



# Kiwaniis<sup>®</sup>

## CENTENNIAL INTERNET

2nd April 2023

April newsletter



### President message

I got an early start, what can I say!?

It takes a village. To raise a child, a family, a youth program, a Kiwanis Club. Next month my baby girl graduates from Thomas Worthington High School. She's the last of my kids to do so and it's a little bittersweet. Alyssa is now the last kid at home too, and while I am not anxious to be an emptynester anytime soon, I am certainly looking forward to the next phase of her life (though not being a grandpa too soon). Back in March Alyssa had a weekend assignment where she got to bring home a baby. A real, fake baby that is. For a short 48 hours she learned exactly what it takes to keep a baby happy, and on more than a few occasions asked dad to help so she could have a break, which I happily obliged.

But that brings me to my point, because it takes each one of us supporting one another in thousands of small ways to get through life together. And that also is abundantly present in our Kiwanis family. At any given time of the year we are either celebrating the birth of a new club, a special anniversary of a club, or sometimes the death of a club. In any of these events, the village has come together to support the club through its life cycle, and I appreciate that fact. I also am extremely grateful to my village for supporting me and my family through many life events. Now let's get on with springtime and some service to keep our villages thriving!

Sincerely,  
Jim Janosik

**LAST! CHANCE!**

**\$2,500 Grand Prize!**

**AN ICONIC VACATION**

**20 23**

**Ticket Sales Close April 7, 2023 @ 11:59p EST**

<https://k18534.site.kiwanis.org/fundraisers/>  
Don't miss out on your chance to win big!

### Guest speaker : Kiwanis International President Bert West

Bert West of Divide, Colorado, U.S., was elected to a one-year term as president of Kiwanis International at the 2022 Kiwanis International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. An active, third-generation Kiwanis member of more than 34 years, West is proud to advocate for clubs and members and focuses on promoting growth at all levels of Kiwanis. "Kids are kids everywhere," he says. "They like to play and have fun together, whether they're in Europe or the Philippines or Divide, Colorado - and



adults in every part of the world want to help children. Kiwanis clubs give them that opportunity to make an impact." Read more: <https://kiwanismagazine.org/2022/10/03/western-spirit/>



# Asla Pacific convention in Malaysia



7 centennial members attended the 48th Aspac convention at Port Dickson in Malaysia 16-19 March 2023. Tadao Oda and Peter Zander were on zoom.



Sujan Shrestha has been confirmed as ASPAC chair 2023-2024. Congratulations!



Tadao as ASPAC bylaws chair explained the changes before votes, all passed.



Official launch of the new Web Site for Asia Pacific region: <https://kiwanisaspac.org>. QR Code could be scan by attendees so they get the website on their phone.



Keynote speaker Zy Ker Lee, a Malaysia Paralympian swimmer, and his Father Walter Lee will be sharing their amazing story of overcoming difficulties and their determination to change the world of the differently-abled.





## Key Club Sisterhood Guam and Saitama (Japan)



During the convention, the general business session had launch the Key Club Sisterhood Guam and Saitama (Japan) via zoom with key clubbers and advisors. After reading an agreement, KI President Bert West and ASPAC Chair Belle Garcia signed the arrangement in front all attendees zoom and in person. Key clubbers can work together.



## Opportunity of Interclub

### Kiwanis Club of Greater Alabama April meeting

Reminder of our meeting next Tuesday evening. Our speaker will be Jim Janosik, Executive Director of the Ohio District of Kiwanis. Jim has experience with an e-club and is joining us to share Best Practices and practical advice on marketing, fundraising and membership growth. Invite a friend to join us and bring your questions for Jim!

Topic: Kiwanis Club of Greater Alabama

Time: Apr 4, 2023 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85790768614?pwd=VTRFVjlvUTRESjVMOFVFbkFvK3Rjdz09>

Meeting ID: 857 9076 8614

Passcode: 357302



**Kiwanis**  
GREATER ALABAMA

**Midyear Ohio District Education  
Conference on the 18th of March 2023**



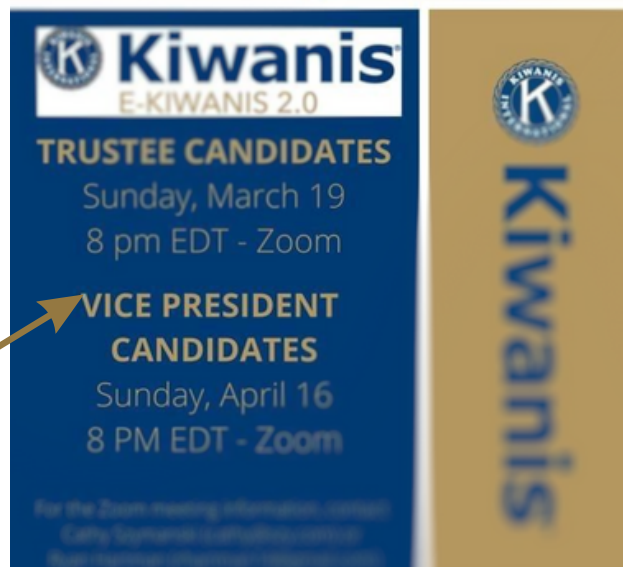
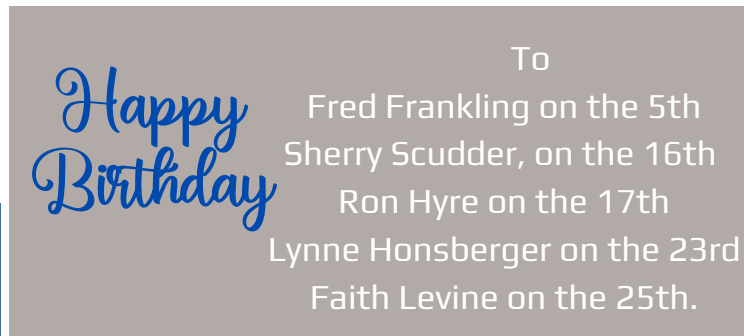
**NEW:** The Kiwanis Children’s Fund invites you to participate in the first Kiwanis Day of Giving on April 7, 2023. We’re hoping to raise US\$45,000 — enough to positively impact 20,000 children around the world. On April 7, gather online to share stories and inspiration. Make a gift that’s significant to you and invite your family and friends to participate with you. Learn more about how you and your club can get involved. Go to [www.kiwanis.org/dayofgiving](http://www.kiwanis.org/dayofgiving)

**Upcoming Schedule meetings**

- Tuesday, April 11 @ 5 p Eastern -- Member Meeting
- Tuesday, April 18 @ 5 p Eastern -- Board Meeting (everyone welcome)
- Tuesday, Mai 09 @ 5 p Eastern -- Member Meeting
- Tuesday, Mai 16 @ 5 p Eastern -- Board Meeting (everyone welcome)
- Tuesday, June 12 @ 5p Eastern -- Member Meeting
- Friday, June 23rd in person meeting at ICON in Minneapolis

**Meeting Information:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86460111515>  
Meeting ID: 864 6011 1515 One tap mobile +13126266799,86460111515# U



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On the 15th of April 2023, Bob Larsen