

# **South County K-NEWS**

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NEXT MEETING February 2, 2022 Fun Meeting 12:30 pm

**JANUARY 2022** 

Jan 26 - Board/Business Meeting.

#### **FEBRUARY**

**Feb 2** - Fun Meeting.

**Feb 9** - Two Outstanding Students and their parents.

**Feb 16** - Brainstorming ideas for fundraising.

Feb 23 - Board/Business Meeting.

11 members and no guests present. Louann opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and Pauline followed with the Invocation. Today was the induction of our new member, Linda Kuchar. Rick performed the induction and everyone is thrilled to have Linda as a member. Connie was Linda's sponsor. Pauline spoke with Carla this past week and Pauline said she sounded really good and is much better. No one heard any updates about Judy but we are hoping she is now home.

Rick read the minutes from the past Board Meeting. They were accepted and approved. Louann went over the balances on the Treasurer's Report which was also accepted and approved. Louann asked that we talk to Connie about any ideas we may have for our "fun meeting day."

Louann reviewed this year's club goals:

- 1. Charter a Builders Club: Participation has been very low. Chad indicated that the lack of participation by students and staff may be due to the many new activities offered to the students with funding from ESSR (millions of dollars from the government). Teachers are also receiving twice the pay for tutoring through this funding. It will continue for another two years. Louann told Mary that it was OK to discontinue trying to build this club however, Nora, Mary's daughter, is not ready to give up. Nora is continuing to talk with teachers and fellow students. Thank you, Nora, for all your efforts!!!!
- 2. Add three new members: This goal has been met.
- 3. **Each member to have a job:** There is only one job opening and that is the presenter for the Terrific Kids program. Pauline has been doing this for many years and is looking for a replacement.

Meetings: Wednesdays – 12:30pm - Frailey's Southtown - 4329 Butler Hill Rd. 63128 (at I-55) - 314-892-1866

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- 4. **Create a Club Website:** Katie has completed this project and just needs to add pictures and upcoming events. We all need to keep her abreast of what is happening in the club.
- 5. Obtain Distinguished Club recognition: Still to be accomplished.

Louann talked about the Kiwanis Education Day March 12 in St. Louis. It will be held at Logan College and she plans to attend. All members are invited to attend. Cost is \$35.00 per person which will be paid for by the club. Louann said that on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> we will brainstorm for fundraising ideas. Please keep this in mind and come prepared to share ideas. Ed suggested that everyone archive the zoom instructions as he will not continually send them out. Also, please remember that you must notify Connie in advance to prepare for a zoom meeting.

**Happy Dollars:** All members were happy for our new member, Linda Kuchar.

**50/50: Drawing** - Pauline. **Lottery Ticket** - Shirley.

Thanks to Jeanne for taking the notes of today's meeting.

### **Meeting Cancellation Policy**

This winter we will again follow the Mehlville School District Snow Day policy if inclement weather should occur on one of our meeting days. If the Mehlville School District declares a snow day or a virtual instruction day, our meeting will also be cancelled. In other words, if the students do not go to school, neither will we go to our meeting. On questionable days, tune in to the TV or radio for school district cancellation announcements.

#### **Member News**

**Roy Wunsch** is still scheduled for total knee replacement surgery on February 7 in the early AM. The doctors have told him that he will be going home the same day as they are trying to keep overnight hospital stays to a minimum during the COVID surge. **Judy Burnette** is finally home. This is after hip surgery and rehab. She is still receiving some rehab at her home. **Sherry Stevenson** continues to have problems with her knee. Please keep our members and their families in your thoughts and prayers for full and speedy recoveries.

## Builders Club Meeting Builders Club meets every other Wednesday at Bernard Middle School at 6:30pm

Builders Club met on 12/1 at Bernard. 4 students in attendance. Students decorated holiday cards that will be sent to active duty US military through the USO. Students from the Chamois Youth Fellowship also made cards that will be delivered along with those from Builders Club. We are delivering nearly 50 cards.

Plans are in place for a small holiday party at the next meeting on 12/15. In January, we will start distributing pencils through the libraries at both Washington and Bernard Middle Schools. They will have a note attached with mission and meeting dates/times. Hoping we recruit some new students this way.

# Oakville HS Key Club News OHS Key Club meets twice a month on the $2^{nd}$ & $4^{th}$ Mondays, 2:15pm, library.

Our January 24 meeting today was our second meeting of the month. We once again promoted our instagram account @oakville\_keyclub. Our next meeting is on 2/14, Valentine's Day, and we will have a service project where we write Valentine's Day cards for residents at the Bethesda nursing home. We are still collecting tab tops! And members are still continuing to collect hours. We have a service project in the works for raising money at the Oakville Band Sponsored Craft fair, but nothing is finalized yet.

Anna Brand, Secretary

Mehlville HS Key Club News MHS Key Club meets once a month, usually on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday, but sometimes on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 2:15pm, library

Mehlville High School's monthly Key Club meeting for January was held on January 6 after school.

At this meeting, we discussed our plans for the second semester of school. After discussing as a group, we came up with a lot of interactive ideas that we believe will positively impact the community. Our first idea is to start delivering soda tab bags on the week of the 24th during TAP classes. Additionally, we are planning on holding a book drive during the spring. Finally, we are going to reach out to Mehlville's Robotics Club to use their mini golf set for an event (the details are yet to be decided).

In addition, we celebrated the success of our most recent service project, (local animal shelter) as we ended up raising \$214! The success of this event has motivated all of us to work as hard as possible to make a positive impact within our community. This is an exciting time for all of us and we are so grateful for the opportunity to leverage our amazing partnership with Kiwanis to help make the world a better place.

Thank you Kiwanis!

Alex Norrenberns, Vice-President

### JANUARY/FEBRUARY

**Birthdays:** Judy Burnette - 1/1

Steve Dodson, Honorary Member - 1/18

Carla Rowell - 2/3 Shirley Zoellner -2/12 Connie Kuchar - 2/14 Pauline Roth - 2/18

**Anniversaries:** None in January.

Vern & Carolyn Langenfeld – 2/8/97

Ed & Carol Kurmann 2/12/66

Shirley Zoellner - 1/10/2008 Bridgeton Kiwanis **Kiwanis Anniversaries:** 

10/9/2012 South County Kiwanis

Bill Leonard - 1/30/2013 Pauline Roth - 1/30/2013 Linda Hoppe – 2/14/2020 Lee Bodendicek -2/15/2010Mary Howard - 2/20/2002



Linda Kuchar, our newest member was inducted into our club at our Board/ Business Meeting by our Secretary and Past Division 9 Lt. Gov. Rick Kircher. Linda's sponsor is her sister-in-law, Connie Kuchar.



The Kiwanis Club of South County - St. Louis recently honored the following students from Oakville Elementary School in the Mehlville School District as Terrific Kids for showing great improvement in attendance, grades, academics, behavior, or some other area as determined by their teachers. Pictured from the left, the three students are Estelle Templin, Chase Hagan, Ayana Memisevic Not pictured is Delilah Lopez. In the back row are Kiwanian Pauline Roth and Oakville Elementary School Principal Dr. Meagan Ochoa.