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Mid-Winter & CKI DCON February 7-9, 2025 Hood River, Oregon

District Convention August 21-24, 2025 Grand Ronde, Oregon



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Club Anniversaries

CONGRATULATIONS to the following club celebrating their Club anniversaries this next quarter! Please contact the club directly for its celebration information.

South Bend Kiwanis Club in South Bend, WA on the occasion of their 100th anniversary on October 14, 2024!

"The spirit of teamwork turns ordinary players into extraordinary champions."

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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Happy Kiwanis New Year! I hope you'll take time to read through this issue — it's truly loaded with upcoming events, club growth information, words from our district leaders and a good number of club service articles. Be sure to peruse the convention photo pages — find yourself or take in all the fun that happened! I hope you're ready to hit the ground running and have a great deal of fun and satisfaction in your club projects and new member recruitment.

Look for the new 2024-2025 Membership Webinar Series and register to attend any that interests you. You will get ideas to add club members and perhaps decide to join the PNW Growth Team to help in your area. The First Lady's Foster Kids Project was an amazing success at district convention and a new First Gent Project will be announced soon.

And, last, "new year – new hidden icon" – the first person to send me the page number where it's hiding wins a prize! Congrats to Carla Sue from the Kiwanis Club of Port Angeles – Olympic for finding the July Aladdin within a half hour.

That's it for this time - hope you find great ideas to implement in YOUR club!

Melanie Bozak, Builder Magazine Editor 2024-2025 - mabozak@gmail.com

From the Dugout...

In case you haven't heard, my name is Vicki Frucci, a member of the Spokane Valley and Cascadia clubs. I'm honored to serve as your 2024-25 Governor of the Pacific Northwest District of Kiwanis. My theme is T.E.A.M.S. (Together Everyone Accomplishes More Service).

Because most know what baseball is, and Kiwanians have a similar passion for volunteering as the players do for playing baseball, I thought it would be fun to relate our Kiwanis teams and activities o baseball.

Whether you are a seasoned volunteer or a rookie, I'm excited to have you on our team.

I hope you had a great summer and are looking forward to the new lineup for the Fall. Along with changes that might be happening at the local level, there are some at the District level as well. Governor Nicholas is now Immediate Past Governor, I am your 2024-25 Governor, and a newcomer to the Executive Leadership team is John Flaherty as your 024-25 Governor-Elect.

Lt. Governor Duane Davidson is Class President of the 2024-25 Lt. Governors team, who chose their team's name to be "Dream Team." The team will be an excellent resource for all clubs across the District.

Highlights from the teams visited recently include:

- o Steilacoom Club, in Steilacoom, WA
 - A club with 187 members packed the room with about a third of their membership in person and an excellent presentation about the Young Life program by Eddie Johnson.
- o Puyallup Club, Puyallup, WA
 - 2024-2025 Lt. Governor Wike Boisture delivered an excellent program titled "What Do Lt. Governors Do?". A great idea to introduce and share what his new role is and what it can mean and do for clubs.
- O Grants Pass Club, Grants Pass, OR
 - It was a fun event while retiring outgoing and installing incoming
 officers. They also had some very well-thought-out, and personalized awards
 they gave officers and volunteers. Great turnout and food.
- o Caveman Club, Grants Pass, OR
 - "50-year Anniversary", very well attended with many current, past, and friends
 of members. Games, food, and great sharing of what their club has done and is
 doing over the past 50 years in their community.
 CONGRATULATIONS!

So now it's time to take the field and start writing the next Chapter of the PNW Kiwanis District. Be present, confident, and positive to your communities and your T.E.A.M.S.





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Find the baseball player.

The first person to send the page number where the player was found wins a prize.

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Pacific Northwest District Convention Recap

The 2024 PNW District Convention in Wenatchee was a huge success! With over 160 attendees, including Kiwanians from across the district and special guest International Trustee Trinidad P. "Toto" Gonzales from the Philippines, the event was filled with engaging workshops, inspiring speakers, and valuable networking opportunities.

Highlights included the Bus Tour, informative training sessions, and a memorable keynote address. Attendees left energized and equipped with new tools to enhance their clubs and communities. Special thanks to the planning committee and volunteers who made this event possible! Looking forward to seeing everyone next year! A link to the photos taken by photographer David Cowan is available on the DCON page on our website.

-David Pearson, District Secretary/Administrator



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PREMIERE AWARD RECIPIENTS!

Sylvester Neal "Bigfoot" Award - Mitch Cunningham
Lee Price Distinguished Chair Award - Vicki Frucci
Mel Dennis Outstanding Secrectary Award - Maureen Bell
Jack Delf Distinguished Service Award - Willie Stewart
Governor's Cup Award - Susan Meyer

CKI FALL EVENT

Join us for SUMMIT 2024 - November 8-10

Warm Beach Camp Stanwood Washington located on the Amtrak line from Vancouver to Portland.

CKI members will enjoy some fellowship, training and a service project with other CKI members from the PNW.

Registration will be on the PNW Kiwanis website.







AT DISTRICT CONVENTION IN WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON – AUGUST 22-25, 2024 WE ASSEMBLED NEEDED ITEMS TO BE DELIVERED TO AKIN TO SUPPORT THEIR FAMILY AID PROGRAMS.

We had many donations, children's clothes and Hygiene items and more diapers (assembled 50 big bags of goodies) and many more diaper boxes ages 1-6.

Thank you PNW members for your monetary and goodies donations. Many thanks also go to the Port Townsend club who donated boxes of games and puzzles.

The Children's home society of Washington recently merged with Childhaven and together they rebranded themself as "Akin".

The merger brought together two of the oldest and largest non-profit social service agencies in Washington State. Akin is focusing their efforts on prevention and supports to families before they fall into crisis. They hope to become a safety net that supports families in difficult times and help them avoid involvement in child welfare and juvenile justice.

~Maria Hafez, First Lady 2023-2024



CLUB SERVICE SHOWCASE

Moses Lake Signature Project

The photo shows members of the Kiwanis Club of Moses Lake receiving a symbolic check from Columbia Basin Foundation for the club's signature project – BARGAS (Bicycle Activities, Repairs, Giveaways and Skills). BARGAS 2024 was held at a school in Moses Lake on September 28; a joint effort of Kiwanis, a trail planning team and the City of Moses Lake. This year, over 20 bikes and trikes were raffled off; many flat tires fixed; free helmets given away and participants practiced cycling on a course, after reviewing safety rules. Over 30 volunteers helped prepare for BARGAS 2024 or helped at the event.



Pullman Playground Equipment

The City of Pullman held a ribbon cutting for the dedication of Mary's Park in Pullman. The park is for children of all abilities. The Pullman club provided approximately \$35,000 to purchase playground equipment suitable for children of both limited and full abilities. It has proven to be a very popular park with the children of Pullman. Pullman Kiwanians are delighted to have been able to help make the park a reality. Club President Bob Clark is pictured cutting the ribbon in the photo dated 9/12/24.

~Devon Felsted, Lt. Governor

Montavilla & A Heart of Service

The Montavilla Kiwanis Club has been a gem in the Portland community since the 1930s. At a recent club meeting, it was my pleasure to present the new PNW Foundation Jewell & Carol Bailey "Heart For Service Fellowship" medallions to them, with the medallions bearing their names at their Montavilla club meeting.

Jewell has been a Kiwanian for 62 years, helped the District in many ways through the years and Carol, a dedicated Kiwanian, is and was always at his side.

The Montavilla club helped with the creation of the Mount Hood Kiwanis camp in Rhododendron, Oregon. Thank you, Jewell and Carol for your dedication and your passion to Kiwanis and to your community.

You are definitely the "Power of Community".

-Nicholas Hafez, Immediate Past Governor





2024-2025 International & PNW District Regular Dues Schedule

The rates for the 2024-2025 Administrative year are as follows:

		KI US\$	KI CN\$	PNW USD\$	PNW CDN\$	
	Pro-ration	Dues	Dues	Dues	Dues	Club Dues
October		\$107.00	\$147.82	\$49.00	67.69	?
November	11/12ths	\$98.08	\$135.50	\$44.92	62.05	?
December	10/12ths	\$89.17	\$123.18	\$40.83	56.41	?
January	9/12ths	\$80.25	\$110.86	\$36.75	50.77	?
February	8/12ths	\$71.33	\$98.55	\$32.67	45.13	?
March	7/12ths	\$62.42	\$86.23	\$28.58	39.49	?
April	6/12ths	\$53.50	\$73.91	\$24.50	33.85	?
May	5/12ths	\$44.58	\$61.59	\$20.42	28.20	?
June	4/12ths	\$35.67	\$49.27	\$16.33	22.56	?
July	3/12ths	\$26.75	\$36.96	\$12.25	16.92	?
August	2/12ths	\$17.83	\$24.64	\$8.17	11.28	?
September	1/12ths	\$8.92	\$12.32	\$4.08	5.64	?

Total dues = Kiwanis International (KI) + either PNW USD\$ or Canadian \$ + Club dues Each club decides for themselves what to charge.

The Kiwanis International Canadian Dollar exchange rate for 2024-2025 is CAD 1.3815.

\$77 - Dues

\$13 - General Liability/ Risk Management Insurance

\$8 - Publications

\$5 - Risk Management Fee

\$4 - Directors and Officers Insurance

\$107 Kiwanis International dues

\$46 - Dues

\$3 - Member Convention Assessment

\$49 PNWK District dues

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

As your District Membership Coordinators, we have a very large job – perhaps one of the busiest in the District. We have renamed it to the District Growth Team: using a team approach helps cover ALL areas -- work smarter, not harder!

WHAT IS THIS PNW DISTRICT GROWTH TEAM?

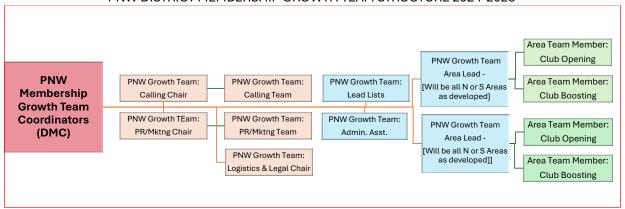
- See the chart below this is new for 2024-2025 and we think it will work better and the team will like it!
- · Skills for the team
 - 1. Knowledge/experience in all parts of membership cross-trained = cross-support
 - · Ability in all areas but specialize in one
 - 2. Team-building and cohesiveness ESSENTIAL
 - Team members have different skill sets that are needed in all areas
 - 3. Creative thinking
- · The team approach also applies to the club membership committee: Team approach can/should also be applied
 - 1. Room for many members on the team
 - New member recruitment/follow-up
 - Orientation/inclusion
 - Induction
 - · Ongoing new member & division coaching
 - Annual roster analysis, community analysis, club survey, socials

WE NEED YOU!

- · Who makes an excellent team member?
 - 1. Passionate to help grow Kiwanis
 - 2. Willing/able to help in local regions for either or both club openings and club boosting
 - 3. If not able to work in the field, perhaps administrative help
 - 4. Past LTGs, Past presidents, club membership chairs

PNW-South Membership Chair - Lonnie Johnson, (541) 659-1832, damaro@budget.net PNW-North Membership Chair - Melanie Bozak, (360) 531-1329, mabozak@gmail.com

PNW DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP GROWTH TEAM STRUCTURE 2024-2025



PNW Membership Growth Team: Roles & Responsibilities

PNW Membership Growth Team Coordinators (Melanie-North; Lonnie-South): District chairs for entire PNW

PNW Growth Team: Calling Chair – {Michael McCay}: leads new club openings & club boosting needs for entire PNW; needs a small team. PNW Growth Team: PR/Mktng Chair – {Mary Crozier?}: leads social media & graphics needs for Growth Team; needs a small team.

PNW Growth Team: Logistics & Legal Chair {Bob Munger}: leads new clubs and closing clubs with all requirements and legal information about both. Note: would like to add and assistant for future needs & training.

PNW Growth Team Lead Lists – {N- none; S- Debbie Johnson}: <u>creates Google doc form of location contacts for calling team and assists with updating/maintaining</u>; needs good skills for internet searching and as excel user.

PNW Growth Team Admin. Asst. – {none} Assists DMCs with any website searches, contacts made with Growth Team Area Leads, meeting arrangements and other assistance as requested.

PNW Growth team Area leads – {several identified – will be developed for all areas of the district to reduce DMCs' workload, provide local information and assistance to new clubs and help strengthen small clubs who request it; will reduce travel time & expense} Works with a team of local area members either New Club Opening or Club Boosting or both with a more regional approach to club growth and assistance.

Area Team Member - Club Opening & Club Boosting – works within a local team as needed, specifically in the field, and on phone/zoom calls with club before, during and after work for the club.

MEMBERSHIP WEBINAR SERIES



CLUB OPENING AND CLUB COACHING TRAINING MEMBERSHIP CHAIR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR EDUCATION

BUILD. NURTURE. RETAIN. Kick-off week

Week of October 21, 2024, every day at 1 p.m. Eastern

Live presentations will be recorded and posted on Membership Leaders Facebook page.

- Monday, October 21 Build. Nurture. Retain. Register
- Tuesday, October 22 Club boosts Register
- Wednesday, October 23 Open houses and guest days Register
- Thursday, October 24 reMember campaigns Register
- Friday, October 25 Two For Two Register

BUILD: Club opening and new club coaching training

Second Monday and Tuesday every other month at 8 p.m. Eastern Live presentations will be recorded and posted on Membership Leaders Facebook page.

October

- o Club Opening Monday, October 14, 2024 Register
- Club Coaching Tuesday, October 15, 2024 Register

December

- Club Opening Monday, December 9, 2024 Register
- o Club Coaching Tuesday, December 10, 2024 Register

February

- o Club Opening Monday, February 10, 2025 Register
- o Club Coaching Tuesday, February 11, 2025 Register

April

- o Club Opening Monday, April 14, 2025 Register
- o Club Coaching Tuesday, April 15, 2025 Register

June

- o Club Opening Monday, June 9, 2025 Register
- o Club Coaching Tuesday, June 10, 2025 Register

August

- o Club Opening Monday, August 11, 2025 Register
- Club Coaching Tuesday, August 12, 2025 Register

Membership online resources

kiwanis.org/membership kiwanis.org/clubopening kiwanis.org/clubstrengthening



MEMBERSHIP WEBINAR SERIES



CONTINUED

RETAIN: Webinar series for club membership chairs

Third Wednesday every other month at 8 p.m. Eastern Time Live presentations will be recorded and posted on <u>Membership Leaders Facebook page</u>.

- October 16, 2024 Register
 Membership value Two dozen reasons to belong to Kiwanis
- **December 18, 2024** <u>Register</u> Be "Clubtastic"...invite, induct, inform and involve members!
- **February 19, 2025** <u>Register</u> The forgotten art of onboarding
- April 16, 2025 Register Are you a 'clique' or a club?
- June 18, 2025 <u>Register</u>
 Identity and nurture future club leaders
- August 20, 2025 Register Battling club apathy

NURTURE: Webinar series for lieutenant governors

Third Wednesday every other month at 8 p.m. Eastern Time Live presentations will be recorded and posted on <u>Membership Leaders Facebook page</u>.

- November 20, 2024 Register

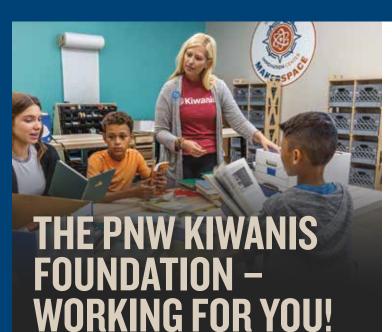
 Buddy-up for greater lieutenant governor success
- January 15, 2025 Register
 Math for membership: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- March 19, 2025 Register

 A retention challenge for your division
- May 21, 2025 <u>Register</u> Holding clubs accountable for membership
- July 16, 2025 Register
 Ways to engage clubs "in name only?"
- **September 17, 2025** <u>Register</u> Promoting Kiwanis in every community in your division and beyond

Membership online resources

kiwanis.org/membership kiwanis.org/clubopening kiwanis.org/clubstrengthening





The Pacific Northwest Foundation is YOUR key to a better future for your communities and for the members of the Student Leadership Programs you support. We offer grants to clubs with dreams to improve their communities and scholarships to Key Club seniors and CKI members as they continue their educational journeys. Every year the Foundation receives far more grant requests and scholarship applications than it can fund. And, while we are here to fulfill club and student dreams, our dream is to double the number of grants and scholarships we can award each year.

You can help us achieve that goal through the purchase of one of the several Fellowships, awards or plaques the foundation offers for you to honor club or community members. These awards can be used to honor an outgoing club president, a club or community member whose service has gone above and beyond or another manner your club designates. Best of all - your donations stay right here in the PNW growing our Kiwanis reach.

THE PNW KIWANIS FOUNDATION IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE

THE JEWELL AND CAROL BAILEY HEART FOR SERVICE FELLOWSHIP.

ONE COUPLE

+
TWO HEARTS FOR SERVICE

=
A TREMENDOUS IMPACT!



Jewell and Carol Bailey have given of their time and hearts not only to their local Portland club but also decades of service to the PNW Foundation; Jewell as the Foundation Secretary for many years and Carol faithfully staffing the Foundation booth at every mid-winter and DCON for decades.

This year the Foundation is rolling out a new Fellowship award honoring the Baileys service. Your gift of \$500 to the PNW Kiwanis Foundation honoring the Baileys giving hearts enables the Foundation to award more grants and scholarships.

TOGETHER WE CAN HELP CLUB AND STUDENT DREAMS COME TRUE.

Consider making a club or individual gift to the Foundation. \$500 will honor someone with a Bailey Fellowship. Other awards and fellowships are available for donations as little as \$100.



Scan the QR code to link to our awards or visit pnwkiwanisfoundation.org/donations

HELPING MAKE CLUB AND STUDENT DREAMS COME TRUE

If you have recently sent a gift, we thank you for your support!



I would like to give \$500 to receive or
honor someone with a Jewell and Carol
Bailey Fellowship.

Our club would like to make a gift to the
Foundation in the amount of \$

Fellowship Recipient's Name:	

Club / Donor Name: __

To make a gift, clip this form and send a check payable to the PNW Kiwanis Foundation to: PNWKF Secretary Dick Steiner, 3990 Ben Hogan Drive, Redmond, OR 97756

CLUB SERVICE SHOWCASE

Kids Night at The Ballpark in Fairbanks, Alaska

TThe children of Fairbanks, Alaska, gather their ball caps, grab their gloves, and practice catching a home run or foul ball. At the same time, the Kiwanis Club of Fairbanks, Alaska, is hard at work making the final preparations to host the Second Annual Kids Night at the Ballpark on June 22nd, 2024.



Kids Night at the Ballpark occurs the day after the great spectacle known as the Midnight Sun Baseball Game. That game brings baseball fans from around the world and is held at 10PM on the Summer Solstice. The game begins well past the bedtimes of most children in the local area. The Kiwanis Club of Fairbanks recognized this and began coordination with the Alaska Goldpanners organization to provide an equally unique and fun experience at an early 5pm matinée time, specific for youth of the community.



During the game, the youth are provided with a free meal that includes either a hot dog or hamburger, a bag of chips or popcorn, and a bottle of water. Upon free entry for families, Kiwanians welcome the entrants, hand out meal and raffle tickets to the kids. The families get to pick the seat in the ballpark that they believe is the most coveted to

watch and cheer the home team. During the game, raffle numbers for youth centered prizes are called out over the loudspeaker. Raffle winners receive prizes such as gift cards for ice cream, video games, toy stores, sports equipment, or a coveted Kiwanis Christmas tree gift certificate. As if



that were not enough, Kiwanians grabbed club t-shirts and tossed them into a cheering crowd. With the excitement of the seventh inning stretch, the grand prize drawing for one lucky youth is announced. A team-signed Goldpanners jersey, a Goldpanners Baseball Cap, a sports equipment gift certificate, and a Kiwanis t-shirt is presented to the winning youth. As the cheering ramps down and the game concludes,



the youth of the community begin to depart the ballpark. Smiles from ear to ear can be seen, new friends have been made, the Kiwanis mission to serve youth completed, and the hope that next year will be just as fun and amazing.

The memories that were made at the Kids Night at the Ballpark, presented by the Kiwanis Club of Fairbanks, Alaska, will forever be remembered by the youth impacted in such a positive way by this event.

-Michael LaDouceur Club President,



PNW KIWANIS GROUP CRUISE on the Beautiful Princess Majestic of the Sea Cruising along the Eastern Caribbean including St Thomas.

January 3, 2026 to January 11, 2026

PLEASE SHARE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY!

100% of Commission made will go back to the PNW.

ITINERARY

Port of Departure, Fort Lauderdale

Sunday: at Sea

Monday: Amber Cove, Dominican Republic

Tuesday: San Juan, Puerto Rico

Wednesday: St Maarten

Thursday: St Thomas, Virgin Islands

Friday: At Sea

Saturday: At Sea

Sunday: Disembark at Fort Lauderdale

ACCOMMODATIONS

Double Occupancy Interior starting at \$989.00 per person, Ocean View starting at \$1,429.00 per person and Balcony starting at \$1,529.00 per person.

Secure your spot for \$250 with full payment due by October 5, 2025 (USD) all other fees included.

Single Occupancy Interior starting at \$1,788.00, Ocean View \$2,668.00 and Balcony starting at \$2,868.00.

Secure your spot for \$250 with full payment due by October 5,2025 (USD) all other fees included.

To add Plus Package, add \$60.00 per person/per day.

Plus Package includes for the 1st and 2nd booked guest: Wi-Fi; Drink Package; Crew Appreciation, 2 premium desserts per day; Unlimited room service and two fitness classes.

Please contact Cindy Crowther at Blue Skys Travel (541) 419-9890 or 20blueskys@gmail.com

CLUB SERVICE SHOWCASE

Mid-Columbia River Division Getting Things Done

The following items were taken in part from the last newsletter written by Don Gibbard, Division Lt. Governor, Mid-Columbia River Division, and 2023-2024 Class President – an interesting look at the many projects being done by Kiwanians in the PNW and representative of what is being provided to the children and communities all around this great district. (Editor)

Richland Kiwanis Club - Everyday Hero Award

The Juvenile Justice Center Library is a signature project for the club. Originating in 2002, with Columbia club, Tri City Industry club and Richland clubs, club members provide staffing and coordinating the array of library books and magazines for the young adults at the detention center. When Columbia club disbanded, members Marlene Schweighardt and Ken Brutzman continued to volunteer. The Tri City Industry club provides volunteers with Bill Glenn, now in charge, continuing for Paula. Bette Evans, Syd and Rebecca Koegler, with substitutes Jerry Greenfield, Ralph Curran and Kae Hopkins (who recently no longer volunteers) staff the library from the Richland club. During COVID, library services were minimal and the clubs, through Bette Evans, could deliver materials to a contact person in the parking lot to be taken inside. It was that person, Linda Brown, that the club honored with an Everyday Hero Award, which was presented by Bette Evans, at the July 24 club meeting.

Kennewick Kiwanis Club - Community Service Committee

For our fiscal year 2023-2024, our committee wanted to start an annual Signature Project and we chose Grace Clinic for our first year's project. Grace Clinic has been in the Tri-Cities since 2002. They offer free medical, dental, and mental health services to the uninsured in Benton and Franklin Counties. After meeting with the Clinic Director, we determined that there were four main areas in their clinic that our club could help them in. We then supported one area per fiscal quarter. Last Fall, we purchased enough office supplies to fill the back of three SUV's. Supplies included general office products and cleaning supplies, medical office and equipment cleaning supplies, printer ink cartridges, and more. Winter quarter, we addressed the medical needs of their diabetic patients. We purchased glucometers and blood pressure machines, as well as several cases of glucose test strips. For the Spring quarter, we moved on to their dental clinic. We provided hundreds of toothbrushes, floss, dental picks, and tubes of toothpaste. We also raised enough money for them to purchase an Amalgum Separator, which is required by the State. Amalgam separators are devices designed to capture amalgam particles from dental office wastewater through sedimentation, filtration, centrifugation, or a combination of these mechanisms. Finally, for Summer quarter, we helped them stock provisions for their newly expanded and upgraded Food Pantry. We provided a variety of dried and canned goods, as well as fresh and frozen food items. For our upcoming 2024-2025 fiscal year, we are in the process of choosing a new "signature" project from the many other worthy service organizations in our community.

Horse Heaven Hills Kiwanis Club - iCan Bike Camp

The club completed their annual week-long iCan Bike Camp event at Southridge Sports Complex. It's a focused opportunity for special needs participants to become comfortable controlling a bike. They begin indoors with specially constructed bikes and quickly acquire confidence, balance, and control. By the end of the week, almost all are able to ride a regular two-wheeler outside in a safe space. August also included the Benton Franklin Fair and Rodeo week, where he club staffed the two information booths again this year. Also in summer, the club also operates the J&S Dreamland express in Columbia Park on weekends through Labor Day.

Dayton Kiwanis Club - New Member Competition & National Night Out

Dayton Kiwanis Club reported four new individuals submitted their applications for membership to the club over the summer. There was a challenge presented to the existing membership to sponsor new members. A cash prize was awarded for the one who recruits the most new members. The competition was intense!

On a Tuesday evening in August, the Kiwanis Club and the Lions Club joined forces to cook and serve free hotdogs to folks attending the annual National Night Out event at the Dayton City Park – a great opportunity for both clubs to exhibit their service to the folks of the community. The Kiwanis club was invited to participate in the first Dayton Music Festival in August by cooking and selling hamburgers, hot dogs and soft drinks; a new opportunity for a fundraiser for the club. Last, in support of the Columbia County Fair, the club again supported the youth of the community with a contribution to the annual 4H and FFA livestock 14 sale. It is always exciting to receive the notes of appreciation from the youth!

2024-25 RECOGNITION PROGRAM

For Kiwanis International clubs, members, divisions and districts



Distinguished club recognition

ACHIEVEMENT QUALIFICATIONS

Club must:

- Earn at least 100 points to reach distinguished status.
- Be in good standing with Kiwanis International and the district by the end of the administrative year (September 30).
- Be at least at charter strength in membership by the end of the administrative year (October 10).

1. MEMBERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT

1.1	Develop a membership plan that includes at least one recruitment event. Kiwanis International provides an online membership form that is accessible to the lieutenant governor. 2024-25 membership plans are due by October 31, 2024.	5 points
1.2	Recruit at least four (4) new members into the club.	15 points
1.3	Achieve a net gain of at least two (2) members.	20 points
1.4	Sponsor or co-sponsor a new Kiwanis club.	10 points
1.5	Appoint a club membership chairperson at the start of the administrative year. Membership chair should be submitted on the club election report.	5 points
1.6	Complete at least one Achieving Club Excellence (ACE) tool. Self-reported.	5 points

60 points

2. LEADERSHIP & EDUCATION

2.1	Club president, secretary, treasurer and membership chair participate in Club Leadership Education or similar training coordinated by division, district or international educational leaders prior to taking office in 2024-25.	10 points
2.2	Members attend the 2025 district, regional or international conventions. Self-reported.	5 points
2.3	At least one members participates in Kiwanis Amplify.	5 points

20 points

3. COMMUNITY IMPACT

3.1	Submission of a club signature project in the 2025 Kiwanis International Signature Project Contest.	5 points
3.2	Continue or start a club annual signature project. Self-reported.	5 points
3.3	Sponsorship of one or more Kiwanis Service Leadership Programs (Aktion Club, Builders Club, Circle K International, Key Club, K-Kids) or one of the following programs: Terrific Kids, Bring Up Grades or Key Leader.	15 points
3.4	Support (through service or donation) another local organization focusing on the needs of children. <i>Self-reported</i> .	5 points

30 points

4. FINANCIAL VIABILITY

4	l.1	Donate at least US\$10 per member to the Kiwanis Children's Fund or national/district Kiwanis foundation.	10 points
4	1.2	Donate at least US\$20 per member to the Kiwanis Children's Fund or national/district Kiwanis foundation.	5 points
4	1.3	Complete a club fundraising project to support the club's annual financial goals. Self-reported.	5 points

20 points

5. BRANDING & IMAGE

5.1	Establish or maintain an active partnership with an official Kiwanis partner or a local partner. Self-reported.	5 points
5.2	Receive positive media coverage (print, television, social media) for a signature or other service project. Self-reported.	5 points
5.3	Complete Youth Protection Guidelines education.	5 points
5.4	Appoint a club public relations chairperson at the start of the administrative year. Public relations chair should be submitted on the club election report.	5 points

20 points

TOTAL POTENTIAL POINTS >>

150 points

Club must earn at least 100 points to reach distinguished status.

AWARD RECOGNITION

- Presidential letter of recognition.
- Distinguished club president pin and certificate.
- Distinguished club secretary pin and certificate.
- Distinguished club banner patch.

Presentation: At district convention or other district event by board counselor or district governor.



Distinguished member recognition

ACHIEVEMENT QUALIFICATIONS

- Sponsor at least two (2) new members during the administrative year.
- Participate in at least two (2) projects of your home club.
- Attend district, regional or Kiwanis International convention.

AWARD RECOGNITION

- Presidential letter of recognition.
- Distinguished member recognition pin and certificate.

Presentation: Club meeting by Kiwanis club president or lieutenant governor.

Distinguished division recognition

ACHIEVEMENT QUALIFICATIONS

- At least 66% of the clubs in the division achieve distinguished club status.
- Special qualitative assessment by the Kiwanis president and/or district governor.

AWARD RECOGNITION

- Presidential letter of recognition.
- Distinguished lieutenant governor pin and certificate.

Presentation: At district convention or other district conference by board counselor or district governor.

Distinguished district recognition

ACHIEVEMENT QUALIFICATIONS

- Achievement of distinguished club status by at least 50% of clubs in the district.
- District must submit a membership plan by October 31.
- Achievement of at least one (1) of the following qualifications.
 - 3% net increase in district membership; or
 - Achievement of the club opening goal established jointly between the president-elect and the
 governor-elect prior to the start of the administrative year. Clubs opened two months prior (August
 and September) and one month following (October) the administrative year count toward
 distinguished criteria.
- Special qualitative assessment by president and/or board counselor.
- Districts that achieve their higher new club opening goal ("stretch goal") receive a special award.

AWARD RECOGNITION

- Presidential letter of recognition.
- Distinguished district governor pin and certificate.
- Distinguished district secretary pin and certificate.
- Distinguished district banner patch.
- Kiwanis International convention program listing with governor's photograph.
- Kiwanis website listing.

Presentation: At the Kiwanis International convention by the immediate past president of Kiwanis International.

KIWANIS LIFE MEMBER

Life Member status provides a unique opportunity for acknowledging Kiwanians who qualify for special recognition. Individuals who achieve Life Member status are those who perpetuate the Objects and objectives of Kiwanis International. Recipients must hold active membership in a currently chartered Kiwanis club.

A club may apply for Life Member status to honor its president or any other club member. A family or friends may apply through a club. A division may apply to honor its lieutenant governor or past lieutenant governor. A district may apply to honor a district officer, past or present. In exceptional situations, recognition shall be granted at the discretion of the executive director of Kiwanis International on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

An application for Life Member status by a club or an individual is subject to the approval of the club's board of directors and must be signed by the president or secretary of the club. District and division recognition must be approved, and application signed, by the governor or district secretary. Applications must be made in the name of the individual who is to achieve Life Member status, not in the name of the office.

Each member granted Life Member status receives a gold-tone personalized membership card. Each card is individually numbered, and a permanent record is maintained at the Kiwanis International Office. A blue acrylic desktop award is provided for display. A life member lapel pin is also issued for the member to wear when attending Kiwanis functions. It is appropriate that these mementos be presented at a meeting of the member's home club or at a division or district meeting.

The cost of Life Membership status is 15 times the amount of the annual dues (US\$1,155 for Tier 1 and US\$510 for Tier 2) payable upon application. (Please note: This amount is subject to change in the event that international membership fees increase.) Life Member status is achieved when payment is received. Please expect mementos to arrive 4-6 weeks after receipt of payment.

Once Life Member status has been achieved, the member's primary club will never again be required to pay international dues for that member. (Members who belong to more than one club shall designate which club is their primary club.) Life Member status has no effect on liability and directors and officers insurance, the Kiwanis publications fee or club and district dues.

Application and payment should be mailed to:

Kiwanis International Attention: Life Member Status 3636 Woodview Trace Indianapolis IN 46268-3196



You can download the form here: https://www.kiwanis.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/Lifetime-member-application.pdf

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Big Fat Greek PNW DCON 2024

























The PNW 2024 DCON in Wenatchee









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CLUB SERVICE SHOWCASE

Puyallup Kiwanians Love Parades

For several decades, the Kiwanis Club of Puyallup has been deeply involved in planning and staging parades through downtown Puyallup. For several years now, this includes the Daffodil Festival's "Grand Floral Parade" featuring the Festival's Queen and Princesses (early April), Washington State Fair's "Rodeo Parade" (early September), and the grand finale of the year, Puyallup Main Street Association's "Lighted Santa Parade" (first Saturday in December).

Planning and organization of parades begins months in advance of the actual events. This includes advertising the parades, contacting potential participants, registering entrants, setting the parade order, checking-in and lining up participants on the parade day, controlling the starting sequence, providing crowd management along the parade route, and much more. Many of the activities take place behind the scenes and parade goers are unaware of them.



For this year's Grand Floral Parade, 70 volunteers logged in for a total of 376 service hours. Volunteers included: Kiwanians (from 4 area clubs), Key Club students, a Rotarian or two, friends and folks from the community, city emergency operations personnel and a portion of a brigade from Joint Bast Lewis-McCord. There were 100 entrants in this year's parade including 30 bands from junior and senior high schools, plus the Army's America First Corp Band; 19 floats, and other groups such as car and antique tractor clubs.

The Rodeo Parade features running a herd of steers, escorted by cowboys on horseback, down the main street of Puyallup all the way to the fairgrounds. On occasion, a steer breaks away from the herd and must be escorted back to the herd by one of the cowboys. A few years ago, there was real excitement when an errant steer wandered right into a convenience store along the parade route.



One of the cowboys rode his horse into the store to get the steer out and the occurrence was caught on camera by one of the local TV stations videoing the parade and broadcast on the regional newscast.



The Santa Parade is spectacular because it is held after dark and all the entrants (people, vehicles, wagons, etc.) are covered in holiday lights. Santa riding atop a vintage fire truck is the last unit in the parade. A recent estimate of the number of spectators lining the parade route was between 12,000 to 15,000 people. There were definitely many wide-eyed children with smiles on their faces.

~Pete Bristow, Club Secretary Jim Hansen, Community Service Chair



The 2024 Kiwanis Law Camp is in the books. Great Camp! Looking forward to 2025.

2025 Kiwanis Youth Law Enforcement Career Camp is scheduled for July 13th to 19th, 2025.

Check for details on the website: www.kiwanislawenforcementcamp.com

For questions and more information email: kiwanislawenforcementcamp@gmail.com

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SKARAMBLE solution...don't peak. Puzzle is on the back cover.

