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From the desk of the
DISTRICT GOVERNOR



IT is November and as we go into our second month as Governor and First Lady, we continue to be very busy. I have done 7 installations and have met a great amount of fantastic Kiwanis at those meetings.

We are getting ready to head out and start on a wonderful journey of official visits and look forward to meeting all of you. I will be discussing my goals and vision for this great Mighty Ohio District. First Lady Laurie is looking forward to talking about the family project and hopes to help with the children in need in the Ohio District. Please remember that we need to retain our current members, boost our clubs that need help and build new clubs where we can. Also, we cannot forget about our SLPs, if your club does not support a current SLP, please try to get a SLP started in your area.

The First Lady and I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you and your families a great Thanksgiving. As always, if there someone or child that needs a meal or help during this thanksgiving season, I know there is a Kiwanis club who will be there to help. #KIDSNEEDKIWANIS

*In Service,
Dave Kuhn*



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From the desk of the
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"AN attitude of gratitude" is much more than a pleasant rhyme. It has both deep profoundness and broad reach at the same time. It can invoke self-reflection and yield personal inspiration. I believe that most of us have either met or personally know people who are just grumpy and downright unhappy. For me, this begs the question of whether their attitude is shaped by their gratitude. Are they thankful for something? Anything? I would certainly hope that they could see the forest through the trees by stepping back and looking within. Our attitudes shape who we are, but more importantly they shape our world around us. Here are a few excerpts on the topic that I found at <https://oneexceptionallife.com/power-of-gratitude-2/>

"Having an attitude of gratitude means you find the good in people, things, and situations. It is how you look at the world and respond. An attitude of gratitude takes work and constant practice until it becomes a habit. Even then you have to take a deep breath and make the choice to find the good. But the benefits of practicing gratitude are enormous."

"I don't think I have ever told someone to thank you and they responded with a scowl on their face. When you tell someone thank you, you are acknowledging not only their efforts but their very existence. You are telling them that they were noticed and that their presence matters. By thanking them, you are speaking worth and value into their life. Not only that, but you are making them feel appreciated. That is powerful!"

So if no one has told you lately...THANK YOU! Thank you for all that you do in your community in the name of Kiwanis to serve the children!

*In Service,
Jim Janosik*

Need to meet with me? Book an appointment at calendly.com/jimjanosik



INSPIRATION

Let us be grateful to people who make us happy; they are the charming gardeners who make our souls blossom.

Marcel Proust



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KIWANIS FAMILY WELCOME

Our newest members through October 24, 2022



New Members

Chad Broerman
Timothy Moss
Charlotte Moss
Brett Ridge
James Patrick
Connor Mutchler
Amy Kolarik
Jennifer Rucker
Ashlea Shaw
Diane Bricker
Soni Edgington
Sam Hoekstra
Megan Curry
Matt Corrigan
Dorothy Anderson
Willie Anderson
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Jeff Fantozzi
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Antonio Jackson
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Steven Farhat

Club

Hudson
New Madison
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Bucyrus
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Bucyrus
Hudson
Barnesville
Mansfield
Morrow County
Wilmington
Granville
Wilmington
Richmond Heights
Richmond Heights
Richmond Heights
Richmond Heights
Chillicothe
Granville
Granville
Mason
Mason
Mason
Southern Hills
Sandusky
Sandusky
Kirtland
Piqua
Dayton
Galion
Galion
Ravenna
Wooster
Ravenna

New Members

Rachel Pall
Carey McKee
Elizabeth Moore
Susan Siebert
Kathleen Brown
Christopher Louis
Maximillian Loeffler
Andrea Hirst
Adam Zimmerman
Melissa Hull
Melissa Wells
Kayleigh Ringle
Eric Gale
Eric McKee
Christine Lyon
Nathan Stratton
Andrew Behr
Alex Losakamp
Amy Breeze
Jayme Moorman
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Heather Vermillion
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John Varga
William Lavery
Patricia Sachal
Stacie Weimer
Kelsey Hofer
John Seiling

Club

West Geauga
Springfield
Marion
Celina
Elyria
Elyria
Berea
Seville
Newton Falls
South Metro
Milford
Willard Area
Willard Area
Independence
Dover-New Philadelphia
Dover-New Philadelphia
Dover-New Philadelphia
Harrison
Lebanon
Coldwater
Lancaster
Lima
Lima
West Geauga
West Geauga
Alliance
Alliance
Alliance
Alliance
Cuyahoga Falls
Norwalk





BUILDERS CLUB STARTED AT HEIR FORCE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Dean Brown, *The Lima News*
September 29, 2022

THE Builders Club of Heir Force Academy held their charter meeting at the Impact Center on North Cole Street. The Kiwanis Ohio District Governor Craig Smith spoke to students, faculty, and others in attendance.

Dr. Willie Heggins said, "The school has always been intentional in allowing service leadership to be an integral component of student development. This is who we are."

There are more than 1,500 Builders Clubs in middle schools around the world. No two are alike. Each club is an independent entity, designed for its members, by its members. They work together to improve their schools and their communities.

Their service also increases visibility and enhances the reputation of both the club and the school. The program is designed to fit member and volunteer interests. A Builders Club is uniquely built on an important principle: Amazing things happen when the students take the lead.

This Builders Club joins other local clubs, which include service leadership clubs for students in Lima City Schools from elementary through high school, for adults with disabilities at the Board of DD and college level students with a Kiwanis Circle K at Ohio State-Lima.



Pictured is Lyonna Horrison being installed as the first president by Lima Secretary and SLP Chair, Robert Day.

THINKING OF STARTING A K-KIDS CLUB?



The first K-Kids Club to be chartered this year will receive a \$50 check from the Ohio District. All others chartered by March 17, 2023 will be entered into a drawing to receive a \$100 check to be awarded at MidYear Education Day.





COMMUNITY GEM: KETTERING WOMAN BRINGS JOY VIA KIWANIS CLUB OF DAYTON'S CAKES FOR KIDS PROGRAM

Eric Schwartzberg, *Dayton Daily News*

September 9, 2022

BIRTHDAY cakes brighten people's days and an area woman wants to make sure all children get one on their birthday.

Kelly Brown of Kettering got the idea several years ago as she read a Dayton Daily News article about a nurse visiting an 8-year-old boy on behalf of Help Me Grow Brighter Futures, a no-cost system of support for pregnant women, caregivers with new babies and families with young children with developmental delays and disabilities.

"This little boy was sitting on the front porch ... and he tells the nurse 'I'm so excited. Today's my birthday. I am going to get my own bag of potato chips for myself for my birthday,'" Brown said. "So that in itself when you think 'Oh my gosh, all this child is getting is just getting a bag of potato chips for his birthday, that ... starts tugging at your heartstrings."

When the nurse exited the home, the formerly joyous boy was visibly upset having learned he could not go to the store to get the treat, Brown said. That's when the nurse went to her car and gave him a piece of chocolate cake for her own son's birthday and the little boy was elated, she said.

The story made her think about other children who may never get a birthday cake and inspired her to start the Cakes for Kids program as a community service project of Kiwanis Club of Dayton. Now, Help Me Grow Brighter Futures refers possible cake candidates to Cakes for Kids and Evan's Bakery in Dayton creates the smile-inducing treats for the program at a discounted rate.

Brown said Cakes for Kids helps generate joy. "Joy is the one emotion or feeling that just continues if you feed off of each other, right?" she said. "So you bring joy to someone that brings joy to you and it just continues it just amplifies

And I can tell you some of the homes that we have gone into are not happy homes and not secure homes, so to be able to bring the joy and the experience of feeling valued and celebrated to a little kid is it's just it's indescribable." Cakes for Kids serves about 30 children a year, most of whom are 9 years old or younger, Brown said.

"The joy and happiness this simple act brings to the kids' faces is all the reward Kelly needs," said her younger sister, Heather Mitchell, who nominated her as a Dayton Daily News Community Gem. Mitchell said her sister "always had a servant heart, from taking care of me and my other sister when we were growing up to donating her time and money to various charities."

Brown said that as much as Cakes for Kids focuses on bringing joy to children, another part of its mission is to bring some relief to the parents so they don't feel compelled to spend money that they may not have "as they, too, want their children to feel celebrated. Our cakes bring joy to parents, too," she said.

Brown said she was "really flattered" to be nominated as a Community Gem. "It's fun, it's exciting and it's unexpected and ... much appreciated," she said. Kiwanis Club of Dayton would love to expand the Kiwanis Cakes for Kids program, Brown said. "For us to do this, we need additional people to join our club and our cause," she said. "We have been serving the Dayton community for over 100 years and we want to keep bringing comfort and joy to kids for centuries to come."



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INTRODUCING MICROGRANTS

SMALL GRANTS CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

The Kiwanis Children's Fund has a long history of collaborating with Kiwanis clubs to fill gaps in their project funding via club grants. But what about smaller clubs with limited service budgets? The Children's Fund knows that small projects can have a huge impact on the lives of children, and so we are excited to launch our Microgrants Program!

If your club has **35 members or fewer** and is **in good standing** with Kiwanis International and the Kiwanis Children's Fund, you may qualify to apply for a microgrant of **US\$250-1,000!**

ADVANTAGES

- **Shorter application** than the traditional club grant program.
- **Less funding required from other sources** — Matching funds will not be required.
- **Shorter decision period** — Applications received by the 1st of each month will receive a decision via email by the 15th of the same month.
- **Faster distribution of funds** — The first funds will be distributed in December, and after that, you will receive funds within 2-3 weeks of your application's acceptance.



YOUR PROJECT MUST

- **Be a service project** enhancing the lives of **young children and youth** in your community.
- **Support at least one of the three Kiwanis causes:** health and nutrition, education and literacy, and youth leadership development.
- **Be upcoming or in process** (not completed) when grant payment is received.

Apply for a microgrant from **October 1-July 1**. Grant applications will be considered in the order received until funds are depleted, so start preparing your application now!

More information, including complete eligibility requirements, is available at kiwanis.org/childrens-fund/grants.

Questions? Email grants@kiwanis.org or call 1-800-KIWANIS, ext. 225.

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GIVING TREE



Our newest addition to the Giving Tree is Lori Humphrey, recognized by the Sidney Kiwanis Club for her leadership as the 2021-22 Club President. You, or your club, can recognize a member's contributions with a copper, silver, or gold leaf on the Giving Tree, prominently displayed at the Ohio District Kiwanis Office.



FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO DONATE

<https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/district-office-events/>

MEET OUR FALL MARKETING INTERN



Hello! My name is Joanna Tabler. I currently live in Carroll, Ohio, with my husband and two children. We have the privilege of living in the farmhouse where I grew up. We have chickens, ducks, two cats, and a dog. Plus, about 300 acres altogether that my brother farms corn and soybeans. My brother, sister, and parents all live within a mile! It is a joy to be close to family and to enjoy a bit of country life!

We moved back to Ohio 3 years ago after ministering for 13 years in Jackson, Tennessee. For ten of those years, my husband was a Worship Pastor, and I was a Children's Pastor. As a Children's Pastor, I developed a Special Needs ministry for children with special needs. It is one of the most rewarding things I have done. We then moved to Dyersburg, Tennessee, and launched and pastored a campus church.

In 2017 we realized we needed to move back to Ohio to be closer to our aging parents. I have been blessed to stay home and raise our two children while my husband is a professor of music at Valor Christian College. We are Associate Pastors at Hands of Faith Church in Zanesville, Ohio. I continue to work in the Children's Ministry. I have a passion for children and for those in need, which is a driving force in all I do.

I recently completed my studies at Ohio Christian University in Interdisciplinary Studies with a focus on Marketing. I aim to work with non-profits to help them with their marketing initiatives. When an agency is doing good for others, I quickly want to get on board and see how I can help. I hope to continue to use my education and abilities to enhance any agency working for the good of others.

Joanna will be assisting the District with creating a master list of recurring club events, building new social media assets, and developing communications plans.





ODKF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



THE Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation invites all Kiwanis members to join us during MidYear Education Day at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North on March 18, 2023 for a hands-on First Family Service Project. We're encouraging all members to volunteer for a little time throughout the day as we assemble "Komfort Backpacks" for kids over the age of 12 who have recently been placed in foster care. All backpacks assembled that day will be given to Lieutenant Governors and club members to take back to their club so that they can be delivered to their divisions local children service agency.

All monetary contributions made through ODKF website through March, will be used for supplies. We are also hopeful that clubs will bring additional supplies to MidYear to ensure that we have plenty of supplies to fill as many backpacks as possible. Collecting items with SLPs between now and March, could serve as a club service project as well. SLP leaders and officers are welcome to join us.

A list of items to be included in the backpacks can be found on the First Family Service Project donation page at www.ODKF.org. ODKF will continue to accept monetary donations through September 30, to ensure Governor Dave and First Lady Laurie have a very successful service project.

It's as easy as 1-2-3 for you and your club to make a true impact with this very special service project.

- 1) Make a donation to the First Family Service Project by visiting www.ODKF.org.
- 2) Bring backpack supplies collected by your club to MidYear Education Day for the service project.
- 3) Help assemble backpacks at MYED for LTGs and clubs to take to their local children service agency.

Your individual and club donations through the ODKF website, club contributions of supplies at MidYear, and assistance with assembly, will help us tremendously in supporting this service project and providing true comfort for many foster children throughout Ohio.

Thanks in advance for your time, service, and other considerations in helping us with this project. I look forward to working side-by-side with everyone from the GREAT Ohio District at MidYear 2023.

In Kiwanis Service,

James Minter

ODKF President 2022-2023

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NEW ENDOWMENT FOR KEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCED

DAN Bergolc, an alum of Euclid Senior High School and Baldwin Wallace University, was extremely active and selfless in his service to others through his elected offices in Key Club at the club, division, district, and international levels of the organization, providing inspiration to countless others. Now deceased as a result of his service in the United States Army, an endowment has been created in his memory to provide an annual scholarship to a graduating Ohio Key Club secretary.

An outstanding Key Club secretary (at any level of the organization) will be selected by the Key Club leadership and the Bergolc family and will be presented at the annual Ohio Key Club District Leadership Conference. Funding of this award is made possible through an endowment maintained by the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation.



REMEMBER AND HONOR
★★ CAPTAIN ★★
DANIEL H. BERGOLC
KEY CLUB SECRETARY SCHOLARSHIP

Contributions to the endowment fund are much appreciated and may be made at odkf.org via the memorial fund donations.





"For those of us that were lucky enough to know Dan, we will forever remember his infectious smile, laughter, and delight. Dan was my high school mate, my neighbor, my fellow Key Clubber, and my friend. I appreciate the creation of this fund to honor his legacy in helping others, and will match the first \$1,000 of donations to the memorial scholarship fund established in his name. Please go to odkf.org and donate using the Memorial Fund designation. Thank you." - Jim Janosik





SUPPORT KIWANIS CLUBS IN FLORIDA



LAST month parts of Florida were struck by storm surge and flooding caused by Hurricane Ian, one of the strongest hurricanes on record to make landfall in the continental United States. The cities of Fort Myers Beach and Naples were particularly hard hit and Sanibel was hit with a devastating storm surge and major flooding. The causeway connecting Sanibel Island to the mainland collapsed and the bridge connecting Pine Island to Fort Meyers was leveled. Millions were left without power in the storm's wake, and several inhabitants were forced to take refuge on their roofs.



If you wish to support the relief and recovery efforts being made by Florida's Kiwanis Clubs, you can do so through our Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation (ODKF). Donations can be made online at <https://odkf.org/> All monies collected will be sent to the Florida Kiwanis Foundation for distribution to Kiwanis Clubs in support of local relief efforts.

Please keep all our friends impacted by these storms in your thoughts.

CIRCLE K DCON SET

STUDENTS from across Ohio will gather to celebrate their service achievements and elect new leaders at the 2023 Ohio Circle K District Convention. Set to take place February 10-12 on the campus of The Ohio State University, students will engage in service projects, education, and fellowship all weekend long.

Kiwanians and Kiwanis Clubs are encouraged to attend the Circle K DCON, and also to sponsor the event. Sponsorship opportunities are listed on ohiokiwanis.org under the Events > Circle K DCON tab, and registration will open on December 1st.





FIRST FAMILY PROJECT KOMFORT BAGS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN



OUR FOCUS

- Children over the age of 12
- Given to a child when being placed in a foster home
- Give the child a few essentials to help them feel comfort

OUR WHY

- When a foster child is pulled from one home and placed in another, often without warning, all they are typically able to take with them are the clothes on their back.
- Comfort bags can offer them a sense of ownership.

WHAT'S IN THE BAG?

- Fleece blanket
- Journal Notebook
- Pencils, pens, sharpener & erasers
- Coloring Book and colored pencils
- Toiletries
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Comb
- Hand and body lotion
- 11" Teddy Bear
- Kiwanis Key chain



SERVICE PROJECT IDEAS

- Have a stuffing party with club
- Invite SLP's to help
- Write inspirational letters to include
- Make fleece blankets

HOW CLUBS CAN HELP

- Purchase Komfort bags at of cost of \$35 for each bag.
- Contact Governor David to get the materials for the bag purchased.
- Governor David will coordinate the delivery of the items to be stuffed into the bags.
- Arrange a service project to stuff the bags and deliver them to your local Children's Service agency.

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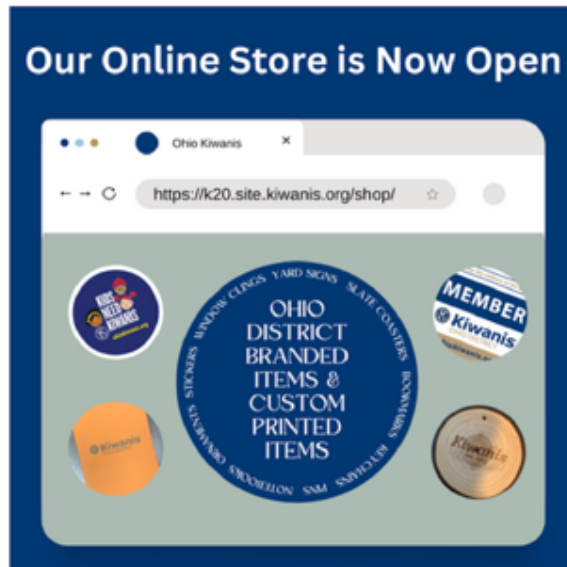


DISTRICT STORE NOW OPEN

NAVIGATE on over to the District website under the Resources tab down to Shop and you'll find two new order forms for Kiwanis merchandise. The first one is for Ohio District branded items, and the second one is for custom printed collateral materials such as business cards, brochures, and postcards. All custom orders are drop-shipped directly to the buyer, and the District branded items are available for in-office pickup or shipping.



[HTTPS://K20.SITE.KIWANIS.ORG/SHOP/](https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/shop/)





MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

<https://www.kiwanis.org/clubs/member-resources/training/division-leader/club-strengthening>

Did you know...

...about the abundance of resources available at [kiwanis.org](https://www.kiwanis.org) to help your club grow?



...about the Membership Leaders Group on Facebook?

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/521121504645990>

...that you can request a club coach to help guide you through revitalizing your club?



...the 2-for-2 Program is a requirement for Distinguished and Pinnacle Club status for 2022-23?



Are you interested...

...in becoming a club coach or opener?

There are scheduled educational sessions the first Tuesday of every month online. Visit <https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/membership/> to see the schedule and register to attend.

By the numbers

The Ohio District ended the 2021-22 administrative year with 5,634 members, a net loss of 174, or 3%.

The Divisions showing positive net growth for the 2021-22 year include: 1S, 3, 5, 8, 16, 17, 18, & 22.

The club that added the most members was Mason with +15. Coming in second with +14 was East Fork Region.

A new club was chartered in Tipp City with 18 members.



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FIND NEW KIWANIS MEMBERS HERE

OHIO NOW HAS A DATABASE SUBSCRIPTION WHERE WE CAN PROVIDE LEAD LISTS FOR YOUR CLUB. WORKS GREAT WITH THE TWO FOR TWO CAMPAIGN AND OPEN HOUSES!

**LIST PROVIDES:
NAME, ADDRESS,
PHONE, EMAIL,
SOCIAL MEDIA**

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- Identify by job title
- Select key words

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UNDER RESOURCES > MEMBERSHIP**

Please allow up to 14 days for processing. Thank you.



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Building Better Builders Clubs



SINCE we are now in the second month of the Kiwanis year Builders Club Kiwanis advisors are encouraged to review the criteria for the various awards and recognition available for clubs, advisors, and club officers.

The link is <https://www.buildersclub.org/club-and-member-recognition/>. After reviewing, the Kiwanis advisor needs to discuss with the faculty advisor the information in order to plan that the builders club can meet the criteria to be named as distinguished, or at the very least an honor club.

During 2021-2022 we had three distinguished clubs in the District, and three honor. A total of eight advisors were named as distinguished. Our goal for 2022-2023 is to have at least 20 clubs and advisors to be so named. Next, please remember that the renewal fee for each club is due November 1, 2022. It will be \$215.00.

Please work with your club secretary to ensure that the number of members is reported and where the club kits need to be mailed. Finally, your secretary needs to determine that the faculty advisor is correct, and if not report any changes to Member Services.



*In Service,
Robert Day*

Ohio District Builders Club Administrator
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Order an Ohio Kiwanis License Plate to support children and families in Ohio through its grant program for Kiwanis Safe and Healthy Kids. \$25 for each license plate goes to the Foundation annually. Purchase online at www.oplates.com or at your local BMV office.





UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS



On November 5, 2022, the **East Fork Region Kiwanis Club** will be hosting the **Fields of Honor** event. Opening ceremonies for each field Amelia, Batavia, Bethel and Williamsburg will fly over 100 full sized America Flags from November 5 through November 28. Dedicate your flag today. For additional information, please contact Jraub919@aol.com

63rd Annual Mason Kiwanis Pancake Day! Join us on November 12, 2022 from 7 am – 1 pm at Mason Middle School (6370 Mason Montgomery Rd, Mason, OH). Pancakes – Sausage – Biscuits & Gravy - Coffee – Milk and Juice. All proceeds benefit children in Warren County TICKETS \$7.00 AT THE DOOR or pre-purchase tickets for \$5.00 online at MasonKiwanis.org/Pancakes. We look forward to serving you!



The **19th Annual Evening Kiwanis Pancake & Sausage Brunch** will be held this year on November 12, 2022. All-You-Can-Eat pancakes, sausage and eggs will be served from 7 AM until Noon at the Delaware YMCA at 1121 South Houk Road. Donations will be accepted at the door and if you are on your way to Key Leader, plan on stopping by.





DISTRICT INSTALLATION RECAP

OVER a hundred Kiwanians and guests gathered on October 1st to ring in the new Kiwanis year and install the 2022-23 District Board and Committee Chairs. Governor Dave seized the opportunity to induct his longtime friend and initial Kiwanis sponsor, Brett Dodridge, as a new member of the Cuyahoga Falls Kiwanis Club.



HELP KIDS GROW WITH A GARDENING GRANT

SINCE 1982, the KidsGardening Youth Garden Grant has supported school and youth educational garden projects that enhance the quality of life for students and their communities. In 2023, 50 programs will receive award packages consisting of a cash prize and a variety of gardening tools and supplies. Kiwanis family clubs are invited to apply!

APPLICATION PERIOD
Now through December 2, 2022

AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT
January 6, 2023

AWARD CRITERIA
The award is open to any nonprofit, public or private school or youth program in the United States planning a new garden program or expanding an established one that serves at least 15 youth from ages 3 to 18.



CIRCLE K FALL RALLY RECAP

Claire Feit, Circle K District Bulletin Editor

ON behalf of the Ohio District Board of Circle K International, thank you to all members, officers, and Kiwanians that attended Fall Rally 2022! In attendance, we had 36 registered attendees of which 30 were CKI members. The 30 CKI members represented 7 different clubs, which is more than half of our active clubs in the district! Over the course of the event, members expanded their knowledge through a full day of service, fellowship, and leadership.



LEADERSHIP

CKI members, Governor Margaret Lee, LRA & SpOT Chair Austin Underwood, and River Hills LTG & DCON Co-Chair Vivian Corey hosted workshops that helped members to expand their knowledge to benefit both themselves and their club. Margaret gave an overview of the K-Family and the CKI structure. She also presented on providing members with meaningful activities and developing as leaders to improve retention in their clubs. Austin presented on funding, and how to receive and utilize scholarships and grants, as well as club fundraising ideas. Vivian hosted a workshop about the importance of movement and the connection to an open mind.



SERVICE

Due to inclement weather, members split into three groups and completed different service projects. Members created homemade cards for seniors and nursing home residents. They also made dog tug rope toys by cutting t-shirts into fabric strips and braiding them together. Members also decorated and wrote inspirational messages on stones, which they will leave in their communities to spread kindness and inspiration. Clubs took these cards, toys, and rocks back to their home to benefit their surrounding community.

FELLOWSHIP

Fall Rally was a day full of fellowship, members competed head-to-head at Jeopardy and Minute-to-Win-it, tie-dyed CKI t-shirts, and ate ice cream sundaes!



KEY LEADER REGISTRATION IS OPEN

THE fall 2022 Key Leader is now open for registration, and thanks to grant funds from the Kiwanis Children's Fund and the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation, scholarships are available for students to attend. Key Leader is a transformative, service leadership weekend retreat for high school students. Attendees do not need to be Key Club members, it is open to ALL high school students in the state.

Over three days, teens age 14 to 18 learn life skills—from leading a group to showing appreciation. They get outdoors and out of their comfort zone. They meet new friends. All in a safe, positive environment supported by Kiwanis International.



Nov 11-13,
2022

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Community - Excellence

November
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for students in grades 9-12

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KIWANIS BACKYARD

BASH TIME

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Wilmington News Journal

The Wilmington Kiwanis Club at their meeting hosted athletic directors Brian Carey of Clinton-Massie and Troy Diels of Wilmington High Schools, Clinton-Massie head football coach Dan McSurley, and retired Clinton-Massie athletic director Bennie Carroll. They spoke about the upcoming Friday night football games between the two schools. They are shown with Kiwanis Program Chair Kiwanian Vernon Dillon. The Wilmington Kiwanis Club sponsors the Backyard Bash Trophy, with the winner keeping the trophy until next year's game.



New Club News

Kettering School District
Community K-Kids - Division 4

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Aktion Club of Ashtabula County
Division 22

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Aktion Club

Literacy Through the Arts
Academy K-Kids - Division 15

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DRUGS AND OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

The situation.....

Schools are a reflection of our society so, if there is a problem in the public in general, it will be an issue in schools. However, children/young people are, generally, more susceptible to peer pressure than adults. One of the greatest risks to young people is the use of dangerous drugs. Frequently, these drugs are used intentionally but, too often, young people take dangerous drugs unwittingly. Research indicates that approximately 30% of U. S. adolescents have used illicit drugs. That's a shockingly high number but a number that hasn't changed significantly over the past decade. The chilling fact is that deaths due to illicit drugs more than doubled in 2020 and continues to rise at an alarming rate. The deaths are due to drug use becoming more dangerous, not more common. Overdose deaths have risen significantly across the United States over the past few years because of the presence of fentanyl. Habitual drug users and unsuspecting young people do not know that what they are taking is perhaps laced with fentanyl and can be fatal.



The Drug Enforcement Administration has advised the public of an alarming, emerging trend of colorful fentanyl available across the United States. Since August 2022, DEA and law enforcement organizations have seized brightly-colored fentanyl and fentanyl pills in all parts of the country. "Rainbow fentanyl" is the latest method used by drug cartels to sell highly addictive and potentially deadly fentanyl made to look like candy to children and young people. Brightly-colored fentanyl is being seized in multiple forms, including pills, powder, and blocks that resemble sidewalk chalk. All it takes is one pill, or enough powder to fit on the tip of a pencil, to poison or kill a person.

What can we do as Kiwanians and community-minded individuals?

Kiwanis clubs can consider investigating and supporting community organizations that are involved in drug use prevention and education, recovery programs, and addressing mental health issues. Many schools work with local law enforcement agencies to offer the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program. D.A.R.E. is a police officer-led series of classroom lessons that teaches children from kindergarten through 12th grade how to resist peer pressure and live productive drug and violence-free lives. If your schools don't have a D.A.R.E. program, consider working with the schools and law enforcement agency to start a program. If the D.A.R.E. program is in your schools, consider financial and/or human resource support.

Support prevention activities that promote drug-free activities; activities that are positive alternatives to using drugs. Positive options could include: arts, sports, and music activities; future-oriented activities; career planning; career fairs; financial planning sessions; college/university fairs; sports tournaments; after-school recreational programs such as Boys and Girls Clubs or the YMCA; scouting organizations; recreational programs; and cultural organizations. If kids have positive things to do and things that they can be involved in, they will be less likely to use drugs.

Advice to pass along on a personal level – encourage friends and family members to purchase candy from reliable vendors, take candy only from known and trusted friends, and dispose of suspiciously- packaged and unpackaged items. Assume all pills offered to you are fake and contain fentanyl. You can't smell or taste fentanyl. You cannot tell if a pill is fake just by looking at it. Do not take any pill that you do not directly get from a doctor or pharmacist. Pills purchased from online ads or from social media sources are not safe. Kiwanians have always stepped up to be a factor in addressing community needs. Your Kiwanis club could make a difference in the battle to save the lives of young people from the dangerous consequences of drug use.

Steve Urooman

Community Service Chair





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CHILDREN'S FUND

KIWANIS CHILDREN'S FUND ANNOUNCES CHANGES

Effective October 1, 2022, Kiwanis Children's Fund recognition items will be available for purchase online from the Kiwanis Family Store. These items (except for the shadow boxes) were previously provided as complimentary recognition for these gifts, along with a Hixson or Blechman lapel pin, as applicable. Lapel pins for new recipients (and new option to request a printed certificate honoring the recipient), and club banner master patches upon request, will be shipped from our office on a complimentary basis.

What recognition pieces will be available?

George F. Hixson Fellowship – US\$1,000 unrestricted gift (installments must all be paid during the same Kiwanis year) -- Kiwanis Family Store shortcut: <https://store.kiwanis.org/hixsonaward>

- Personalized shadow box with mounted medallion
- Wearable medallion
- Personalized name patch for club honors banner
- Replacement Hixson Fellowship lapel pin
- Replacement Hixson Diamond lapel pin

Dr. Wil Blechman Fellowship – US\$2,500 unrestricted gift (installments must all be paid during the same Kiwanis year) -- Kiwanis Family Store shortcut: <https://store.kiwanis.org/blechmanaward>

- Personalized shadow box
- Replacement Blechman Fellowship lapel pin

Why are these changes being made?

1. This move allows for more of the gift to go toward the mission of the Children's Fund – helping children globally through our Kiwanis clubs' service projects. The Children's Fund recently conducted a survey on donor preferences and found that most of our donors are highly motivated to give to impact our mission and are much less motivated by tangible recognition such as shadow boxes, plaques and patches.
2. Our costs to produce and fulfill these recognition items have also increased significantly. In order to steward our donors' gifts wisely and efficiently and be responsive to our donors' feedback, the Children's Fund will now offer most items in the Hixson and Blechman recognition suites for purchase from the Kiwanis Family Store.
3. This will give our Hixson and Blechman donors more flexibility to opt for just the recognition pieces they are most interested in – or skip recognition entirely if they prefer. The Children's Fund will now offer a complimentary printed certificate option for donors who would like personalized Hixson or Blechman recognition for presentation purposes.





CKI ADVISOR SPOTLIGHT ADVISOR SPOTLIGHT IS NANCY PARKINSON FROM MIAMI UNIVERSITY!



Ms. Parkinson is not only a professor but also the advisor of two clubs, however, she constantly makes the time to meet, collaborate and advance the Miami CKI club. She is constantly there to support the Miami CKI club members as they take on new leadership roles, recruit new members, organize various events, explore new service opportunities, and give back to the Oxford community. The Miami CKI Club appreciates Ms. Parkinson's unwavering support and affection and couldn't have asked for a better advisor!

MidYear Education Day

Save the date for March 18, 2023
Crowne Plaza Columbus North

Sponsorship opens Dec 1. Registration opens Jan 1.
Early bird discount through Feb 17.



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MONTHLY SUGGESTIONS

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ARE YOU?

Are you an active member,
The kind that would be missed,
Or are you just contented
That your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings,
And mingle with the flock,
Or do you stay at home
And criticize and knock?

There's quite a program scheduled
That I'm sure you've heard about,
And we'll appreciate if you, too,
Will come and help us out.

Do you take an active part
To help the work along,
Or are you satisfied to be
The kind that "just belong?"

So come to the meetings often
And help with hand and heart,
Don't be just a member,
But take an active part.

Do you ever go and visit
A member that is sick?
Or leave the work to just a few
And talk about the clique?

Think this over, member,
You know right from wrong,
Are you an active member,
Or do you just belong?
- Sarnia, Ontario

THREE CHEERS FOR KIWANIS

Three cheers for its members,
Who are just like brothers
In trouble or out.
Whose friendship is cherished,
Beyond worldly gain,
Who in times that are trying
Help lessen the pain,
Whose love of their fellows
Has made them all grow,
In faith of their neighbors
Thru the seeds that they sow,
Each man in Kiwanis grows greater 'tis true,
Because there is work of which he never knew,
So men of Kiwanis keep up your good work,
And never be suffered your duty to shirk,
Just keep right on plugging from day until day,
For yours is God's blessing in a most wonderful way.
- Lincoln Park, Chicago

WORDS

The words that we scatter
From day unto day,
Take root in some life-soil,
Forever to stay.

Then let us choose wisely
The words that we sow
For what we have planted
The harvest will show

- Asbury Park, New Jersey

