. Angie Oshia, the District Secretary, sends this out to members. Maplewood Kiwanis sends articles when we have something share.

Helping the Ronald McDonald House

A Kirkwood Club Kiwanis member had been giving a substantial donation each year to help families staying at the facility. He has passed away, and the Ronald MacDonald House still has need for those funds. The Kirkwood Club is donating and is asking other clubs in Division 9 to also consider doing so. Mark Geringer is the contact person from the Kirkwood Club—314.412.1306 or majicmark2002@yahoo.com.

New Club Chartering and Installation

Jeff Johnson represented our club at the chartering and installation of the Northwest Jefferson County Kiwanis Club. Thirteen local Kiwanis Clubs sent representatives. Governor Roy Ockert and Immediate Past Governor Carla O’Brien were present. Kiwanians brought donations for the Peace Pantry food program. Between silent auction proceeds and donation checks, \$1,295 was raised to help the club get started. This club will be serving children primarily in the Highway 30 corridor.

MRH School District Weekly News Blitz

Ed Rich is responsible for this publication. It is sent to parents, alumni, and other interested parties. This week, there was an article and picture acknowledging the \$2,000 donation from Maplewood Kiwanis for needed athletic equipment and uniforms. Information about our Facebook page was also included. Thank you, Ed.

Flying Squadron Opportunities

Jeff Johnson attends Kiwanis meetings of other clubs on a regular basis. Technically, to be a Flying Squadron, our club would need to send two members. If you are

interested in visiting other clubs, contact Jeff. This month, Jeff has visited Meramec Valley Community and Bridgeton.

MO-ARK History Book 2023

Les Mace and his committee are working on an updated history of the District. The books will be available for purchase at the August District Convention. There is an opportunity for clubs to submit articles regarding community service and service leadership projects. An article was sent in from our club highlighting the 1993 playground equipment dedication at Kellogg Park, and the dedication of a bench in the park in memory of our 56-year club member, Isaac Young. All we can do is hope that our article is chosen to be included in the book.

2023 MO-ARK District Service Project

First Lady Pat Ockert has selected the Arkansas Children's Hospital as the District's service project for 2023. She is asking clubs to donate books suitable for children ranging in age from infants to teens. Children who are patients or who have an appointment at the hospital are given the opportunity to select a book to take home with them.

These books can be given to Governor Roy Ockert when he comes for an official visit or they can be taken to the Educational Leadership Conference in March or the Convention in August.

