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2025 - 2026 Officers & Directors

Happy Kiwanis New Year! 🎉 We are looking forward to 2025 - 2026 and serving one Child and one Community at a Time.

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"Building Tomorrow, Today: Empowering Young Leaders for a Brighter World"

Good evening, friends, fellow Kiwanians, and honored guests.

It is a privilege to stand before you tonight as the incoming president of our club. I want to begin by expressing my heartfelt thanks to our outgoing leadership, especially Barb, who has really helped keep me prepared for my year as your club President, as well as Joe, Chandra, Chad, and many others on our board in our club who have spent countless hours of selfless work to guide us with dedication and vision. I also want to thank and recognize our members, whose service is the heartbeat of this club, and to my family and friends for their unwavering support.

We, our Jackson Kiwanis Club, are part of a remarkable organization. Kiwanis is more than meetings and fundraisers — it's a movement. A movement of people who believe that service to others is not just important... It's essential.

This year, our theme is:

"Building Tomorrow, Today: Empowering Young Leaders for a Brighter World."

Why this theme? Because we hear it all the time: "Children are our future." It's a nice phrase, but it's not just a saying — it's a responsibility. That, and well, we need more young people in our club, of course.

We can take two approaches to the challenges in our communities:

- We can react after problems arise.
- Or... we can act now, with foresight, to equip the next generation to lead with strength, compassion, and vision.

That's why Kiwanis invests in **Service Leadership Programs** — Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids, Circle K, Aktion Club — programs that don't just serve kids, but empower them to serve others.

When we teach a child to lead, we don't just change their life. We change the lives they will go on to touch — in their schools, their neighborhoods, and their future careers. We create ripples that spread farther than we may ever see.

We are not just solving problems today. We are preventing problems tomorrow.

This year, I want us to think boldly. I want us to be bold in our service — to see the potential in every child, and to give them the tools, mentorship, and encouragement they need.

Let's measure our success not just by the number of projects we complete, or the money we donate, but by the lives we shape... the confidence we build... and the leaders we help launch into the world.

Jackson Kiwanians, we have an incredible opportunity before us. Together, let's commit to **building tomorrow, today**. Because when we invest in children, we invest in stronger communities, a healthier society, and a brighter, more hopeful world.

Thank you for trusting me with the honor of leading our club. I'm excited for what we will accomplish together — for our community, for our children, and for the future we're building, starting today.

In service and gratitude,



President, Kiwanis Club of Jackson

Installation Dinner Celebration



Hixson Fellowship Awarded to Mike Zuchowski

Mike Zuchowski has been honored with the Distinguished Service Award in recognition of his exceptional service and dedication to both our club and the Jackson community.

Throughout his time with us, Mike has held various leadership roles, including President, Lt. Governor, and temporary Treasurer. He has been actively involved in every Kiwanis project undertaken by our club. Congratulations to Mike on this well-deserved honor!



Marc Daly Inducted as New Member

We are excited to welcome Marc Daly as a new member to our club. Marc is the new Morning Show Radio Personality on WKHM and is a realtor for Coldwell Banker Beiswanger Group. Marc is sponsored by Joe Wolfe. We are looking forward to working alongside Marc at our many upcoming Kiwanis events.

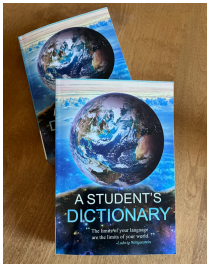


YMCA TOUR

The Kiwanis Kid Zone is available from morning to night and currently serves approximately 250 children each week. This is expected to grow to nearly 400 per week in the winter months. The program serves a diverse population, including families with the most need.



Dictionaries Stamped & Delivered



Kiwanis volunteers delivered 935 dictionaries to 24 Jackson County Schools. A huge thank you to all who helped!

Stan Mazur always enjoys delivering dictionaries to 3rd graders. This year he delivered books to Parnall, Warner, and Queens elementary schools. He likes to engage the students with treats enticing them to look up words, challenging the boys against the girls. Great work Stan!



Parnall Elementary



Warner Elementary



Queens

Annual Kiwanis Halloween Party



Under the leadership of Reg Fennell, things are falling into place for our annual Halloween event. On Friday, October 31, 2025, from 6-8 pm, members and friends will once again distribute candy, 30 gallons of cider, and 60 dozen of the famous Hinkley doughnuts at Kiwanis Park, located on the corner of N Elm Avenue and Blakey Street. Everyone in the community is welcome to stop by for treats.

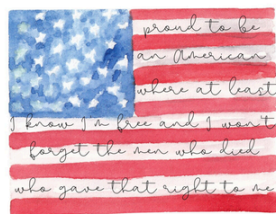
A sign-up sheet will be passed around for the next several weeks for anyone wishing to volunteer for this very fun activity. Please direct any questions to Reg Fennell or Therese Hesslau.

Western High School Key Club News



At a recent Western High School Key Club meeting, plans were being made for the collection of canned goods for local pantries.

*There is still time
to submit your
flag photo!*



October Calendar of Events

Wednesday, October 1 - Zoom Board Meeting. All members are welcome to attend.

Friday, October 3 - Chandra Howard
Budget Meeting

Friday, October 10 - Chandra Howard
Youth Protection Training

Wednesday, October 15 - Zoom Board Meeting at Noon. All members are welcome.

Friday, October 17 - Catherine B.
Challenge Day

Friday, October 24 - Scott Greenlee
Kiwanis Children's Fund

Friday, October 31 - NO MEETING

**Kiwanis Halloween Party @ Kiwanis
Park**



Our mission is to provide adults living with disabilities an opportunity to use their abilities, develop leadership skills and serve their communities.



Dave Mahon	2
Phil Berkemeier	12
Mary Berkemeier	16
Erin Mazur	20



Halloween on Farmlane Community Trick-or-Treat | Facebook



Key Club is a student-led, high school organization. Our members make the world a better place through service. In doing so, we grow as individuals and as leaders by answering the call to lead, summoning the courage to engage and developing the heart to serve.