

# The Misprint

The Kiwanis Club of Springfield South

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**Aug. 29, 2023**

Meetings every Thursday at  
noon at Jimmy's Egg,  
3738 S. Campbell

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## Chris Gray's Mission Update

Our guest speaker at the August 24 club meeting was no guest at all, but our own Chris Gray. He was temporarily back in the U.S. from his mission trip to Italy. Chris grew up in Italy, where his parents were also missionaries.

Chris told us about his "relaxing" summer in Europe. It started with him training 5 new missionary teams, one every 5 days. Then, he headed up a Vacation Bible School program for 30 young people in Rome. He must have done a good job, because he was then called upon to run another VBS in Germany. This one was for infants through age 12 and was sponsored by the European version of the Chi Alpha college Christian outreach. Then he was off to Wales for (you guessed it) another VBS program, this time for children in the foster care program. Chris said that, despite being busy, he found all of these camps to be a rewarding experience and he plans to work at the camps in Germany and Wales again next summer.



Chris Gray tells the club about his experiences on his mission to Italy.

Photo by Shane Schoeller

## Service Projects

### August Service Project

During the month of August, we'll be collecting school supplies for the Musgrave Unit of the Boys and Girls Club. The Boys and Girls Club maintains a supply closet to provide their kids with needed school supplies year round. Items needed include pencils and pens, loose leaf notebook paper, erasers, glue sticks, spiral bound notebooks, and report folders.

### Ozarks Literacy Council Trivia Night

At the August 24 meeting the club voted to increase this year's annual donation to the Ozarks Literacy Council from \$500 to \$800. This allows the club to sponsor a table for the OLC Trivia Night fundraising event on October 10 from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Oasis Convention Center. So we'll be looking for 8 players from the club for a night of fun and trivia (paid for by the club). Contact John O'Donnell if you'd like to participate.



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volunteers dedicated to improving the  
world, one child and one community  
at a time.**

# Club Business

## Annual Officer Installation and Awards Banquet

Mark your calendars! The club's annual Officer Installation and Awards Banquet has been scheduled for the evening of Thursday, Sept. 28, and will be held at the Greene County Election Center. Further details will be announced as they become available. This will take the place of our regular noon meeting that week.

## Aktion Club Advisor Needed

Ralph Baldi says he feels he needs to step back from being Kiwanis Advisor to our Aktion Club, so we will be needing a volunteer to fill that role. The Kiwanis Advisor will act as a liason between our club and the Aktion Club, keeping us informed on what the Aktion Club is doing and how we can best support them.

## Upcoming Programs

- Aug. 31 - Miller Park Playground Update
- Sept. 7 - Walt Cameron, Honor Flight of the Ozarks
- Sept. 14 - Dr. John Marshall, author "Lincoln and Christianity: Essays on Lincoln's Religious Life"
- Sept. 21 - No program scheduled
- Sept. 28 - Annual Officer Installation and Awards Banquet

## Weekly 50/50 Drawing

Nobody won the 50/50 drawing at last week's meeting, so the pot increases to \$72.00.

# Kiwanis Community

## Joys and Prayers

Congratulations to Bill Davidson, who celebrated his 90th birthday on August 24.

## Kiwanis Corner

The Kiwanis family includes five service organizations and three recognition or leadership development programs: Kiwanis Kids (for primary school students ages 6-12), Bring Up Grades (grade recognition program for primary school students ages 6-12), Terrific Kids (recognition program for primary school students ages 6-12), Builders Club (for middle school students ages 11-14), Key Club (for secondary school students ages 14-18), Key Leader (leadership weekend for 14-18 year olds), Circle K International (for college and university students), and Aktion Club (for adults living with disabilities).

## Thought for the Week

Maya Angelou said: "To make a difference is not a matter of accident, a matter of casual occurrence, of the tides. People choose to make a difference." Kiwanis makes a difference. Nor are we Kiwanians by accident, we have chosen to make a difference one child and one community at a time.