

Ohio District of Circle K International

2024-2025 Awards

Note: You must submit a completed copy of the [Club Stats spreadsheet](#) to be eligible for officer, member, and club awards (File → Download → Excel) and email the file back to Governor Neha governor@ohiocki.org before the awards deadline.

Officer Awards

Lanton Lee Outstanding President Award <https://forms.gle/cP5a17dm17QBpsN79>

The office of President is the highest office available to members at the club level. A President must accept responsibilities and possess excellent leadership abilities to maintain a healthy and active club. This is vital for Circle K International to continue providing meaningful leadership to its members while fulfilling its objective of serving the campus and community. The award recognizes the Club President who is the best all-around club leader in our district. **This award is named for Lanton Lee, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as Governor from 1986-1987 and as a Distinguished District Administrator from 1994-1998, from The Ohio State University.**

Outstanding Vice President Award <https://forms.gle/YiSWG9AqcHboadEZ7>

This award is given to the Outstanding Vice President who has fulfilled their duties to the highest capacity. The vice president shall have been part of the executive team and shall have exercised general supervision and guidance amongst the committees. They shall have worked to maintain a healthy and active club and good public relations between the Kiwanis Family and the general public. Because of the loosely defined responsibilities, the office of Vice President presents the challenge of creativity. This award is established to recognize the outstanding leadership of the Club Vice President who has risen to the challenge of creativity.

Linda M. Stiegler Outstanding Secretary Award <https://forms.gle/KFBXMqJM94z5Uo4K6>

An outstanding Secretary provides the backbone of a club. They are responsible for keeping the club organized and running smoothly by tracking club decisions, ensuring that assigned tasks are completed, and reporting club functions to the division and district. This award is given to the Outstanding Secretary who has fulfilled their duties to the highest capacity. The secretary shall have recorded the minutes of all official meetings of the club and board. They shall have served as the official representative of the club at such functions as the president may determine and shall have performed additional responsibilities as assigned by the president. The Outstanding Secretary Award recognizes excellence in club administration. **This award is named for Linda Stiegler, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as Secretary from 1984-1985, and as Governor from 1985-1986, from Miami University.**

Andrew Littlefield Outstanding Treasurer Award <https://forms.gle/h8yyHpBBCyvgSPQe8>

The Club Treasurer, as the collector and disbursing officer of money, can have a great deal of influence over a club's future. A treasurer's commitment to the office and diligence in accounting procedures will set the tone for the fiscal policies of the organization. This award is given to the Outstanding Treasurer who has fulfilled their duties to the highest capacity. Recognizing that the Club Treasurer is a vital office, this award is established to recognize excellence in the Club Treasurer position. **This award is named for Andrew Littlefield, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as Treasurer from 1990-1991, as Governor from 1991-1992, and as an Assistant Administrator from 1998-2002, from Bowling Green State University.**

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Annamarie McGuire Outstanding Bulletin Editor/Public Relations Award <https://forms.gle/2FngvZfjpAFiBtqHZ>

As the club Bulletin Editor or public relations chairperson, it is your responsibility to develop a monthly/bi-monthly newsletter to inform your club members of club activities, deadlines, important dates, and board actions. An outstanding Bulletin Editor utilizes social media to its utmost potential as a great tool to keep members updated with upcoming events and to recruit new members. An outstanding publication will motivate members to become active participants in Circle K International club, divisional, and district events. This award is established to recognize the exceptional, informative and creative work done by the individual(s) who work as Bulletin Editors. **This award is named for Annamarie McGuire, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as a Distinguished Bulletin Editor from 2021-22 from Bowling Green State University.**

Brian Ritchie Outstanding Club Committee Chairperson Award <https://forms.gle/SK1ebQnMKutj6ZJe8>

This award is given to the outstanding club committee chairperson who has fulfilled their duties to the highest capacity. This club committee chairperson must have overseen the formation and implementation of the tasks and duties of their committee position. They must have performed any additional responsibilities as assigned and remained active in club activities. **This award is named for Brian Ritchie, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as Governor from 1988-90, an International Trustee from 1990-91, and Administrator from 1999-2002, from Bowling Green State University,**

Member Awards

Jason Stewart Outstanding Member Award <https://forms.gle/KQjZqoUHtCi36mE4Z>

The club member is undoubtedly the most important person in Circle K International. Without active, dedicated members, CKI would become obsolete. An outstanding member is a role model. They are dedicated to the organization, its members, and its purpose. An outstanding member possesses a willingness to take risks. They are a leader by example, venturing outside their comfort zone to step up to new challenges. An outstanding member appreciates the company of all members and embraces friendship in everyday life. The Jason Stewart Outstanding Club Member Award recognizes the outstanding member who has led their club through a commitment to projects and to the objectives of Circle K International. **This award is named for Jason Stewart, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as a District Governor from 2007-09 and Circle K International President from 2009-10, from the College of Wooster.**

Erin M. Dillon Outstanding New Member Award <https://forms.gle/hjKYXU4hoLvSkoDpZ>

The club member is the most important person in Circle K International. Without active, dedicated new members, Circle K International would become obsolete. The Outstanding New Member Award is established to recognize the new member who has devoted time and energy to the projects and objectives of Circle K International. This award is presented annually to Circle K members in the Ohio District who have most significantly influenced their campuses, communities, and the lives of their fellow Circle K members within the past year. Each nominee must embody the three tenants of Circle K, as well as illustrate the spirit and dedication of a leader and community servant throughout the year.

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Tom Andrews Award for Leadership <https://forms.gle/KGppUbpKq7tmEuJ9>

This award will be given to the Circle K member who most exemplified and practiced leadership skills during their years in Circle K. The recipient of this distinguished leader award must be a member of a Circle K Club in good standing in the Ohio District. They must be or have been involved in a leadership capacity, excluding current District Board members. By virtue of this individual's efforts and influence, they will be recognized as a guide and example for other Circle K members and awarded this honor. **This award is named for Tom Andrews, who served as the third Circle K International President from Ohio from 1981-82, from Wright State University.**

Daniel and Stefani Leming Membership & Retention Award <https://forms.gle/9aCrgEXqN69xm9V18>

This award aims to recognize an outstanding individual who went above and beyond to extend the reach of Circle K International message to others outside the organization and most significantly helped the club's growth and retention of its members. Each nominee must have held a part in helping growth in the club and embodied the message of Circle K International. Nominees must be dues-paid members for no more than one year. **This award is named for Daniel Leming, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as Governor from 2006-07 and as an Assistant Administrator with Stefani Leming from 2013-17, from The Ohio State University.**

David Mathias Outstanding Kiwanis Family Achievement Award <https://forms.gle/LvhUX2SXqBRVmvRA7>

The recipient of this award will have tried to promote an understanding of and involvement with the different branches of the Kiwanis Family throughout the current administrative year. Any Circle K member within the Ohio District, in good standing with Circle K International and excluding current District Board members, is eligible for this award.

The Vision Award <https://forms.gle/48jx6Q7FASzbWFZh6>

This award will be given to the Circle K member who best exemplifies the Ohio District's vision:

"Circle K is the organization that holds the promise of today's college students becoming tomorrow's leaders. It exists to meet the personal needs of the individual student through the qualities of leadership, the rewards of service, and the unique spirit of fellowship. Circle K's potential lies in its ability to positively influence those in our society who are facing ultimate personal decisions, and those who will one day create the vision of humankind for generations to come. Circle K is the embodiment of those qualities necessary to shape the future, realized in the colleges and universities of today. The vision of Circle K International is dedicated to the realization of humanity's potential."

The member that best exemplifies this position is one that has shown achievement in service, their academic career, and their career goal. The recipient of this award is active in their Ohio Circle K International club, expresses academic achievement, and participates in internships or other job positions related to their field of study and overall career goal. The nominee should be nominated by their home club.

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Club Awards

Daniel J. Romanello Achievement Award <https://forms.gle/Ua29Rd8MEn34pim8>

The Club Achievement Award honors the club that best exemplifies outstanding achievement across all Circle K International areas: service, leadership, and fellowship. This prestigious award recognizes significant contributions to campus and community, exceptional pride demonstrated through promotional materials or activities, and outstanding social events. Additionally, it acknowledges exceptional efforts in fostering Kiwanis Family interactions, including hosting and participating in Kiwanis Family activities. Clubs should submit one social event and showcase their pride through any creative means used during the year. **This award is named for Daniel Romanello, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as District Administrator from 1980-85.**

Single Service Award <https://forms.gle/DXaSHS7BZXWalfE8>

Community service is highly beneficial to others while also personally satisfying. The Single Service Award recognizes a Circle K International Club's effort and dedication in producing the most outstanding service project during the year. This can either be an ongoing project that lasts the entire year or a one-time project. This service project cannot benefit any of our preferred charities however, any service project can be used. Only one service activity per club is allowed in this competition.

Kiwanis Family Award <https://forms.gle/PkG8AMwVAnKTXJsP7>

This award will be given to the club that has exemplified the meaning of the Kiwanis Family. The Kiwanis family is comprised of servant leaders of various ages, backgrounds, and abilities. Together, we are all united by our passion for community service and bringing change to better the world, one child and one community at a time. This award recognizes the clubs that have demonstrated an active commitment to involve the branches of our Kiwanis family in their activities and encourages this participation to other clubs in the district.

Ken Creasey Most Improved Club Award <https://forms.gle/yRbbpQwd9fKY53Gv8>

This award will be given to the Circle K Club, which has improved the most over the last twelve-month period based on improvements in the type and number of activities (projects, meetings, inter-clubbing, etc.) Judging will be based on monthly report forms from the previous year, to this year, and the essay. **This award is named for Ken Creasey who served the Ohio District of Circle K as the first Circle K International President from 1953-54, from Ohio Wesleyan University.**

Outstanding Scrapbook Award <https://forms.gle/Sgf1M4X8wReuclJH9>

Each Circle K Club may enter a scrapbook containing pictures, souvenirs, examples, newspaper clippings, etc. of its activities (both service and social) since the previous District Convention. The submitted scrapbook must include the following categories and must be tabbed accordingly and included in the table of contents with page numbers: Service to Campus, Service to Community, Fundraising Projects, Involvement with Kiwanis Family Projects, Involvement with the Preferred Charities/Service Partners, and Miscellaneous.

Governor Service Project <https://forms.gle/umf365LbgDvfpYp18>

The Governor's Service Project Award is given to the Circle K Club which incorporated the Governor's service project of mental health awareness the most into their club throughout the year. This award will be based on a combination of service hours, projects, and philanthropic dollars raised.

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Kiwanis Awards

Wayne and Laura Enders Ohio Circle of Service Award <https://forms.gle/7LPdPm3XVxAh6UiX8>

This award was created to annually recognize and honor that individual within the Ohio District of Kiwanis who has made the most outstanding contribution to the entirety of the Ohio District of Circle K.

James F. Kneisel Outstanding Kiwanis Sponsor Club <https://forms.gle/7YCTy2xVoF3nmMrK6>

*It is important that each Circle K club maintains a positive and active relationship with its sponsoring Kiwanis club and its members. The Outstanding Kiwanis sponsor award is presented to the Kiwanis club that has excelled in supporting Circle K clubs, through fellowship, attendance at projects and meetings, financial assistance, and overall involvement in the Circle K club's functions. **This award is named for James Kneisel, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as District Administrator from 1985-90.***

Kenneth H. Weeks Outstanding Kiwanian Award <https://forms.gle/SSWnGD2H1pnzwAqd6>

*Kiwanians provide mentorship and support for our Circle K International members and are vital to the Kiwanis Family relationship. The Kenneth H. Weeks Outstanding Kiwanian Award is presented to the Kiwanian who has contributed the most to the growth, achievement, and ideals of Circle K. This individual has ensured that the best interest of a specific Circle K club is kept in highest regards. **This award is named for Kenneth Weeks, who served the Ohio District of Circle K as Secretary from 1959-60.***