



Buckeye Bulletin

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Ohio Recognized as a Distinguished District by Circle K International!

The Circle K International Convention was held in July and the Ohio District was recognized in multiple categories. Our collegiate group works hard and it is exciting to see their efforts recognized.

2021-2022 Ohio Circle K Recognitions

Distinguished District

Outstanding Signature Project: 3rd Place: Service Extravaganza, The Ohio State University

Outstanding Single Service Project: 3rd Place: The Ohio State University

Outstanding Club Achievement: Bronze category: 1st Place: Baldwin Wallace College

(Growth Enhances Membership) G.E.M. Award: Ruby Division 3rd Place: Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Distinguished Governor: Ryan Bolin, Baldwin Wallace University

Circle K Hall of Fame: Colton Morton, University of Cincinnati

Distinguished International Chairperson: Annamarie McGuire, Bowling Green State University

Distinguished District Chair: Alexis Aldhizer, Bowling Green State University

Distinguished Secretary-Treasurer: Hannah Riley, Capital University

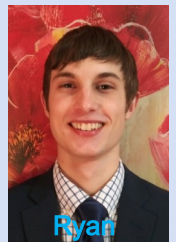
Distinguished District Editor: Alexis Aldhizer, Bowling Green University

Elected to office of International Trustee: Hannah Riley, Capital University

Distinguished District Administrator: Chad Gardner

Jason Stewart, former Circle K Governor and International President from Ohio was also named Distinguished Administrator for the Minnesota-Dakota District.

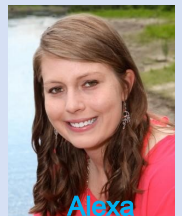
Circle K is the collegiate branch of the Kiwanis Family of servant leaders. For information regarding this amazing group of students, please visit their booth at the Kiwanis Convention or email Chad Gardner at admin@ohiocki.org



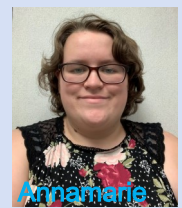
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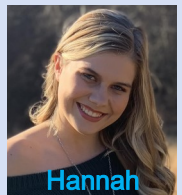
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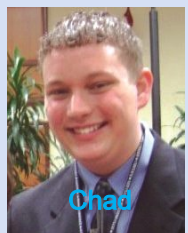
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Annamarie



Hannah



Chad

From the Secretary's Desk

It feels to me like summer had only just begun, and yet here we are a few short weeks away from school returning, from our annual convention gathering, and from losing daylight well into the evening. I have certainly enjoyed some mini-getaways, afternoons at the pool, cook-outs with friends, and evening campfire stargazing. I've also enjoyed the planning for a new administrative year that's set to begin in less than sixty days. Has your club also been busy at work preparing for a new administration?

This is the time to be performing member satisfaction surveys, a community analysis, officer and chair education, budgeting, and goal setting for the next year. There are plenty of resources available at [**Achieving Club Excellence \(kiwanis.org\)**](http://AchievingClubExcellence(kiwanis.org)) and via your Lt. Governor or the District Office to assist you and your club with any of this. And while it's imperative that each club plan these things together, it's also important for each of us as a member to make an individual plan. Maybe we can plan to perform a certain number of service hours, or donate a certain amount to various causes, or invite a certain person(s) to enjoy a Kiwanis experience.

I have to say, we've done rather well with membership recruitment this year. Worthy of noting is that we've done it by and large without opening a significant number of new clubs, or creating any grand mechanisms to grow. That's not to say that those things aren't important, or that we won't do them. It's to say that what works best for growing Kiwanis is the simplest and easiest thing to do...just ask. Kudos to all of you around Ohio this year who asked someone to join. Maybe they said no, or not now, but you asked. Keep asking. I know many who have joined after being asked a half dozen or more times.

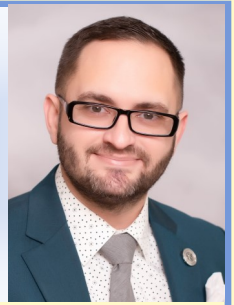
Enjoy what's left of summer. Take time to recharge yourself for the work ahead. I think that's solid advice and some that I'll heed myself.

District Secretary

Jim Janosik

[**ExecutiveDirector@ohiokiwanis.org**](mailto:ExecutiveDirector@ohiokiwanis.org)

Book a time to meet with me at calendly.com/jimjanosik



The Ohio District of Kiwanis is the largest single-state district in North America. We are excited to welcome new members to the Ohio District. We encourage each member to participate in inter-clubs, division council meetings, MidYear Education Day, District and International Conventions. We encourage all members to sign up to receive the [Buckeye Bulletin](#), it takes just a few moments to help them keep informed of all the news in our district. Again, *welcome to the wonderful world and work of KIWANIS!*

Name	Club	Name	Club
Krista Brown	Salineville	Lisa Jackson	Zanesville
Terry Utt	Salineville	Gina Sanders	Mason
Matthew Watson	Salineville	Joseph Jenkins	Beavercreek
Phillip Pillin	Boardman-Youngstown	Ashlee Hammond	Dayton
Doug Mader	Coldwater	Selena Busching	Findlay
Rita Riethman	Coldwater	Abbie Acord	Findlay
Mark Morris	Troy	John Lacy	Warren
Claire Corcoran	East Fork Region	Marla Jo Cooley	Southern Hills Region
Steven Daily	Alliance	Daniel Burns	Greater Euclid
Deborah Patterson	Middletown	Nora Boyles	Steubenville
Marty Eritano	Barberton		

Have news to share?

The Buckeye Bulletin is always looking to share good news about the terrific service that our clubs are doing. To share your club's story in the Buckeye Bulletin, please submit an attached photo of your club members in action. A brief description of the project and who will be benefitting from the activity should be included. If this is a signature project or a new project, that information should be included as well. <https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/district-news/>

You never know, your project could inspire another club in the district to do something similar in their community. We are also interested in your Service Leadership Program clubs' activities since they often do amazing projects with minimal resources available to them.

Governor

Craig Smith

Governor@ohiokiwanis.org



Continuing to Give A Little Bit ...

In a few very short weeks our school-based Service Leadership Program club members will be returning for their summer breaks. Over the past two months they've worked summer jobs, attended camps, and taken trips. And of course some have attended one or more Kiwanis Family International Conventions.

For us it's time to Give A Little Bit ...

of Our Time. We need to be actively engaged with our Service Leadership Program clubs to thrive. The only way for a Kiwanis Club to build a strong a lasting bind with a Service Leadership Program club is to spend time with them. Every minute spent with a Service Leadership Program club is time well spent.

of Ourselves. We are the mentors, guides, and teachers for Service Leadership Program club members. We have a lifetime of experience that can help guide their decision making as they develop their plans for the new school year, create new fundraisers, and explore new service projects. We should be there for their meetings and projects. Next winter and spring, after they select their leaders for the next year, we should be there to help them prepare for their roles as club President, Division Lt. Governor, or club board member.

of Our Compassion. By simply giving our time and of ourselves we're giving our compassion. Things won't always go the way our Service Leadership Program clubs want or expect. We need to be there to encourage them to keep trying and not be discouraged that things didn't go as hoped. And when they do go well, we should celebrate their success, not just with them, but with our own clubs as well.

We all remember a teacher, coach, or volunteer that made a difference for us when we were young. They gave us a little bit of their time, themselves, their compassion of others. Someone that had faith in us when others doubted us, encouraged us when we doubted ourselves, challenged to achieve more than we thought we could, quietly beamed with delight when we succeeded. They invested in us; as Kiwanians we should do the same.

Club and Division Announcements

If your club or division is having an event which is open to other members, and you would like us to share the information in the Buckeye Bulletin, please complete this [informational form](#), so we can share a brief description with members seeking information.

Kiwanis Club of Dublin 5th Annual Past Governor Golf Outing: August 5th, \$85 per golfer, includes green fees, cart, and buffet. Hole sponsorships available for \$50. 4 Person Scramble, registration starts at noon, 1:00 PM start. Team and individual prizes. Additional information www.Dublin-OH.KIWANISONE.org or 614-203-5706

The **Kiwanis Club of Northmont** is hosting their quarterly food and blood drives at the Meadowbrook at Clayton. How do you schedule your appointment? 1. Go to: https://donortime.com/donor/schedules/name_2. Type "Kiwanis" In the NAME field 3. **Select 08/11/2022** as the Start & End Dates 4. Select your donation time *You will be prompted to sign in or create an account. We will also be collecting non-perishable food and personal care items for our blessing boxes throughout the community.

Springfield Kiwanis Jazz and Blues music festival: August 19-20 in downtown Springfield. Sixteen national, regional and local jazz and blues artists will be converging onto the Springfield scene for what will be the coolest free event to hit the Miami Valley in years. Featuring the likes of the John Pizzarelli trio, vocal sensation Samara Joy, blues legend Marquis Knox, organ jazz virtuoso Bobby Floyd, and the incomparable Springfield Symphony Jazz Orchestra. <https://www.springfieldjazzbluesfest.com/>

Kirtland Kiwanis Golf Outing, August 28th at Legends Lake. 1:00 PM T-Time. Lunch and Dinner included in event fees. Contact Mike Sams at 216-244-7335. All proceeds will support the Kirtland Kiwanis Scholarship Program.

Fourth annual Lima Kiwanis Howl'oween Trick or Trot 5K Run/Walk & Virtual Pet Contest, October 30. Benefits SLP's and local pet welfare agencies. Registration and additional information can be [found here](#). Club contact is [Robert Day Jr.](#)



To Our Amazing Event Sponsors

The generosity of the many sponsors we have in the Ohio District help offset the expenses of our events. By either purchasing a program ad for one of our SLP events or stepping up to help underwrite the cost of our District Conventions or Mid-Year Conference, they help keep events affordable while ensuring quality programming for our membership. We would like to express our gratitude to the following donors:

Ohio District Kiwanis Convention,

August 12-14, 2022

Champion Sponsor (\$100)

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Dick Brulotte, Aktion Club Administrator

Kiwanis Club of East Fork Region

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Margaret Lee, University of Cincinnati Circle K

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If you are interested in becoming an event sponsor, information regarding upcoming district events may be located on the Ohio District Kiwanis website: <https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/> Simply click on the drop down menu under "Events." Current sponsorship opportunities include [Circle K Fall Rally](#) and the ["Giving Tree"](#) for the District Office support.

Ohio District Circle K Fall Rally Sponsors

"Capture the Flag" Sponsors

Jason D. Miller, 21-22 ODKF President

Amy Zimmerman, UC CKI Alumni/KCF President-Elect

Craig Smith, 2020-2021 Governor, Ohio District Kiwanis



Club Leadership Education

There is one remaining Ohio District Certified Leadership Education session for all club officers in-person on Friday of District Convention. The session will be about three and half hours in length.

Friday, August 12 1:30 pm Certified Leadership Education for all Club Leaders (in-person at Wooster Campus Conference Center, The Ohio State University, CFAES Wooster Campus, 1680 Madison Avenue, Wooster OH 44691) - [Click here to register](#)

Lanton Lee

**Club Leadership
Development Chair**

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Leadership Guides for Club officers were distributed to clubs in attendance at the 2022 MidYear Education Day, with Lt. Governor's distributing to clubs not in attendance. If you have not received your printed copies, please contact your Lt. Governor. You can [download a digital copy here](#).

Kiwanis International Club Leadership Education Sessions

Kiwanis International will offer virtual Club Leadership Education (CLE) for the 2022-23 Club Officers as a supplement to our district's CLE training. If you were unable to attend one of our Ohio District virtual sessions in June or July, you are welcome to attend the virtual CLE supplemental training live via Zoom or watch the recording on demand. These sessions will provide foundational training for each position, cover role expectations and the resources available. There will be a few moments at the end to answer any questions. Each session will run 75 to 90 minutes. The Ohio District will offer some one hour follow sessions in late August and early September for anyone who attends these sessions to cover District specific information and resources.

Monday, August 1 8:00 pm – Club Presidents

Tuesday, August 2 8:00 pm – Club Secretaries

Wednesday, August 3 8:00 pm – Club Treasurers

Thursday, August 4 8:00 pm – Membership Committee

You must register to attend live or receive the recording. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Registration will close one hour before the start of the session. A recording will be made available within one week to all who register.

CLUB LEADERSHIP DISTRICT INFORMATION SESSIONS

The Ohio District is offering follow-up District Information Sessions for any 2022-23 Club Officer that attends one of the Kiwanis International Club Leadership Education sessions listed above. These sessions will provide district specific information, resources and provide you an opportunity to ask any questions. The sessions will be virtual via Zoom and one hour in length. To register for one of the sessions please click on the links below.

Monday, August 22 8:00 pm - District Information Session for 2022-23 Club Officers - [Click here to register on Zoom](#)

Tuesday, August 30 5:00 pm – District Information Session for 2022-23 Club Officers - [Click here to register on Zoom](#)

Wednesday, September 7 8:00 pm – District Information Session for 2022-23 Club Officers - [Click here to register on Zoom](#)

Thursday, September 8 12:00 pm – District Information Session for 2022-23 Club Officers - [Click here to register on Zoom](#)

Prepare to Lead!

Aktion Club "FLIES" At Recent Leadership & Education Day

Richard Brulotte, Aktion Club Administrator

After the cancellation of the 2020 Ohio Aktion Club conference and the 2021 event becoming virtual, the 2022 Leadership & Education Day returned to being in-person. The annual conference, held at Westerville Central High School, celebrated this year's theme - "I Believe I Can Fly". Twelve Ohio Aktion Clubs were in attendance and included our three newest clubs from Columbiana, Clermont, and Ashtabula Counties. 110 enthusiastic Aktion Club members, Advisors, Kiwanians and guests greeted one another and enjoyed the day-long event.

Host Club for this year was The Aktion Club of Knox County. Club members opened the morning session, followed by a welcome from Westerville Mayor, Diane Conley. For the first time, ALL of Ohio's K-Family Governors - Kiwanis Governor Craig Smith with Governor-Elect Dave Kuhn, CKI Governor Margaret Lee, and Key Club Governor Giovanni Stabile -- extended warm welcomes along with our ODKF President, Jason Miller.

Highlighting the opening session was the keynote address, "Kickin' It With Caden" featuring Caden Cox and his dad, Kevin. Caden made history this past Fall by being the first football player with Down's syndrome ever to play on any NCAA campus. Featured on ESPN, Caden is a place kicker for the Hocking College "Hawks" in Nelsonville. Along with his dad, Kevin, Caden shared how he set high goals and worked to achieve them. As a sophomore at Hocking College, Caden has already set his next goal and hopes it might be going to OSU where he wants to play football for -- none other than -- Ryan Day! Knowing Caden, he will make that dream come true.



The rest of the day was filled with workshops, a service fair with new projects Aktion Clubs might adopt and perhaps team up with their sponsoring Kiwanis Clubs. After lunch, attendees took a musical break. Zayne Harshaw, lead guitarist for his band, Blue Spectrum, demonstrated his musical talents, including the ability to play a variety of guitars along with his recent venture into singing. His opening number was "I Believe I Can Fly", the inspiration for this year's theme. Along with mom, Gwendolyn and dad, Gene, Zayne shared how he overcame autism to teach himself how to play guitar at the age of 14 and go on to start his own band. Needless to say, wannabe groupies all crowded around him for autographs and pictures.

The afternoon session included a paper airplane contest to see how well Aktion Club members can "fly" as well as information about this year's upcoming Kiwanis International Aktion Club Awards and Recognition Program and how members and clubs can submit entries.

Capping the day, was the presentation of awards. "Awesome Member" awards were presented to Aktion Club members nominated by Columbiana and Licking County Advisors for going above and beyond this year. Awards to "Awesome Facility Advisors" were presented to Marta Mohr of Seneca County Opportunity Center, David McManus of Licking County, and Michelle Sharratt of Medina County. Licking County Kiwanis Advisors -- Jennifer Lewis, Alice Lewis, Mike Wesley and Gary Wimer all received "Awesome Kiwanis Advisor" awards. Final presentation of the day was the "Tom E. Crawford Service Award" sponsored by The All Ohio e-Medina Kiwanis Club along with the Crawford Family. This year's award presented to an outstanding club went to The Knox County Aktion Club.

Thanks goes to the 12 "Aktion Champion" sponsors who supported this event and enabled us to keep registration costs to a minimum. The event could not have been possible without the assistance of the Jim and Sarah from the Ohio District Office. In addition, thanks go to volunteers from the Delaware Evening Kiwanis, various Aktion Club advisors and Kiwanis members who assisted throughout the day as workshop facilitators and paper airplane contest supervisors, and the Westerville Central Key Clubbers who assisted throughout the day. Last, but not least, final thanks goes to James Minter of the Westerville Kiwanis Club for helping us secure Westerville Central High School as our site for this year's conference. Plans are already underway for next year's Aktion Club Leadership and Education Day set for July 22, 2023. Hope to see you ALL there!



District Service Chair
Steve Vrooman
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Community Service That Is Good ... For All Involved

Continuing education is good for the teacher and for the student. Continuing Education classes keep one's mind sharp and, for the teachers, provides service to the community. The learner gains new knowledge and/or skills and the teacher feels good about helping to pass along knowledge and/or skills. The interaction between the teacher and the learner is an important

part of our social makeup and maintaining our mental agility.

There are a variety of ways your Kiwanis club can be involved in continuing education. The settings are different for every community but the offerings are similar across the state. Local public school districts, private schools, colleges/universities, parks and recreation departments, senior centers, and literacy centers are some examples of promising venues and sponsors. For the learner, classes can be taken for the enjoyment of learning new skills, personal enrichment and growth, and increasing one's knowledge in an area of interest.

Participation in continuing education programs allows community members to learn new skills and, for teachers/presenters, the opportunities to hone their skills as they prepare to teach others. This is a great chance for Kiwanis-member teachers to share their passions about a particular subject or activity, and, if one's forte isn't teaching, to be the learner. If members are not retired, the break from the day-to-day work routine is good for one's own mental health.

Class offerings *include* dance, music, theater, games, art, crafts, exercise, tax preparation/finance, photography, local history, languages, computer skills, cooking, and writing. The list is limited only by the skills and interests represented in the Kiwanis club. Contact the organization that fits your club's interest, to offer your Kiwanis club's members as teachers. The Junior Achievement (JA) program frequently needs teachers. The JA program works with all grade levels in subjects from general career education through job-specific classes and programs.

Kiwanis clubs can develop their own seminars and sessions to teach fun and mind-challenging lessons/subjects. The comprehensiveness of the activities will determine how quickly the program can be implemented.

When seeking out continuing education opportunities, let your club's skill sets and time constraints guide decisions. Stick to subjects you're comfortable with — better yet, certified or otherwise credentialed in — and avoid overwhelming time commitments.

Support your Kiwanis club's members and provide community service by making a connection with a continuing education program. It's good for all involved.

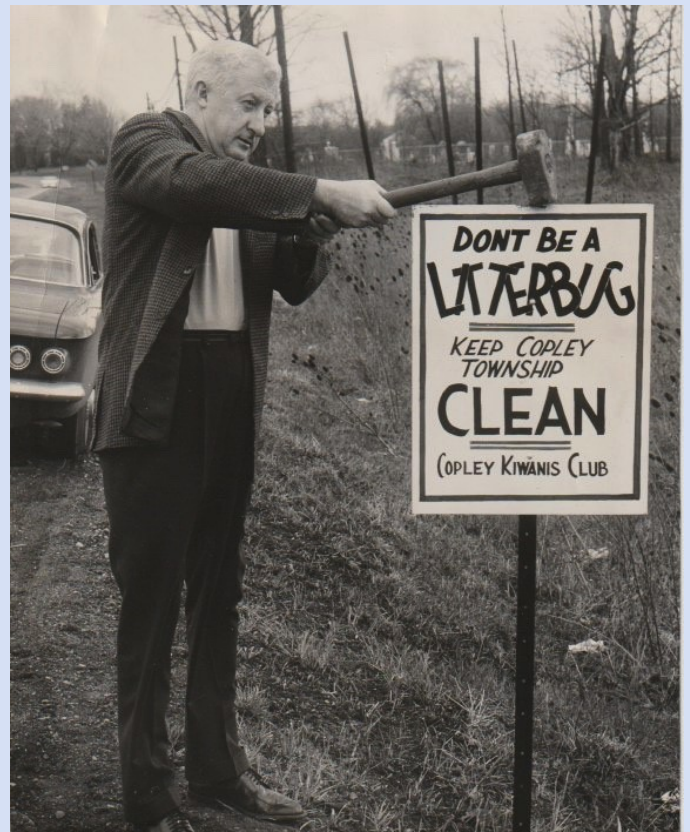
FLASH-BACK PHOTO

Sometime in the mid 1960's, Edward Freeman of the Copley Kiwanis Club pounds a sign alongside the roadway as a reminder to not litter along a local road. ***Special Thanks to Jon Freeman of the Portage Lakes Kiwanis for this photo of his late grandfather.***

Kiwanis Family Members are still working on this project since many clubs sponsor stretches of road and waterways for cleanup.

If you have an interesting photograph of historical significance or an item from your clubs' history, we would like to see a photograph of it and hear a bit of the story behind it.

The Ohio District Kiwanis Office has a fairly large collection of Kiwanis District archive materials as well as personal memorabilia collected by the Executive Director and Administrative Secretary over the years.





**A-Ticket, A-Tasket, Donate a Basket
(To the OFKF Basket Auction)**

Rita Corbin, Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, Basket Room Chair

Our District Convention will be in a couple weeks. As basket room chair, I would be ecstatic if we received a basket from every club in our district. Just think how much money could be raised for the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation general fund. (Which would provide even more grants for the clubs in Ohio!)

I hope all the clubs in Ohio are sending reps to DCON, but if not, clubs can still donate a basket. If for some reason your club is not being represented, you can contact your Lt Governor or another club in your division to possibly deliver your basket to the convention.

You say you need ideas for a basket? Here's a few ideas; you can always think outside of the box...



- First Aide Basket
- Gift bag & Wrapping Paper Basket
- Cleaning Basket
- Gift Card Tree
- Relax Basket
- Themed Basket
- Wedding Basket
- Baby shower gift Basket
- Activity Basket
- Chocolate Lover Basket
- Back-to-School Basket
- Craft Themed Basket
- Chemo Comfort Basket

- Dog or Cat Basket
- Cooking Basket
- Car Kit Basket
- Lottery Tree
- Snack Basket
- Town Showcase Basket
- Golf Themed Basket
- Quilt or Woodcrafts
- Coffee Lover Basket
- Picnic or Charcuterie Themed Items
- Celebration or Holiday Themed basket
- Last Minute Dinner Basket
- Greeting Card and Stamp Basket
- Chocolate Lovers Basket
- Coffee Lovers Basket
- Genre Themed Book Basket
- Musical Themed Basket
- Quilt or Wreaths



The list can go on and on. You can always google gift basket ideas. If you have any questions about basket room or help with a basket, please feel free to shoot me an **email** or call at 614-507-1364.



In addition to donations, we will also need buyers for these treasurers. A perfect opportunity to do a bit of early holiday shopping, of gifts for special people, including yourself!



The service project for the District Convention is supporting the Circle K service project! Their Fall Rally will be held at Camp O'Bannon, a camp for underserved children in Licking County. This camp provides a full week of fun for children who have been recommended to the camp by either a school counselor or Children's Services. In order to help the camp, the Circle K students are helping to collect items which are constantly needed by the campers. The items they are focusing on are new or *gently* used swimsuits and tennis shoes which range in sizes to fit children from age 9 to adults.

The Circle K students will be collecting items at their table at the Kiwanis District Convention.

Collected items will be delivered to the camp by the Ohio District

Circle K board to replace worn out items the camp currently has in stock. Your contributions will make a difference for a Kid at Camp!



This really could be the coolest summer of the rest of your life.

The headline stopped me in my tracks. *This could be the coolest summer of the rest of your life.* Then, under the headline: *Summer began with an oppressive heat wave. Get used to it.*

By the time I found this story (on the news website Vox.com) we had already seen temperatures in the mid-90s in Ohio – and 100-degree-plus temperatures had already covered large portions of the United States. At the same time, an unprecedented heat wave settled over Europe. Temperature records in excess of 103 degrees blanketed London and the United Kingdom.

Weather records show heat waves have consistently increased in frequency, intensity and duration since the 1960s. What if the headline turns out to be true? What if future summers make us look back at summer 2022 as the last “cool” summer of our lives?

One thing states and localities will need to do is make more shelters available for vulnerable people, because extreme hot weather kills. People without access to air conditioning, especially the elderly and chronically ill, are at severe risk.

This trend in a changing climate also suggests that the forces bringing unprecedented heat to the northern reaches of Europe are not finished with changes to the other three seasons. The forces that are unleashing fires and floods and destructive storms are likely to continue. For our part of the world, think of extremely heavy rain, powerful storms, floods, windstorms and tornadoes.

These weather events require emergency response followed by months of work to deal with injuries and destruction. Ohio District Kiwanis Governor Craig Smith’s 2021-2022 Governor’s Project has been aimed at helping Kiwanis Clubs learn how to contribute to the work that follows a local or regional disaster. Most important: invite representatives of your local disaster response agency and the Red Cross to your club. Learn what you can do and what training is required. Also important: support the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation’s disaster relief fund, which responds with grants to local clubs when disaster strikes.

The ODKF fund was very important to us in the Dayton region when 20 tornadoes struck on Memorial Day, 2019. ODKF grants made a difference for hard-hit neighborhoods.

Sorry to say it, but more of the same may be on the way in the years ahead. That’s why it’s important to support the Governor’s Project now. As Governor Craig Smith puts it, *“Never underestimate the impact of a disaster.”*



Marcia Copeland Hudson
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Membership Updates for July

The Ohio District membership is currently at 6,077, showing a net growth of 269 members since October 1st. While we slipped a bit in July, we are optimistic we can still reach the goal of 6,150 members before September 1st. As of this moment, we have received several new members for August already!

Special recognition goes to the following divisions and Lt. Governors for their continued growth in July. Remember to “just ask” someone to share the Kiwanis Experience to help your club grow!

Division 1-S: Jason Miller, Lt. Governor

Division 2: Bob Day Jr., Lt. Governor

Division 3: Donn Craig, Lt. Governor

Division 4: Larry Hudson, Lt. Governor

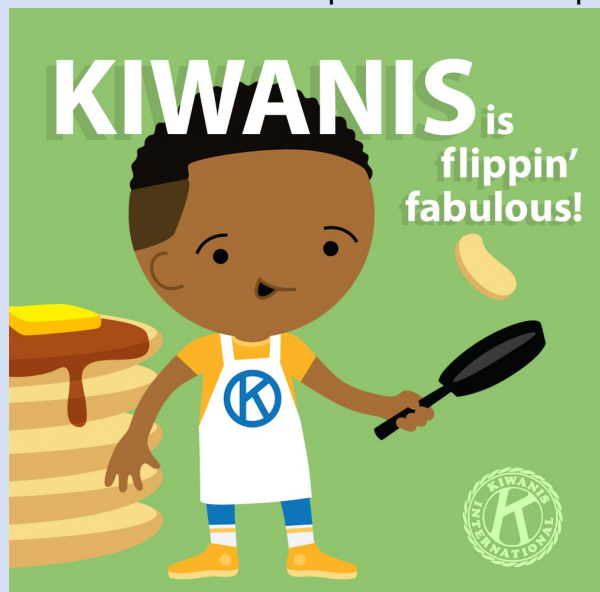
Division 5: Sam Slater, Lt. Governor

Division 8: Judy Raub, Lt. Governor

Division 16: Ron Hyre, Lt. Governor

Division 17: Thomas Stahlheber, Lt. Governor

Division 18: Robert Moon, Lt. Governor



The Kiwanis Club of Northridge

Celebrated their 75th ANNIVERSARY with a Special Dinner at the local Olive Garden. Club members both present and past as well as a former scholarship recipient were in attendance. A highlight of the party was a remote Award to Long Time member Jim Carlisle thanking him for the last 51 years of service to the club and our community Jim had a remarkable 47 years of Perfect Attendance to club meetings and still stays as informed and involved as possible. Jim spent many of his years with the Club serving as the Clubs Treasurer which as we all know is a very integral part of all of our Clubs.

Our Club is excited to be continuing many long time outreach programs in the upcoming year as well as pioneering a new one or two, we are always looking to make a positive impact on our community and its children, we are currently looking to revive the bike rodeo and add a safety town to the mix to help ensure our youth stay safe on their bikes in the community!



Photos:

Above: A photo of the membership in the early years of service.

Side: Food baskets are ready to be delivered to families in need, probably in the late 70's or early 80's.

Below: The Food Basket project continues. Here members of the Northridge Kiwanis Club, sort groceries and repack items in the Christmas Food Baskets for local community members.



ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS™ STORE DISCOUNT PROGRAM

WHAT'S CHANGED?

The Office Depot Store Purchasing Card, which many Kiwanis club members use for products and discounts through Kiwanis partner Office Depot, is being replaced by the ODP Business Solutions Member Savings Program.

WHY THE CHANGE?

In May 2022, The ODP Corporation, the publicly traded parent company of Office Depot, split its commercial business-to-business operations into a separate organization named ODP Business Solutions. Office Depot is now a separate entity focused on retail customers and consumer-facing e-commerce. Both companies remain wholly owned by The ODP Corporation.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR PARTICIPATING MEMBERS?

- Your online shopping login credentials won't change. Online shopping will be available at odpbusiness.com.
- Your billing will not change.
- Product selection has not changed.
- Shipping cost/times have not changed.
- In-store shopping will receive a standard discount.

WHAT'S CHANGED IN THE OFFICE DEPOT RETAIL STORE?

Full discounts are applied if you order online at odpbusiness.com and choose store pick-up.

Members will only receive a standard discount in an Office Depot or OfficeMax store when presenting the QR code via the ODP Business Solutions mobile app during checkout. To download the app, [register online](#) for download access.

- Members who currently have a printable Office Depot Store Purchasing Card can continue to use it for a limited time during this transition.

WHAT YOU GET BY JOINING THE ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS PROGRAM

- Up to 55% off on office supplies.
- Up to 55% off on cleaning and breakroom items.
- 10% off branded ink and toner, 20% off private brand.
- Average 10% off on more than 200 technology core items.
- Free next-day shipping on orders of US\$50 or more.
- Significant savings on copy and print.
- Customize pricing for the items you buy most often.**Based on business size and order size.*
- Specials and promotions from your favorite brands.

WAYS TO SHOP

Online: Shop online at odpbusiness.com and receive free next-business-day shipping on orders of \$50 or more.

- **Mobile app:** After registering, download the mobile app and place your orders online while you're on the go.

Buy online, pick up in store: Receive your full contract pricing when you place your order online at odpbusiness.com and select store pick-up at your favorite Office Depot and OfficeMax store location.

- **Store discount program:** Receive a standard discount on certain product categories when you shop in an Office Depot or OfficeMax store. Sign up for access to the program and then download the ODP Business Solutions mobile app to get the program QR code to use in store.

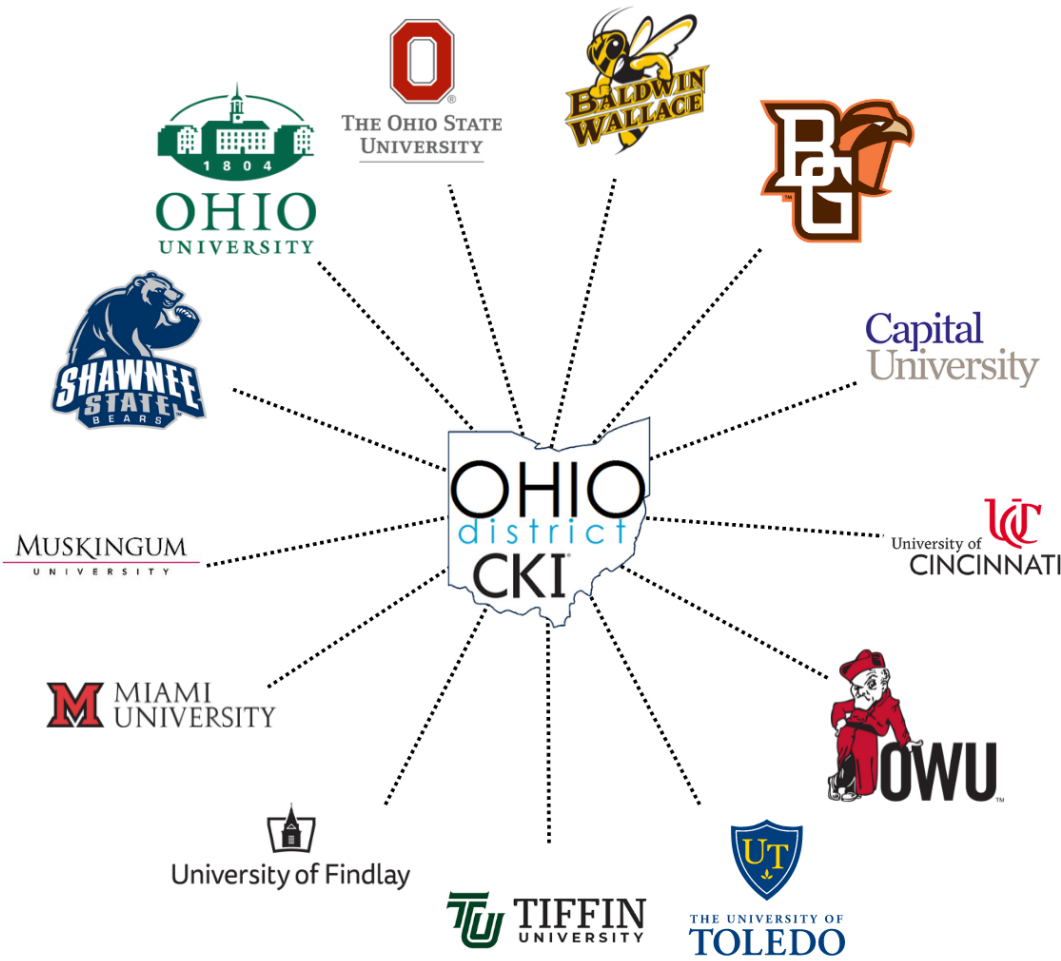
For customer support, contact esther.wickersham@excelerateamerica.com.

[Click here to request an account.](#)

[Download the ODP Business Store Discount Program flier](#)

[Download the Kiwanis ODP Business Registration flier](#)

KNOW SOMEONE ATTENDING ONE OF THESE SCHOOLS?



REBUILDING CLUBS



SCAN THE QR CODE AND FILL OUT THE INTEREST TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THAT CIRCLE K CLUB OR VISIT OHIOCKI.ORG/CIRCLE-K-INTEREST-FORM/



Back to School Blues

The conversation was rather amusing. Standing in front of a display showcasing back to school supplies, I heard a plaintive voice complaining about having to return to school. The list of grievances were long, not wanting to get up so early, all the homework to deal with, the costs of supplies, the chaos, kids being rude, and so forth. Recognizing the voice, I popped around the corner and reminded my friend Kim, she was getting payback for forcing all her friends to play school all the time when we were kids, especially since she was always the teacher. She continues to be so to this day.

She gave a very inappropriate response, then grinned. I noticed her cart was loaded down with items from the school supply lists. Crayons, pencils, tissues, scissors, disinfecting wipes, folders, etc., she looked a bit grim as she explained that for her classroom there was at least 7 children who would not have the wherewithal to bring the items on the school list. Having just completed buying our son's supplies, I knew this was going to be a pricy undertaking for her, as well as many other teachers in our school systems.

This is the perfect time to "adopt a class" for clubs or communities. I especially like the idea of "back to school wish trees". This is where classroom staff create a list of items which would be especially useful in their classrooms, then it is attached to a tree in an area with high traffic, like a big box store, church, or grocery store. Much like the angel trees you see at Christmas. Good Samaritans (like Kiwanis members) select a tag and then return a week later with items which had been purchased in a bag or box with the label attached. The bags and boxes of school supplies are then delivered to the appropriate school and classroom prior to the start of school.

The other item, which can be very helpful is to help create a "clothing cupboard" for children in Head Start, preschool or kindergarten, which would be needed in case of accidents, they would have clean/dry clothes to wear. Again, something that some families cannot provide, especially during winter months.

Finally, the creation of book bags with requested classroom items, needed for each grade. Often a child in foster care does not have these items, and once the back to school sales are over, they can be very expensive for foster families to obtain, if they can find the items at all. The child is already aware, they are different, because of their home situation and possibly because they are in a different school, but, having the basic items will help them fit in more quickly. Guidance counselors and teachers would appreciate receiving these items, and so will the children we are serving.

Finally, consider a "Paper drive" for your school. Construction paper, tissues, paper towels, resealable baggies, colorful copy paper, facial wipes, folders, disinfecting wipes, lined paper, and even new, current reading materials for teachers to divide among their classrooms ([Scholastic Gift Cards](#) work well too!) More often than not, the budget teachers have to work with will not stretch very far as far as classroom supplies, and having help from the community will provide some relief from purchasing everything themselves.

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