



We accomplished much in 2022-23

President Limback looks back on a successful year for Kiwanis

I've had the great pleasure of serving as your President. I didn't know exactly what I was doing or getting into at first. In fact, some days I'm still a little bit unsure what to do. I want to thank Clyde, Janet, John, Dale and a host of others for answering my questions and not looking at me like I've lost my mind when I suggested something. I also want to thank the Board of Directors for giving me enough leeway to try some different things and do some experimenting with the meetings. I hope you had as much fun as I did.

Looking back, I would like to go over some accomplishments from this past Kiwanis year. We have moved to having evening meetings (socials) on the last Tuesday of the month. That appears to be a wonderful success. If you haven't had the chance to attend one of these social events, please do so. I think everyone who has would agree that it has given everyone a chance to know their fellow Kiwanis's and their families in a different way. We have also had some members bring prospective Kiwanians to the social events and give the prospects a way to meet us in a very informal manner. I'm hoping this is something that we can continue.

Last month we pushed the envelope with this concept and did a road trip to Kingdom City to visit Missouri Girls Town. I think it is a very powerful message when we can visualize what the funds we raise can impact a child's future. I want to thank Deanna for taking us on a tour and organizing the trip. Later this month, we are going to do a tour of City of Refuge and look at their new facility as part of our social night out.

We are a service club. I would be remiss to not mention some of the organizations and events that we participated in this year.



- The Food Bank of Central Missouri has been a monthly labor of love. I'm glad that we didn't have to do any hot dogs.
- The staff at First Chance for Children has had us fold and sort diapers and other supplies.
- Walked in the City of Columbia Christmas Parade with K-Kids.

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Columbia Kiwanis Club served the community well

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- The Salvation Army allowed us to ring bells and help with their annual fundraiser.
- Numerous members served food to parents at Benton Elementary one evening so the staff could go over the MAP test with the parents.
- Sponsored and manned a station for the City of Columbia's Ride Walk and Bike week.

I have no idea of the total hours that our members have volunteered with our SLPs. Numerous hours were spent on them with our members. Thank you to everyone that has helped with these programs

Speaking of Service Leadership Programs (SLP),

did you know that we have the following programs that we sponsor: Action Club, Benton Terrific Kids, Benton K-Kids, Derby Ridge K-Kids, Oakland Builders Club, Smithton Builders Club, Hickman Key Club, Univ of Missouri CKI. Everyone who helps and supports these groups should take a bow, especially Jack Meinenbach. Your willingness to volunteer with the youth of Columbia is something that we should all take notice of.

We have continued some of traditional events such as honoring a Teacher of the Month. Thank you Jack Miles for continuing spearheading this award.

Eric Cunningham led another successful Don Faurot Award winner ceremony this year. I think our winner's speech really struck home with the Kiwanis message of serving youth.

Our Pancake Day was a success. I appreciate everyone that helped. This is one of the few events that the entire Columbia community participates in. Interacting with the other Kiwanis clubs is also a lot of fun. I'm also looking forward to our First Kiwanis



[Kiwansians visited Girls Town and received a big thanks for our donation](#)

Kutest Kritter Kontest. Thank you to Cecilia and her group for getting this together for the month of September.

Of course, I would be remiss if I didn't mention all the money that was raised to give out to organizations that serve the youth of Boone County. \$22,500 was donated to 26 different organizations. I know that goes a long way with helping the youth of tomorrow.

Meetings and speakers — we have had quite a few. Some highlights included Miss Missouri, a researcher with Mizzou's nuclear reactor, Boone County Assessor, a couple of speakers on aging and exercise, someone to speak about financial fraud, a baseball minor league manager in the St. Louis Cardinal organization and our share of non-profit organization who do wonderful things in the community. I hope you enjoyed them as I have.

I am sure that I have forgotten something or someone. Please accept my apologies. It has been a pleasure serving as your Kiwanis President. Thank you for helping make this past year a success.

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Aug - Sept Club Calendar

Aug. 8 - Regular noon meeting at Rock Bridge HyVee.

Aug. 15 - Joint meeting of area Kiwanis Clubs with district governor. Noon at Olivet Church

Aug. 19 — Kiwanis One Day work projects with Habitat for Humanity.

Aug. 22 - Regular noon meeting at Rock Bridge HyVee. Official club meeting to elect officers. Board of directors meeting immediately after.

Aug. 29 - 6 p.m. Social gathering tour of City of Refuge. Dinner follows.

Sept. 5 - Regular noon meeting at Rock Bridge HyVee.

Sept. 12 - Regular noon meeting at Rock Bridge HyVee.

Sept. 19 - Regular noon meeting at Rock Bridge HyVee. Board of directors meeting immediately after.

Sept. 26 - Annual installation dinner.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Jack Miles	Aug 21
Martha Kleinhesselink	Aug 23
Gary Smith	Aug 23
Ernest Hilderbrand	Sept 5
Emily Bagwell	Sept 6
Dennis Kastens	Sept 25
Deb Stidham	Sept 28
Paul Land	Sept 29

Anniversaries

Jack & Terry Meinzenbach	8/14
Gary & Carol Smith	8/18
Jason & Pat Simmons	8/29
Ernie & Angela Lee	9/13
Lucas & Tamra Redburn	9/13
Charlie & Carol Lee	10/5
Martha Kleinhesselink	10/8

Clubs will gather 8/15 to hear Gov. Ockert

The nine clubs of Region II of the Mo-Ark Division of Kiwanis will meet together Aug. 15 in Columbia to hear District Governor Roy Ockert.

The joint meeting will be at noon at Olivet Christian Church and will take the place of our regular Tuesday meeting.

The church is five miles east of Columbia on Highway WW — which is east on Broadway.

A brisket lunch is available for \$18 per person. If you do not want to eat, the cost is \$5.

Lt. Gov. David Mast asks that participants wear their Kiwanis pins and award medals.

Metcalf steps up to fill out the slate of officers for 2024

Past president Dale Metcalf came out of retirement to complete the slate of officers for next year.

Metcalf volunteered to take the president-elect position for 2023-24. Although the president elect often steps up to the presidency, he or she also has important roles in the current club year. In addition to backing up the president, the president-elect represents our club on the Pancake Breakfast committee.

Metcalf's nomination will be voted upon at the Aug. 22 meeting.

Current president Lynn Limback also came to the club's rescue by volunteering to serve as treasurer next year.

The full slate includes John Haralson as president and Janet Schisser secretary. Ann Dieterle and Martha Bradley Kleinhesselink will take three-year terms on the club Board of Directors.

“We Build” back as Kiwanis help Habitat for Humanity for One Day

The old Kiwanis slogan “We Build” is back in force this year as the Columbia-area clubs join Habitat for Humanity for a special “blitz build” project.

Habitat for Humanity has set an ambitious goal of building four new homes in 10 days — with the help of people like us.

While Kiwanians are encouraged to join other volunteers working to prepare the site each Monday and Thursday, on Sept. 19 the three Columbia clubs will turn out to help fulfill the dream of good housing for families in need.

Show Me Central Habitat for Humanity typically builds five or six homes a year. Families willing to partner with Habitat can use their labor to qualify for a zero-interest loan to make the house affordable.

This year, Show Me Central was selected as the national Blitz Build Project. That means that volunteers from around the country will gather in Columbia to build four additional homes from the ground up in 10 days.

Kiwanians from the Columbia clubs each year pool their efforts on a single project called One Day. This year, we will pitch in on the Blitz Build.

Sept. 19 is our day to work in a variety of roles — many of which require no building skills or hard physical effort.

The houses are being built at Habitat’s new subdivision, Boone Prairie, located off Brown



Make a donation today!

Volunteers from all over the United States will come together to build 4 houses in 10 days!



Station Road in Columbia. The subdivision will eventually offer affordable housing to 143 families

Taking on the Big Muddy

Sherry Isenhart thrilled the club Aug. 8 when she told of her participation in the Missouri River 340, the longest non-stop river race in the world. Isenhart has participated in the race four times, including this year’s Aug. 1-4 race that was stopped midway by a huge storm that filled the river with logs and debris.

Isenhart did more than thrill the club with her description of paddling the Big Muddy day and night — the talk continued in the parking lot so she could show us her light-weight kayak.



Kiwanis Kutest Kritters to raise money for Kids

Let your favorite pet help kids in Mid-Missouri! The Kiwanis Club of Columbia will sponsor the month-long online "Kutest Kritter Kontest" to raise money to support First Chance for Children and Coyote Hill children's home.

The club fundraising committee, chaired by Cecilia Young, has worked Go Go Photo Contest to produce a unique new fundraising event. Participants pay \$20 to upload a photo of their pet to a special website. Then they, their friends

and pet lovers anywhere donate \$2 for each vote for the "Kutest Kritter." The pet getting the most votes wins a prize package worth more than \$300, with a \$200 package for second place and a \$100 package for third place.

Rules for the contest and information about how to enter your pet are available at:

<https://www.gogophotocontest.com/kiwanisclubofcolumbia>

Kiwanis Kutest Kritter Kontest



Online Pet Photo Contest Fundraiser Sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Columbia to Support First Chance for Children and Coyote Hill



CONTEST DETAILS

- Enter photo / video of any living pet that is a non-human animal. No people in photos, only pets.
- Entries can only be made online and received by 9/30/2023 at 10:00 pm.
- Pet must reside in Audrain, Callaway, Cooper, Moniteau, Boone, Cole, Howard or Randolph counties in Missouri
- Contest Dates: Sept. 1 -30, 2023
- Pet Entry Fee - \$20.00 per pet
- Voting Fees - \$2.00 per vote
- Prizes will be awarded for 1st (\$300 value), 2nd (\$200 value), and 3rd (\$100 value) place vote getters

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