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From the desk of the DISTRICT GOVERNOR



SPRING is around the corner. The First lady and I are six months into our year with the Mighty Ohio District. We are having fun! Over 280 foster bags have been donated and distributed throughout the state. Laurie and I want to thank all of you for the support you have given us to this point. There are several activities happening in this month. Our great Membership Team being led by Past Governor Diana Keplinger, is starting the process of four new clubs with more clubs in the pipeline along with several club boostings scheduled. Please, if your Lt Governor needs you to help make phone calls or if you are available to go out on appointments, it would be great to have your support. This team is working hard to put Ohio back on the map. Please make sure you are registered for MidYear. We have many great sessions on the schedule and a great keynote speaker, Jamole Callahan, who will talk about foster care. International Convention registration is now open, please plan on attending and help us elect Kip Crain as our next Vice-President of Kiwanis International. With St. Patrick's Day coming and with the luck of the Irish, let's get out there and make it the best spring in Ohio for all our clubs. Hope to see everyone at MidYear!



In Service, Dave Kuhn



2022-23 DISTRICT LEADERSHIP

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Jim Janosik



From the desk of the DISTRICT SECRETARY



DISASTER can strike at any time. The recent tragedy that befell East Palestine, Ohio is a rough reminder that disasters are not always the result of nature. Yet, any disaster, man-made or otherwise, has profound impact. Impact on our planet, on economies, on cultures, on families, and on children. Our children are the most vulnerable when disaster strikes. Mostly because they are not empowered or knowledgeable on how to help themselves, and they need the guidance and support of adults who can help them through. Children are also typically more vulnerable physiologically with still developing immune systems and organs where chemicals can be more concentrated than in an adult causing lasting harm.

Our Kiwanis family is in East Palestine. Their families are in East Palestine. And when disaster strikes, our Kiwanis family has a strong history of rallying around one another. Please consider a donation to the disaster relief fund at odkf.org, or reaching out to the East Palestine Club to offer support they may need. John Turner is their current club president and may be reached at ifturner2@aol.com.

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



A good friend is like a four-leaf clover: hard to find and lucky to have

Irish Proverb









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DAVE WHITEMAN, IN MEMORIAM

Obituary as published at www.hendersonvanatta.com

EVERYONE who knew Dave loved and respected him. He was a passionate, hard working man. He was a good man. The kind of man you remember for the values he stood for. To help others. See the best in people. Love fiercely.

Dave was a 1968 graduate of Heath High School and received his Bachelors Degree from The Ohio State University. Dave worked for Wallace Insurance for 25 years. During this time, he started his membership with the Newark Kiwanis Club and his love of serving the needs of others began. He was a member of the club for over 44 years where he served as Club Treasurer. In 1998, he expanded his love of service beyond Newark by beginning a career with Ohio District Kiwanis serving as District Secretary. After retirement, he continued to serve the Ohio District in many roles.

In his free time, Dave enjoyed playing golf, the company of old college friends and attending his grandchildren's activities, especially watching their Little League baseball and softball games. He and Joanne spent many weekends enjoying The Ohio State University football games and Kiwanis conventions throughout Ohio.

Dave was a faith-filled parishioner at Blessed Sacrament Church. He served in many ways through Holy Name Society, Blessed Sacrament School board, and as Lector. He enjoyed diving deeper into the Bible through Father Mike Schmitz's Bible In A Year program. Matthew 5:16 says "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." He knew how to be the light he was meant to be in this world.

Dave was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He married his best friend and love of his life, Joanne, on March 3, 1979. Together they raised two daughters, traveled through the USA and overseas with Kiwanis, and enjoyed sitting on the front porch with each other. His girls, as he liked to call them, will miss knowing he would answer the phone anytime they called. He was always there for them.

In 2017, Dave was given the gift of life through organ donation. His daughter, Katie, was the perfect match and her gift allowed him to live a fuller life and make many more memories with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne (Macklin) Whiteman; two daughters, Jessica (John Ackla) Whiteman and Katie (Chad) Jones; six grandchildren, Noelle, Tycen and Theodore Ackla and Caden, Avery, and Brody Jones; a brother, Phil (Diane) Whiteman; sister-in-law, Marilyn (Vaughn) Klingler; brother-in-law, Mark (Gilda) Macklin; niece, Kelly (Andrew) McCown; nephew Kyle (Elizabeth) Klingler and many beloved family members. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his step-father, William "Bill" Shonce.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in Dave's name to Camp O'Bannon of Licking County, 9699 Butler Road, Newark, Ohio 43055 or B. David Whiteman Scholarship Fund in care of The Licking County Foundation, P.O. Box 4212, Newark OH 43058-4212.











KIWANIS SOCCER PROGRAM CELEBRATES 50 YEARS

Craig Smith, Club Secretary

THE week after Easter this year several hundred boys and girls from Grandview Heights, Marble Cliff, and Upper Arlington will fill area parks for the 50th year with one goal in mind (pardon the pun) - play soccer. A half century ago members of the Kiwanis Club of Northwest Columbus determined that not all the athletic needs of area children were being met. The existing programs focused on "traditional American" sports with too little emphasis on just playing for fun.

In the spring of 1974 more than 120 boys and girls in grades K through 8 took part in the first season of "Northwest Kiwanis Soccer". The focus was on learning the sport, getting exercise, and having fun.

Since 1974 the number of participants in our program has risen and fallen. After only a few years, area middle schools began organizing teams for 7th and 8th graders and the club realized there was no longer the need to organize leagues for them. Around the same time we transitioned from a co-ed program to have separate leagues for boys and girls. The program has also transitioned from a spring only sport to a fall and spring program.

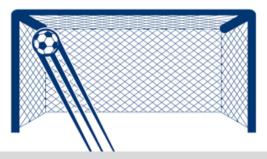


FIRST GRADERS PLAY IN THEIR FIRST EVER SOCCER GAME.

Along the way we've added new opportunities to play and learn. In 1984 we created the Kindergarten Instructional & Developmental Soccer program, which serves as an introduction to soccer for Kindergarteners. The kids are coached by high school and middle school students with an emphasis on learning basic soccer skills – dribbling and passing.

Five years ago we created the "Soccer Buddies" program for children with special needs. Boys and girls grades K through 6 are paired with a soccer buddy - a high school mentor - to enjoy the game at their own pace.

















KIWANIS SOCCER (CONT.)

And we continue to organize teams for boys and girls based on grade level coached by parent volunteers, with games refereed by area middle and high school students. Even though the core program is organized into teams and leagues, we don't keep track of the scores (although the kids do) or standings, and don't determine a champion. After the game we don't ask who won, but "Did you have fun?" Along the way our participants learn that winning is nice, but it's not all there is to soccer.

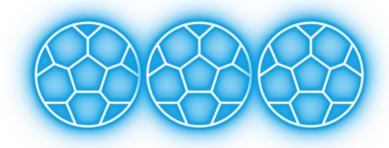
Club members give over 1,000 hours of their time each year to organize teams, recruit coaches, meet with coaches, create schedules, and complete the many other tasks needed to make the program run as smoothly as possible. Although the program could be a major fundraiser for the club, the decision was made to run the program at cost to make sure the programs are available to everyone.

Many of the boys and girls that play on our communities' high school soccer teams started out in our program, with some going on play college soccer, and professionally. But as one former participant who went on to win an NCAA Soccer Championship told us several years ago, she learned all she really needed to learn about soccer in our program - how to be patient with others, the value of teamwork, and the importance of friendship.

NOTE: THESE PHOTOS ARE 6 TO 7 YEARS OLD AND WERE TAKEN IN PUBLIC PARKS. ALL OF THE PARTICIPANTS HAVE 'GRADUATED' FROM OUR PROGRAMS.



ONE OF OUR SOCCER BUDDIES MENTORS TEACHING A PARTICIPANT HOW TO DRIBBLE A SOCCER BALL













KIWANIS FAMILY WELCOME

Our newest members January 21, 2022 through February 20, 2023

New Members

Jean Broderick

Cortney Brumley

Jennifer Candor

Josh Caudill

Billy Collins

Michael Durkin

J.Andrew Ferree

Hanah Hanks

Billie Hiles

Sandra Jenkins

Sherrell Johnson

Gary Kalis

Mari Lynn Keppler

Aaron Morford

Kelley Nagy

Ann Quillen

rum Quitton

Betsy Roberts

Drue Roberts

Mary Schaeffer

Kate Sedgmer

Ralph Smith

Bethanne Spires

Karen Tester

Gabriela Toscano

Linda Vanblaricom

Jasmyn Webb

Sharon Wise

Kyra Young

Club

Columbus

Portsmouth

Gahanna

Zanesville

East Liverpool

Riverview-Delhi Hills

Berea

Portsmouth

Celina

Paulding County

Columbus

West Geauga

Kirtland

Ada

Portage Lakes, Akron

Steubenville

Granville

Granville

Elmore

Steubenville

Seville

Sidney

Celina

Port Clinton

Bowling Green

Mansfield

Findlay

Zanesville







Hiram Aktion Club, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of The Western Reserve

Kiwanis



Young Leaders Helping Others

Kenwood Elementary, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Bowling Green











From the desk of the **DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT**



GREETINGS Mighty Ohio District! As we near the halfway point of this administrative year, I wanted to encourage each of you to not only finish this year strong, but to also start thinking about ways that you can set your clubs, divisions and the district up for success next year.

- 1. Leadership If your club and division have not begun the process of finding leaders for next year, that process should start very soon. If you are fortunate enough to already have a slate of candidates for officers in place, that is great news! If you do not, you or your nominating committee should be thinking of future leaders to reach out to for consideration. The same goes for Lieutenant Governors. Many divisions do not have a Lieutenant Governor selected for next year yet. If you have ever wanted to take on a leadership role within Kiwanis and share your abilities, maybe, that could be you! The 2023-2024 District Board will come together for training on June 9th and 10th, 2023. If you are planning to be a District Leader, mark your calendars now!
- 2. Fellowship Keep your meetings and events fun, engaging and exciting. One of the best ways to keep and attract new members is to show them how fun your club can be. Do not be afraid to try new things to keep it fun!
- 3. Service What is Kiwanis without service? It is important to continue making an impact in our communities. Look for ways to partner with a local community organization (don't forget to take a membership application with you when you go to plan with them!). Have you engaged your Service Leadership Programs recently? Now may be the time to reach out to them and plan a service project, or offer to assist with one they already have in the works.
- 4. Membership Clubs should be welcoming new members to their family on an ongoing basis. We simply cannot stop asking our friends and colleagues to be a part of Kiwanis. As we look toward helping Governor Dave and his board reach their goal of opening eight (8) clubs this year, perhaps you want to consider becoming a certified club opener or club coach. Ohio has far fewer coaches and openers than we need! How do you become certified you may be asking? Well, you are in luck! Kiwanis International has a series of webinars this year to give the information that you need:













GOV-ELECT CONT.

All training sessions will take place at 8:00 p.m., Eastern on the first Tuesday of each month, except July and it will be the second Tuesday. The sessions will alternate between Club Opening and Club Coaching. The schedule for each session are below and all registration links may be found at https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/membership/. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. NOTE: Each person must register individually. Please do not share the links you receive in the confirmation email.

March 7th - Club Opening

April 4th - Club Coaching

May 2nd - Club Opening

June 6th - Club Coaching

July 11th - Club Opening

August 1st - Club Coaching

September 5th - Club Opening



Each of us plays a crucial role in helping our clubs, divisions and the District to remain a Mighty force for positive change. If there are any questions, or you need help with anything that I have mentioned, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at jmiller@ohiokiwanis.org. I am looking forward to an outstanding 2023-2024 Kiwanis year!

In Service, Jason Miller

THINKING OF STARTING A K-KIDS CLUB?



The first K-Kids Club to be charted 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.











ODKF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Making A Difference with ODKF Grants



I had the privilege of attending Circle K DCON and awarding ODCKI Governor, Margaret Lee, with a Past International Presidents Award, for her leadership and contributions as a board member with ODKF. The evening included great fellowship, a wonderful keynote speech by Stan Soderstrom, executive director of Kiwanis International, special awards including the Wayne and Laura Enders Ohio Circle of Service Award which was presented to past ODKF President and Ohio Governor Elect Jason Miller, and of course, acknowledgment and commitment of service for all Circle K members this past year. It's invigorating, to see our active SLPs doing their part to make a difference in Ohio.

In speaking with the members of Circle K, I presented them with a simple "ASK", and I'll present a similar request today, to encourage all Kiwanis clubs to work with their SLPs to make a difference within their community with meaningful service projects supported by ODKF grants. If you haven't executed a service project this year, let me encourage you to work with your SLP advisors and explore options with a matching mini grant or regular club grant through ODKF. The deadlines for upcoming grant cycles are March 31, and June 30. If you're struggling to come up with a service project and haven't utilized ODKF in the past, let me encourage you to explore a Safe & Healthy Kids Project like the helmet project or support the Ohio Governor First Family Service Project.

At MidYear, please consider participating in the First Family Komfort Backpacks Service Project for 20 minutes throughout the day. We are preparing to produce 144 Komfort Backpacks that LTGs and club presidents will take back to distribute to their communities children's service agencies. LTGs, presidents, and secretaries will receive an email prior to Mid Year to help coordinate pick up and delivery for your club. Kiwanis members who participate in the service project will receive a special ODKF gift. If you are unable to attend Mid Year, but would like to still make a club contribution, please consider making a donation through the ODKF website at ODKF.org.



In Kiwanis Service, James Minter

ODKF President 2022-2023 614-374-3341 ODKFpresident2022@odkf.org











LAST CALL FOR MIDYEAR

Dave Doney, MidYear Chair

DON'T get left out – there is still time to register for MidYear Education Day! Join us on Saturday, March 18 for an exciting day of education, fellowship and of course fun! Kiwanians will be treated to a number of workshops dealing with everything from membership, SLP's, fundraising and Kiwanis International Children's Fund. Governor David and First Lady Laurie Kuhn along with the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation will be sharing about the First Family information Project. Keynote Speaker Jamole Callahan will inspire and motivate with his personal tale of involvement in Ohio's foster care system and his tireless work in helping children currently in foster care. See the FULL workshop schedule on page 12.



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Schedule:

REGISTRATION CLOSES

MARCH 8TH, DON'T MISS

8a-9a Registration Open

9a Opening Session

10-10:45a Workshops

11a-11:45a Workshops

12-1:45p Fellowship Luncheon

2-2:45p Workshops

3-3:45 Workshops

Event concludes after last workshop.



Keynote Speaker: Jamole Callahan













MIDYEAR WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Monica Marsh, Education Chair

Learn from the past to apply to the present and future.

Prepare yourselves and your club to be able to look into the future.

Live in the present, be aware of what is around us.

LEARN TRACK

Kiwanis: A Global Experience – Come hear about some of the signature projects and community engagement activities that Dr. Kip Crain and his wife, Becky Crain have had the pleasure of observing around the world.

Aktion Clubs: get outside of the box – Aktion Club Members will share the story of working with Maggie's & M.O.R.E. A club that is hosted by a business that only hires special needs Adults.

Youth Protection Services – Kiwanis members must know how to protect the youth with whom we serve. This presentation will share the extensive action Kiwanis International has taken to equip Kiwanis Clubs, districts and Service Learning Programs with the tools to provide safety and secure environments for youth.

Make a Difference with ODKF Grants

Club Secretary & Treasurer Panel Discussion: This is an audience driven panel discussion, devoted to answering questions and discussing challenges members may have for the secretary & treasurer positions.

K-Kids & Builders Club, Inspiring Service: Tools and tricks in order that your K-kids and Builders Clubs can continue to serve their respective schools and communities.

PREPARE TRACK

KCF, at your service – The Kiwanis Children's Fund aims to help Kiwanis Clubs extend their impact. In this workshop you will hear ways in which your club can work with KCF.

Why Membership Matters – If a Kiwanis club isn't evolving and improving, it will fail sooner than later. Learn how to strengthen a club while providing service that's relevant and effective.

Strength in Numbers – Looking for innovative membership ideas to boost and strengthen your club? This interactive session will share the latest tools and tips to strengthen clubs through increased membership.











MidYear Workshops(Cont.)

PREPARE TRACK

Signature Projects, they're all the rage – Come hear about the success of a Signature Project from the West Akron Club.

Fostering hope - Continuing the conversation from Jamole's keynote speech, join him and the First Family to share more in-depth about foster care and the First Family Project.

Mental Health Matters - A discussion on adolescent mental health issues.

Website Helpdesk - Stop by during this alloted time for assistance with your club's website. Only for sites that are hosted on KI's wordpress platform. Bring any specific issues that you need help with.

LIVE TRACK

What does inclusion really look like? - This interactive session helps participants to understand what it feels like to be included or perhaps excluded from the conversation.

Risky Business – While Planning for fundraisers and activities, your club must keep an eye toward safety to avoid accidents. This session will help educate you on how to physically protect participants and financially protect your club.

Strengthening the K-Family bonds - Learn some tips how to support and mentor our Service Learning Programs in the 21st Century.

Benefits of ODKF Club Advised Funds

Marketing on a budget: Point blank...if you are not marketing online, you are not doing it right. But what about those that are NOT online? Or not on the online platform you are marketing on? You need a traditional media to back that up! In this session, you will learn how to effectively utilize traditional media, such as radio, billboards, etc., ON A BUDGET!



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.











SPONSORS OF THE 2023 MIDYEAR*

LIVE LEVEL \$500

Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation Manoj and Rupali Sharma, Lt Gov 11-S



PREPARE LEVEL \$250

Anonymous
Craig Smith, 2021-22 District Governor
Kiwanis Clubs of Piqua and Tipp City Area
Alan and Jeri Penn 2011-12 Kiwanis International President and First Lady
Ted Barrows

Cliff Wiltshire/Worthington Spotlight



LEARN LEVEL \$100

Bill & Peggy Flinta
Jim Janosik – District Secretary
Division 5 Past Distinguished LTG Mike Rudolph
Jeff & Jeanne Haas – Jeff is Division 24 Lt. Governor
Daniel Michael Litzinger

David & Laurie Kuhn, Governor and First Lady 2022-2023

John E Coffield, Past District Treasurer

Berea Kiwanis Club

Dick Brulotte, Ohio District Aktion Club Administrator

Kip and Becky Crain

Wayne J. Stein

Steve & Linda Steinbrunner

Kathleen Moylan

Judy Raub, Lieutenant Governor Division 8

Division 13 Ohio Kiwanis

All Ohio eMedina Kiwanis Club - Celebrating 20 years of service

Amy & Sandy Zimmerman

Faith Levine

Steve and Susan Vrooman

Division 10-E (Granville, Heath, New Albany, Newark, Northern & Westerville)

*Through February 23, 2023











NORTHWEST KIWANIS PROVIDES KOMFORT

Craig Smith, Club Secretary

ON February 10th George Falkenbach, Craig Smith, and Mark Garland (not pictured) delivered 24 Komfort Bags to Frieda McKarn with Franklin County Children Services. The backpacks were put together as part of the District's First Family's Project by members of our club.





CKI ADVISOR SPOTLIGHT

CIRCLE K's February Advisor Spotlight was Angela Diduit from Shawnee State University!

Angie has been vital to maintaining SSU Circle K's positive relationship with Portsmouth Kiwanis. As well as the primary reason SSU Circle K has been able to receive assistance from Portsmouth Kiwanis. She also created a connection between SSU Circle K and the Mark Hunter Foundation, through which SSU Circle K has been able to provide hats and gloves to children in Scioto County.

Angie has also helped established SSU Circle K's yearly projects. SSU's Circle K thanks Angie for her hard work and dedication, as without her, they wouldn't be able to reach as a many people.













ICON REGISTRATION OPEN AND CONSIDERING YOUR TRAVEL PLANS

Hasani Wheat - On to International Convention Chair

IF you have not heard already, registration for the Kiwanis International Convention is now open! To register, please go to https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/international-convention/, click on the "Registration is open!" link, and follow the prompts.

Some of you may already be in the midst of planning your trip to Minneapolis. While taking a flight may be the quickest way to get to and from Minneapolis, there are other ways that can save money and will provide a more scenic way to travel.

Some of you will choose to drive or carpool, perhaps making a stop or two along the way. Some of you may even consider taking a bus, whether via a charter bus or Greyhound. If you are in or near the Northeast Ohio area, Amtrak is an option to consider. Right now, prices to book are in the \$100 range to ride in coach to get to and from Minneapolis. There are stops in Elyria, Sandusky, Toledo, and Bryan so this is also an option for those individuals in Northwest Ohio as well.

As always, do not delay in booking your travel since it is likely that prices will increase over the coming weeks and months.













OHIO KIWANIS NEEDS YOU!

Steve Vrooman, Ohio Past Lieutenant Governors' Association 2022-23 President

HAVE you considered serving Kiwanis as a Lieutenant Governor but were reluctant to step forward? Or, you're not sure who to talk to about it? Maybe, you feel you're not qualified. If you're reading this article, you very likely have the initiative and interest in taking this next step in supporting your fellow Kiwanians and the children, families, and communities in your division and in Ohio. Take that step! Serving Kiwanians, children, and communities beyond your Kiwanis club can be a rewarding, enjoyable, and enlightening experience.

Serving as a Lieutenant Governor was one of the most enjoyable service opportunities I've had the honor to share in Kiwanis. It provided the opportunity to meet more Kiwanians in my division and in other parts of the state. I learned much more about the Kiwanis organization and its many programs to serve the children of our community, state, and far beyond. Let's take a look at the list of what you need to be a lieutenant governor.

- · You have the desire to serve others through your division leadership.
- You have a couple of hours per week to address lieutenant governor matters.
- You have served as a Kiwanis club president (most divisions require this).

That's it!

Just as the club president is the leader of the club, the lieutenant governor is the leader of the division. You lead the division by implementing organizational goals; developing and leading a strong division leadership team; and communicating the vision and messages of the organization, the international president, and district governor to the members in your division's clubs. The lieutenant governor works with existing clubs and helps open new clubs to strengthen Kiwanis in his or her division. In communication, resources, education opportunities and information, this position is the connection between the clubs and the global Kiwanis organization.

As Lieutenant Governor, more specifically, you will have the opportunity to:

- visit other clubs in your division and learn, suggest, offer avenues of support, meet great people and, probably, share a meal with the club members.
- attend Ohio District Kiwanis Board meetings as a voting member.
- attend district and international conventions as a representative of your division and state.
- attend Ohio MidYear Education Day with a more focused interest as you look for ideas to help you as a leader.
- work closely with the ODK Governor as you support their goals.
- participate in Lieutenant Governor orientation/training with your District Governor.
- · work with your division leadership to plan and implement division meetings.
- experience the excitement of completing occasional reports of your activities.
- take your Kiwanis involvement to a new level when you connect with others around the state.
- help strengthen clubs and be involved in opening new clubs both leading to support of more kids, families, and communities.
- help improve the Kiwanis experience for Kiwanis members.
- support club officers in your division as they participate in Club Leadership Education.
- attend division club social, fundraising, and community events, your time permitting.
- mentor the division Lieutenant Governor-elect as he/she prepares for and assumes the Lieutenant Governor
 position.

Kids need Kiwanis and your Kiwanis division needs you. Help Kiwanis continue to be an integral part of the communities in your division by stepping up and volunteering to be a Lieutenant Governor. If you have questions about this, please contact your current Lieutenant Governor or contact Steve Vrooman at vrooman@mac.com.











CIRCLE K MARKS 66TH DISTRICT CONVENTION

Claire Feit, Circle K District Bulletin Editor, & Margaret Lee, Governor

THE 66th Annual Ohio District CKI Convention (DCON) was a huge success. A major thank you to the Kiwanis members who supported us and welcomed us as we hosted our DCON at The Ohio State University!

In attendance we had 56 attendees, of which 44 were CKI members. The CKI members represented 7 different clubs which is more than half of our active clubs in the district! Over the course of the weekend, the district held multiple workshops, gave out District awards, elected new District Officers, and celebrated many other things with Circle K members and Kiwanis Family guests from around the District.

WORKSHOPS

We had a variety of topics in workshops, such as grant writing, leadership and vulnerability, branding yourself, food insecurity, vision boards, and mindfulness. We invited local students and professionals in the field to enhance our workshops.

SERVICE PROJECTS & FUNDRAISING

Our members went out on the town to participate in three projects for local Columbus organizations: Franklin County Dog Shelter, Goodwill, and Feeding Hilliard Students. Each benefitted the local communities by assembling dog treats, sorting inventory products and making food packs at their respective locations and food packs for Hillard City Students, and assisting local thrift shops. In addition to the service projects, CKI members raised \$357 through raffle baskets. All of the money from the raffle will be donated to the Circle K UNICEF Project, Brick by Brick, which helps to create a women-led recycling market that will convert Côte d'Ivoire's plastic waste into safe and durable low-cost building materials.

2023-2024 ELECTED DISTRICT OFFICERS

Congratulations to the newly elected Ohio District of CKI board members for the 2023-2024 service year! (Pictured: JW, Yu Ning, and Alesia)

Governor Alesia Tobin Bowling Green State University Secretary-Treasurer Yu Ning Shiu The Ohio State University Bulletin Editor JW Nudelman Bowling Green State University













CIRCLE K (CONT.)





KEY CLUB DLC SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

The 2023 Ohio Key Club District Leadership Conference will take place April 1-2 at the Doubletree Hotel in Worthington. Registration information was sent directly to all advisors. Please consider supporting the event with a sponsorship.

Balloon Artist (\$25): Achieve your childhood dream job of "balloon artist." Don't get carried away while making our Convention dreams come true.

Magician (\$50): Do you know who really helps create the atmosphere and "magic" of the District Leadership Convention? It's you!

The Famous Clown (\$100): We cannot have an event without you, the star of the show. You will be as recognized and loved as a clown, and who doesn't love a good entertainer?

Baker, funnel cake aficionado, or caricaturist (Other \$): Every carnival has a range of jobs, and we need them all. Just like the range of carnival workers, we appreciate your donation of any amount to the District Leadership Convention.

https://k20.site.kiwanis.org/key-club-dlc/













CIRCLE K AWARD WINNERS

The Daniel J. Romanello Achievement Award Gold First - The Ohio State University Silver 2nd - Baldwin Wallace University Bronze 3rd - Bowling Green State University

The Wayne & Laura Enders Ohio Circle of Service Award Jason Miller, Bowling Green Kiwanis

The Lanton Lee Outstanding President Award 1st - Aleisa Tobin, BGSU 2nd - Ashley Workman, Baldwin Wallace 3rd - Yu Ning Shiu, The Ohio State University

The Linda M. Stiegler Outstanding Secretary Award 1st - Jillian Smith, Baldwin Wallace U 2nd - Tricia Cox, Bowling Green State University 3rd - Sadie Hunter, The Ohio State University

The Andrew Littlefield Outstanding Treasurer Award 1st - Anthony Elbon, The Ohio State University 2nd - Hannah Ogden, Baldwin Wallace University

Daniel & Stephani Lemming Membership & Retention Award Aleisa Tobin, Bowling Green State University

Outstanding Vice President Award 1st - Austin Underwood, The Ohio State University 2nd - Cole Harbour, Bowling Green State U 3rd - Cori Slaw, Baldwin Wallace University

Ken Creasey Award Most Improved Club Award
The Ohio State University

Single Service Award

1st - Service Extravaganza/The Ohio State University 2nd - Baldwin Wallace/Operation Christmas Child

3rd - Bowling Green State University/ UNICEF Brick x Brick

The James F. Kneisel Outstanding Kiwanis Sponsor Club 1st - Berea Kiwanis 2nd - Bowling Green Kiwanis 3rd - University Kiwanis

Vision Award for service/academics/career 1st - Aleisa Tobin, Bowling Green State U 2nd - Isabelle Doyle, Baldwin Wallace 3rd - Stuart Lukz, OSU Governor's Service Project Award 1st - The Ohio State University 2nd - Baldwin Wallace University 3rd - Bowling Green State University

The Brian Ritchie Outstanding Club Committee Chairperson Award 1st - Vivian Corey, The Ohio State University 2nd - Lena Pitzer, Bowling Green State University

3rd - Steffi Burdick, Baldwin Wallace, University

Jason Stewart/Walter Sellers Outstanding Member Award 1st - Tricia Cox, Bowling Green State University 2nd - Kay Kay Latimer, Baldwin Wallace University 3rd - Sonia Mustric, The Ohio State University

Anna Marie McGuire, Bulletin Editor/Public Relations Award 1st - Claire Discher, Baldwin Wallace 2nd - Megan Hohman, The Ohio State University

The Erin M. Dillon Outstanding New Member Award 1st - Lena Pitzer, Bowling Green State University 2nd - Steffi Burdick, Baldwin Wallace University 3rd - Kayla McCoy, The Ohio State University

Tom Andrews Award for Leadership 1st - Yu Ning Shiu, The Ohio State University 2nd - Cole Harbour, Bowling Green State University 3rd - Claire Fischer, Baldwin Wallace University

The Kenneth H. Weeks Outstanding Kiwanian Award 1st - John "Jay" McLean, University Kiwanis 2nd - Jason Miller, Bowling Green State U 3rd - Dr. Karen Munroe, Berea Kiwanis

The David Mathias Outstanding Kiwanis Family Achievement Award 1st - Sonia Mustric, The Ohio State University 2nd - Julie Wetzel, Baldwin Wallace University

Outstanding Scrapbook Award 1st - The Ohio State University 2nd - Baldwin Wallace University 3rd - Bowling Green State University

K-Family Achievement 1st - The Ohio State University 2nd - Baldwin Wallace University











HERE WE GROW AGAIN...

YOUR Ohio District Membership team has been busy working on new club building and beginning to help clubs with boosts. And the team knows that Kiwanians in Ohio know lots of other not-yet Kiwanians around the state so they're asking for your help. If you have any referrals for potential members in our new club building areas, please send them to sarah@ohiokiwanis.org with the site name in the subject line. Thanks in advance for helping Kiwanis grow in Ohio to serve more children!



Sites currently in development:

Grand Valley (Orwell area, Ashtabula County) **Linden Area (Franklin County)** Washington Courthouse (Fayette County) West Columbus (Franklin County) New Richmond (Clermont County)

AROUND THE DISTRICT

Articles are taken directly from club Facebook pages.

OXFORD Kiwanis honored the 2022 Citizens of the year(s) during an awards ceremony on February 21. The honorees each received a framed print of uptown Oxford created by local artist Marjorie Bowers and reproduced by Village West Framing and Gallery via grant support from the Oxford Community Foundation.

Pictured L to R: Ann Fuehrer, Citizen of the Years; Shana Rosenberg, Citizen of the Year; Nancy Parkinson, Citizen of the Year; Joel and Melissa Engelhard, Couple of the Years; Kathy Carmean, Citizen of the Years. Not present: Linda Boardman, Citizen of the Years.



THE Sidney Kiwanis Club donated 98 items to the AKtion Club for the Seven County FOOD & ESSENTIALS DRIVE CHALLENGE!

(Shelby, Miami, Auglaize, Darke, Logan, Champaign, and Preble County) February 1st- 28th The Aktion Club for the last four years have partnered with Sidney Alive to fill eggs for Easter. So far the group has filled over 700 eggs and they will finish the rest next month.















Builders Club Week March 20-24 https://www.buildersclub.org/builders-club-week/



Aktion Club Week March 6-10 https://www.aktionclub.org/aktion-club-week/

SPRING INTERN SELECTED

Hello! My name is Hannah Niznik and I am a senior at John Carroll University studying Management and Human Resources with a minor in Italian culture and a concentration on strategic management. I am finishing up my HR studies this semester and then heading to Rome, Italy in August to study abroad for four months to complete my degree. My favorite thing about JCU is the community of learning that I am a part of and all the support I am able to draw from my peers and professors. I am from Mentor, Ohio and have a large family that keeps me very busy. I love spending time with my friends, learning new things to cook, and doing things outside... except when it is freezing! I have a passion for talent acquisition and helping to fill roles within an organization by building relationships and connections with other people. I am so excited to start my program as the Email Marketing Intern and can not wait to grow as an individual and with Kiwanis!



March Board Member Birthdays



















Become the leader your workplace, community and club need. Dive into eight leadership topics with experts in the field. Explore the interactive online modules at your own pace. Then interact with other participants to turn lessons into reality. Become the kind of leader people want to follow.

Participants will:

- Explore the value of servant leadership.
- Discover their personal strengths so they can lead confidently and successfully.
- Strengthen the ability to lead others in a strategic manner.
- Build and manage a strategic plan that works.
- Learn from experts as well as from peers from across the globe.
- Earn a certification of completion.

Participants will take a deep dive into eight leadership topics:

- 1. The qualities of a good leader.
- Methods of communication.
- Planning engaging events.
- Promoting diversity, equality and inclusion throughout a team.
- Working with others.
- Sharing a message.
- Planning for the future.
- Staying focused.

The participation fee is US\$200. Individuals may enroll themselves for Kiwanis Amplify — or a club, division or district may sponsor participants. The participation fee is considered an educational expense, so clubs have the option of paying it from their service accounts.

To learn more or register, visit kiwanis.org/amplify.

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UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS











Kiwanis Club of North Ridgeville













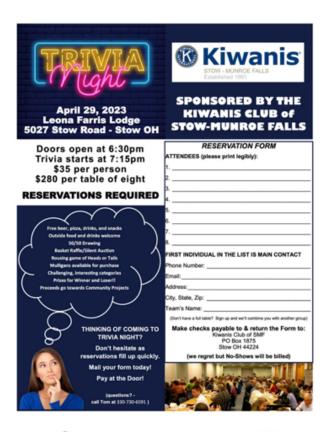
UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS



Music will be from 7:30- 10:00 PM, doors open at 6:30. The music will be provided by "Swing City Big Band" Light snacks will be served with Beer and Wine cash bar, along with other non-alcoholic options.

Lakewood Kiwanis is sponsoring the event to benefit the Lakewood Kiwanis Foundation in support of the children of Lakewood. Our big project this year is to distribute 10,000 books to the children of Lakewood - twice the amount of previous years.











Come see the World Famous

Savannah Bananas

(think of Harlem Globetrotters, but baseball) with your fellow Kiwanian's

Sunday, July 2nd, 2023

Gates open at 5:30pm (SOLD OUT - Get there early!)

Canal Park, Downtown Akron, \$25/per ticket

Learn more about the Bananas and their antics here:

https://thesavannahbananas.com/ Contact Ronald with any questions: RonaldH@KiwanisCF.org

Buy your reserved Kiwanis ticket here:

https://bananas.fansfirsttickets.com/order/group/OhioKiwanis/











FROM THE ARCHIVES

VISITORS to the Kiwanis International Office used to receive a booklet commemorating their visit. Here are a few pages from one that we have in the District Office.





welcome to your general office!

We of the General Office Staff join in extending to you the traditional right hand of Kiwanis fellowship. It is always a pleasure to meet Kiwanians from out of town, and we hope you will not hesitate to let us know if there is anything we can do to make your stay in Chicago more enjoyable.

Every year some 3000 Kiwanians pay us a visit. We try to show each man how the General Office is related to the individual club, and we sincerely hope you will carry this thought home with you. Please tell the members of your club about this visit and encourage them to stop in at 520 North Michigan Avenue whenever business or vacation travel brings them to Chicago. Cordially,

International Secretary



Come rain or shine, summer or winter, every working day at least ten Kiwanians hang their Stetsons and park their suitcases by the reception desk here at 520 North Michigan Avenue. Some stop between trains. Others hurry up by taxi between convention sessions at downtown hotels. And some even interrupt fishing trips and family reunions in order to shake hands and make the rounds. What is it that attracts all these good Kiwanians? Why did you yourself come to see us? Perhaps you had a yearning for Kiwanis fellowship like you enjoy back home every week. Or maybe you wanted to make up a meeting, or talk with a member of the staff. But the most probable reason - the one that draws most of the 3000 visitors every year - is simply this: 520 North Michigan is your Kiwanis office. Here is the nerve center of our great. organization. Here is the place where Kiwanis makes its home.





... He was the _______ Kiwanian to sign the official register this year. On

9 clubs with a total of 250, 2/2 members. His host at the General Office







