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THE BEST IS YET TO COME
John Brown, 2012 - 2013 Utah - Idaho Kiwanis District Governor

As my year as your Utah-Idaho District Governor draws to a close, I recall accomplishments as well as areas which need improvement.

Our District contingent to the Kiwanis International Convention in Vancouver, British Columbia, have returned. We had approximately 40 people attend our district dinner at East Side Mario’s located at Lonsdale Quay in Vancouver. This is the largest group at our district dinner that I have seen since I started going to International Conventions. Thank You to all who attended.

The Utah-Idaho District Convention on August 16th - 18th at the Red Lion Hotel downtown Salt Lake City, will feature required Kiwanis Training and Education and also classes that are geared for everyone, not just Kiwanis members. August 18th will include a memorial service in the morning, followed by my last board meeting. Governor-Elect Jim Spinelli’s first board meeting will follow at around noon. There will also be a District Foundation Board meeting and Past Governors’ meeting -- assuming sufficient attendance.

Distinguished Member and Distinguished Club forms are available online at KiwanisOne.org/DistinguishedClub. The form can be filled out online. Club Presidents and Secretaries, please take some time to fill out this form. There are many clubs and individual Kiwanians who should be eligible to receive either Distinguished Club or Distinguished Member.

The members of our Kiwanis district spend a great deal of time, energy and money to keep the motto of Kiwanis “Serving the Children of the World,” alive and strong. We serve our communities, our country and, yes, the world.

One of the great things about Kiwanis is that whether you want to work primarily in your community or serve needs in other communities in our great country, or you have a desire to serve the children in other countries, all of this is possible through Kiwanis International.

We all know that many hands make light work, yet we continue to have low membership numbers and decreasing numbers of clubs. We should continue to recruit new members, encourage Club Satellites, and, of course, build new clubs.

Utilize the strengths of your club members, professional and personal, to increase your membership. If a member works for a newspaper ask him/her to write an article about your club. If a member is in sales, put him/her on the recruiting team. You get the idea. There is a wealth of knowledge and abilities in our members in Kiwanis; we should use those abilities to make our clubs more enjoyable, our meetings more productive, and our recruiting efforts more successful.

“The Best is Yet to Come” because Jim Spinelli will be our new Governor for 2013-2014; we should have all our Lieutenant Governor positions filled; our membership goals will carry forward; I will be your Immediate Past Governor available for whatever needs Governor Jim has; we will be one year closer to Eliminating Maternal Neonatal Tetanus; the Kiwanis International Centennial year will be in Indianapolis in 2015; and we will elect our first female International President, Sue Petrisin, in 2015.

Finally, I’m looking forward to seeing you all at our District Convention in Salt Lake City, August 16-18. Happy, safe travels!

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UTAH-IDaho District Clubs With Positive Growth

The Monthly Membership Comparison Report for our district lists the following clubs with increases in membership as of June 20, 2013:

- Bonneville, Salt Lake City: +3
- North Ogden: +1
- Tremonton: +4
- Twin Falls: +1
- Burley: +2
- Boise, Gem State: +2
- Emmett: +2
- Sugar House, Salt Lake City: +1
- Park City: +1
- Springville: +2
- Tooele: +3
- Bannock, Pocatello: +3
- Pocatello: +4
- Rupert: +2
- Eagle: +5
- Capital City, Boise: +5
- Heber Valley: +2
- West Valley, Salt Lake City: +1
- Ontario: +7

These figures are based on a comparison of members from September 2012 to June 30, 2013.

Congratulations to all of the clubs who have increased membership. Please have your Club Secretary check online for the 2013 Distinguished Club and Distinguished Member Criteria; your clubs and members could be eligible.

I thank you again for your efforts to increase the members in our Kiwanis District.

John Brown, Governor 2012-2013

Farewell From the District Secretary

By Janet Flinders

It has been a great 8 years serving as your District Secretary. I have enjoyed Kiwanis on the District level since before 2001, but look forward to more service in my own club. Thank you for your support when asked.

Now is the time to get everything finished before the new District Secretary takes over on October 1st. I need your club election reports before the District Convention Aug 16-18, 2013 in Salt Lake City at the Red Lion. It is imperative that I get the information to send to Kiwanis International and get the info for the roster issue of the U&I Kiwanian, which is the next and final issue for the 2012-2013 year.

Those clubs who are behind on monthly reports ----- please get them submitted. I will take paper copies and enter them onto the Kiwanis International computer for you, if you do not have internet access. I will help all I can. If you have a problem, please call me at 435-757-2950 until September 30th.

Thanks again for a wonderful Kiwanis experience. Janet Flinders
Governor John Brown called the meeting to order at 7:05am and welcomed all who were in attendance.

Invocation by Doug Lund.

In attendance were: Governor John Brown; Governor-elect Jim Spinelli; Immediate Past Governor Chuck Baker; Secretary Janet Flinders; Treasurer Marvin Chamberlain. Lt. Governors: Div 2 Bill Mullins; Div 4 Jim Terry; Div 6 Larry Hunter; Div 10 Doug Lund. Missing: Lt Governors from Div 1 Bob Baker; Div 3 William Burdett; Div 5 Dean Banner; Div 8 Newell Johnson; Div 9 Stanley Boster.

Guests: Gordon Lewis – U&I Kiwanian Newsletter Editor and Website Manager.

Minutes were presented and accepted. Moved by Bill Mullins and seconded by Chuck Baker. Vote was unanimous.

There have been only 6 club election reports submitted so far.

Many clubs have not been reporting their monthly reports. Moved by Bill Mullins and seconded by Marvin Chamberlain to accept reports as announced. Vote was unanimous.

Financials were presented by Marvin Chamberlain. Bill Mullins moved and Jim Spinelli seconded. Vote was unanimous.

The Kiwanis Kook Book was to be sent to the printed on July 1st. There weren’t enough recipes sent in to warrant any printing at this time. The District still needs recipes, but the fund-raiser will take place next year. The Morris Cookbook Printers will handle putting it together.

Membership reported at 20 June 2013 was through May 2013:
- Div 1 is down 37; Div 2 is up 4; Div 3 is down 7; Div 4 is up 3; Div 5 is up 1; Div 6 is down 18; Div 7 is down 2; Div 8 is down 3; Div 9 is down 10; Div 10 is down 11.

At the end of September 2012 membership was at 1,557; it is now 1,477. Down 80 total.

Jim Terry has sold his home in Rexburg, ID and will be moving to St. George. He will take the reins of Div 7 as their Lt. Governor and try to build up the area.

John Brown stated that we need to turn around the diminishing membership. Eventually a level will be reached before the District will begin to grow.

Larry Hunter has pulled together all the changes that need to be done to the District Bylaws and have been approved by Kiwanis International. They will be announced to the District for voting at District Convention in the House of Delegates on Saturday 17 August 2013. A couple of important changes need to be from 501(c)(3) back to 501(c)(4). The IRS denied Kiwanis a 501(c)(3) status. Think about changing the boundaries to include all of Utah. A big THANK YOU to Larry for his hard work.

Mark Gunning is the Lt. Governor-elect for Div 4 and has accepted being interim Lt. Governor if Jim Terry moves before September 30. Larry Hunter moved and Chuck Baker seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Bill Mullins gave quilt tickets to Lt. Governors. They were to give them to each club in their division to be sold. A few have been sold. Lt. Governors must bring the money and ticket stubs for the Governor’s Quilt to District Convention. Each Lt. Governor received 40 tickets. The selling price is as follows: 1 for $5.00; 3 for $10.00; 7 for $20.00; 20 for $50.00. Thought was that $10.00 should have been added to the convention registration, so each member attending would have quilt tickets in hand.

District Convention will be 16-18 August 2013 in Salt Lake City, UT. The registration form and information were in the last and will be in the next U&I Kiwanian. Friday will have training and a catered BBQ; Saturday will be workshops and the House of Delegates; Sunday will be the Memorial Service and both Board Meetings. The President of the Salt Lake City Club is in charge of the Friday night BBQ. The BBQ will be at 5:00pm in the Salt Lake Bees parking lot. We will eat first, then at 7:00pm attend the Bee’s baseball game. The cost of the BBQ will be $10.00.

Jim Spinelli is looking for a Governor-elect from Utah. The qualifications are: be a Past President of a Kiwanis Club and a Past Lt. Governor of a Kiwanis Division.

Bill Mullins moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00am.
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#4 Dues Rebate for Clubs with 25 Percent Growth - Passed
To discontinue the dues rebate for clubs that have grown at least 25 percent in the prior year.

#5 Dues Waiver for Former Members of Service Leadership Programs - Withdrawn
To discontinue the dues waiver for new members of clubs who were former members of Kiwanis' Service Leadership Programs.

#6 Club Delegate Representation at District Conventions - Failed
To allow clubs to have a varying number of club delegates at district conventions, based on the number of members enrolled in their clubs.

#7 Protection of Youth – Amended during Session and then referred back to Committee
To establish stronger disciplinary provisions to help protect the entire Kiwanis organization and especially youth from members whose conduct involves moral turpitude or whose behavior with minors is found to be illegal.

#8 Conduct unbecoming an Officer of Kiwanis International - Passed
To clarify provisions regarding conduct unbecoming a Kiwanis International Officer.

#9 Constituent Members of Kiwanis Federations - Passed
To clarify that Kiwanis clubs are the basic constituent members of federations.

#10 Composition of Federation Boards - Passed
To allow flexibility in the composition of the governing board of a Kiwanis federation.

#11 Members Experiencing Hardship Circumstances - Withdrawn
To waive Kiwanis International dues payment by a club for members experiencing hardship while still retaining those members' rights and privileges.

#12 Campaigning for Kiwanis International Board Offices - Failed
To prohibit all campaign spending and restrict campaign practices by candidates for Kiwanis International Board offices.

#13 Criminal Background Check Availability - Passed
To provide that a criminal history background check on a volunteer will be accepted by Kiwanis International when a district conducts its own background check which meets or exceeds current Kiwanis International standards.

#14 Reimbursement of Kiwanis International Past Presidents - Failed
To restrict expense reimbursement for Kiwanis International Past Presidents to only the last three office holders.

#15 Motto of Kiwanis International - Failed
To change the motto of Kiwanis International to We Help Build Better Communities.

CHANGES TO BE VOTED ON AT DISTRICT CONVENTION TO THE BYLAWS OF THE UTAH-IDAHO DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

THE UNDERLINED PORTIONS ARE THE CHANGES
ITEMS IN BRACKETS THAT SAY “TO BE DELETED” ARE

ARTICLE II. OBJECTS

Section 1. The objects of this district shall be:

(a) To seek within the district and through the clubs of the district the attainment of the Objects of Kiwanis International as set forth in the International Bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, which are incorporated herein by reference to the extent they are relevant.

(d) To promote participation of clubs in the (general [to be deleted]) objectives, programs, (and [to be deleted]) policies and strategic goals of the district and Kiwanis International.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. District Officers.

(a) The officers of the district shall be the Governor, Governor-elect, Vice Governor, Immediate Past Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Lieutenant Governor for each division.

(i) (*Note – [to be deleted]) After their election and before their assumption of office, all officers shall be known and designated by the titles of the offices to which they have respectively been elected followed by the term “designate.”
In his convention remarks, Gunter Gasser focused on Kiwanis’ service priority, saying: “There are children who need our help. They may be sick, hungry, in need of role models or help with education. They are children whose future is at risk. ... We have to build them a bridge to the future.”

(ii) The amendment adding this section and all references to Vice Governor herein will be effective October 1, 2014. The first term of Vice Governor will start October 1, 2014, and the first election for Vice Governor will take place at the 2014 District Convention.

Section 3. Each district officer shall be an active, senior, or privileged member in good standing in a club of the district; and each Lieutenant Governor shall be an active, senior, or privileged member in good standing in a club in the division from which elected. Each candidate for the office of Governor, Governor-elect, and Vice Governor (if any) shall have a clear criminal history background check conducted and verified by Kiwanis International. No candidate for district officer shall be engaged in conduct unbecoming a member of the Kiwanis family as defined by the Kiwanis International Board.

Section 7. The Vice Governor shall perform such duties and responsibilities as usually pertain to such office or as may be assigned by the Governor or the District Board of Trustees. The Vice Governor shall perform such duties and responsibilities as are currently prescribed or as may be amended in the future in the International Bylaws, the Kiwanis International Board Policies and Procedures or the district bylaws.

With Section 7 being added for Vice Governor, all sections after will be one number higher. Such as: Section 7 was originally about Immediate Past Governor, but is now Section 8.

Section 10. The District Treasurer has the further duties and responsibilities:

(h) Assure compliance with all governmental reporting requirements for finances, taxation, employment and any other areas of operation under the oversight of the District Board of Trustees.

(i) Be responsible for reports to the Kiwanis International Board of the District’s financial status, at such times and including such information as requested by the Board.

ARTICLE VI. BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Section 1. (*Note – If desired, the district bylaws may provide for not more than two (2) additional Past Governors to be members of said Board [to be deleted].)

ARTICLE VIII. CONVENTIONS

Section 13. In the absence of the Governor (or Acting Governor) from any convention of the district, the District Board of Trustees shall designate the Governor-elect, Vice Governor, Immediate Past Governor, or a Lieutenant Governor to act as chairman.

Section 15. Within thirty (30) days after any convention, the District Secretary shall make a written report, as approved by the Governor, providing a synopsis of the actions taken and shall transmit the report to the Executive Director of Kiwanis International. A copy of the report shall either be sent to the secretary of each chartered club within the district or be published in the next district bulletin or on the district WEB site (to be deleted).

ARTICLE X. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers Other than Lieutenant Governors

(a) The election of (officers, *except the Lieutenant Governors, [to be deleted]) District Governor, Governor-elect, Vice Governor and District Treasurer shall be held at the annual convention. The District Secretary is an appointed position until such time that the bylaws are changed. The District Treasurer and District Secretary may be appointed or elected pursuant to International Bylaws. The first election for Vice Governor shall be held at the 2014 District Convention.

(*Note – The International Bylaws provide that the District Secretary and/or District Treasurer may be appointed.)
The District Secretary is appointed. The District Treasurer is elected.

(d) The nominating and election procedure for officers to be elected at the annual convention shall be as follows:

(1) The Governor-elect shall be the sole candidate for the office of Governor. The Vice Governor shall be the sole candidate for the office of Governor-elect.

(2) All candidates for the offices of Governor, (and [to be deleted]) Governor-elect and Vice Governor (if any) ([and Secretary and/or Treasurer] [to be deleted]) must submit written notice of candidacy to the District Secretary no later than the beginning of the first business session of the annual convention. At that session, the Secretary shall make a report of the candidates giving such notice. All candidates for the office of Governor-elect shall submit a signed agreement to Kiwanis International to fulfill their duties. (10/02 [to be deleted])

(3) A majority of all valid votes cast for each position shall be necessary for the election of any elected District office. (Governor and Governor-elect [and Secretary and/or Treasurer] [to be deleted]). In the event that any ballot cast for Governor, and Governor-elect, Vice Governor or Secretary or Treasurer does not show a majority for any nominee for the foregoing offices, the Governor shall designate a time and a place for further balloting for such office. Prior to the second ballot, the nominee having the lowest vote on the first ballot shall be dropped; and on each succeeding ballot, the same procedure shall be followed until a nominee shall have received a majority of all valid votes cast.

Section 3. Election of Lieutenant Governor and Lieutenant Governor-elect.

(a) The Lieutenant Governor of each division shall hold, not later than the second week in April, a conference for the purpose of electing a Lieutenant Governor and a Lieutenant Governor-elect (if any). The time and place of this conference shall be designated by the Lieutenant Governor. Written notice shall be sent, not later than 10 days prior to the conference, to the president of each club in the division, and to all Past Governors and Past Lieutenant Governors of that division who are active, senior, or privileged members of a club in the division.

(c) The representatives present, representing not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the clubs of the division, shall constitute a quorum at the conference, and each club shall have one (1 [to be deleted]) (1) vote for each representative present. The Lieutenant Governor and the Past Governors and Past Lieutenant Governors in attendance at the conference shall have the privilege of the floor without the right to vote, except in the event of a tie vote, in which case the Lieutenant Governor shall be entitled to vote.

ARTICLE XI. VACANCIES IN OFFICE

Section 2. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Governor-elect or Vice Governor (when effective) during an administrative year, the vacancy for the un-expired term shall be filled by the District Board of Trustees, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire District Board, from the Lieutenant Governors or Past Lieutenant Governors who are active, senior, or privileged members of Kiwanis clubs in the district.

ARTICLE XII. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Whenever it shall appear to the Governor or majority of the District Board of Trustees that an officer may be engaging in conduct unbecoming a Kiwanian or is failing to perform the duties of that office, the District Board shall give written notice of the alleged facts to the officer within thirty (30) days. The definition of "conduct unbecoming a member of the Kiwanis family" and the process to be followed for an allegation of conduct unbecoming shall be as defined by the Kiwanis International Board.
ARTICLE XII. REVENUE

Section 1. Each member club shall pay to the district for each of its members, with the exception of its honorary members, the sum of $2.00 per annum as the subscription price of the district bulletin, and ($20.00 [to be deleted]) $30.00 per annum as dues. The total amount shall be due annually on the club’s anniversary date as set forth in the International Bylaws, payable not later than sixty (60) days thereafter, and is to be based upon the membership of the respective clubs as shown by the reports to Kiwanis International as of September 30. Such annual membership report shall be due eighty (80) days prior to the due date for the club’s annual dues payment and shall be made on the official forms provided by Kiwanis International. The total amount shall include all district charges other than the new member add fee and registration fees for district conventions or conferences.

ARTICLE XV. FINANCE

Section 1. The fiscal year of the district shall begin on October 1 and terminate on the following September 30.

ARTICLE XVI. NATIONAL OR LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 1. There are currently no (P [to be deleted]) provisions required by national or local laws. (are as follows [list provisions, if any]: [to be deleted])

ARTICLE XXI. NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

Section 2. The district is organized and operated exclusively for the purposes set forth in (Section 501(c)(3) [to be deleted]) Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Objects, as stated in Article II of these bylaws, shall be accomplished exclusively through charitable and educational activities as described in (Section 501(c)(3) [to be deleted]) Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

ARTICLE XXII. APPROVAL OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

Section 1. These bylaws and all amendments or additions, including any districting, redistricting, or grouping (off [to be deleted]) of clubs, shall (not [to be deleted]) not be effective unless approved by the International Board of Trustees.

U-I KIWANIANS VENTURED OUT EARLY IN THE MORNING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE VANCOUVER CONVENTION PROJECT ELIMINATE WALK.

Barbara from Tooele and Chad from Spanish Fork Celebrate the saving of a baby’s life with our efforts to raise funds for UNICEF.

Jackie Vaughn, member of Clearfield Club, totes an important message for the Project Eliminate Walk. 43% of U-I clubs have pledged or raised almost $200,000 for Project Eliminate.

Our Challenge Goal is $759,000 or about $474/member over a 5 year period. If your club has not set a goal, yet, it is not too late. And you have 5 years to contribute to it from the time you declare your goal. 61 million mothers are counting on you.

Check out the U-I Kiwanian Facebook page for the latest information on the Eliminate Project. https://www.facebook.com/pages/Utah-Idaho-Kiwanis-District-Eliminate-Project/339770039466238
The Eliminate Project gift/pledge form

You can give quickly and securely at www.TheEliminateProject.org/give. Otherwise, please return this completed form to the address at bottom.

Name  
Member #  
Title and business 
Address 
City  
State/Province  
Postal code  
Country  
Kiwanis club and location  
Club number 
Telephone (with area code)  
Email  
Signature of donor or representative  
Date  

My total gift/pledge is US$__________ to support The Eliminate Project.

GIFT
One-time payment (for the above total gift is enclosed, make check payable to the "Kiwanis International Foundation" and write "The Eliminate Project" on the memo line, or complete credit card information below.

PLEDGE
I wish to pledge my total gift (listed above).  
US$__________ has already been paid.  
Initial payment of US$__________ is enclosed. Make check payable to the "Kiwanis International Foundation" and write "The Eliminate Project" on the memo line, or complete credit card information below.

I wish to make my payments via credit card.  
MasterCard  
Visa  
Discover  
American Express  
Card number  
Expiration date  
Security code  

Please send my pledge reminders or schedule my credit card payments (choose one):  
Monthly  
Quarterly  
Semiannual  
Annual  
Beginning ______/____ (month/year)  
Ending ______/____ (month/year).  

This gift is anonymous.

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UTAH – IDAHO KIWANIS DISTRICT FOUNDATION DONATION/CONTRIBUTION FORM

Fill out and send with your Donations/Contribution to:

Martin D. "Mrv" CHAMBERLAIN  
P. O. Box 25  
Twin Falls, ID 83304-0025

The Redd Culp Medal – Redd Club medal has been created to honor our Past International President Redd Culp. Redd Club was a member of the Salt Lake Kiwanis Club and was an active Civic leader. He was a partner and owner with his brother and later with his sons of Culp & Sons Sheep Co. He was named to the national board of Boys Clubs of America and was appointed to the Salt Lake Mayor’s Committee on Juvenile Delinquency.

Contributions in amount of $1000 or more, entitle the donor to a very distinctive lapel pin and a medal depicting the likeness of Redd Club to be worn on a bright colored neck-ribbon.

The only source of funding for the Foundation is through the generosity of its members, Kiwanis Clubs, and other interested partners/corporations. Each year the Foundation makes an appeal to all Kiwanis Clubs to consider a club gift to the Foundation. We ask each club to donate $5 per person or $100 whichever is greater. With 100% participation by the clubs the Foundation would be able to award up to five matching scholarships each to Key Club members and Circle K members. The annual campaign is the primary source of income and determines much of the Foundation’s impact, particularly in the areas of supporting Kiwanis sponsored programs.

Name:
Address:  
City/State/Zip:  
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Annual Club Gift
Greater of $6.00/Member or $100.00

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CALL TO DISTRICT CONVENTION
AUGUST 16 – 18, 2013
RED LION HOTEL SALT LAKE DOWNTOWN
161 West 600 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84101
By Janet Flinders, District Secretary

Mark your calendar!!! Don’t let this date slip by you. The 94th Annual Utah-Idaho Kiwanis District Convention is going to be a happening event. There will be training for Lt. Governors-elect and Presidents/Secretaries and any Kiwanian interested in learning about taking on a leadership role in your Kiwanis club.

Plan for awesome food, great camaraderie, workshops, House of Delegates, silent auction, retiring current District Officers and installing newly elected District Officers and having loads of fun. Meeting Kiwanians from around the District will bring you in contact with new ideas for service and fund-raising.

This year there are important District By-Law Changes that will be voted upon or ratified during the House of Delegates on August 17th. These are to bring the District By-Laws into compliance with changes made to the Kiwanis International By-Laws at the 2012 Kiwanis International Convention. Also, the addition of the position of Vice-Governor and a per person dues increase will be voted on. Be sure to review Governor Brown’s article on these changes earlier in this issue of the U & I Kiwanian.

These changes impact you and your club, make sure your club is represented for the votes on these changes. Be sure to have your club secretary fill out the Delegate Registration form and send it to Janet Flinders, 515 Bringhurst Dr., Providence, UT 84332-9439 so that it is received by August 9, 2013.

Also, be sure to review the Conventions Tentative Agenda in this issue of the U&I Kiwanian.

Registration for the Annual Convention is now open and can be done by either mailing in the registration form to Janet Flinders or registering online through the District Website. If you register online, be sure to let Janet Flinders know that you have registered online. And, make sure that your registration is done and received by Janet by August 2, 2013. Walk-in registration will be available at the convention.

The District Board of Trustees and the District Convention Committee are looking forward to seeing you there.

THE ELIMINATE PROJECT WORKSHOP
at the DISTRICT CONVENTION

Friday, August 16, 10:00-11:00 am
Topic: “Fundraising Ideas and Resources for the Eliminate Project”
Presenters: Revis Turner, District Eliminate Coordinator & Barbara Mullins, Utah Multi-Division Coordinator.

Summary of Presentation:
• Barbara & Revis will share fundraising ideas generated at the recent convention in Vancouver.
• We will discuss how our district can accomplish our goals.
• We will examine resources available that will provide our once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to bring about a major impact on the most vulnerable people in the world - the women and children of impoverished nations.

Who should attend: Local club coordinators, Division Coordinators & anyone who is concerned about the Kiwanis mission to serve the children in our global community.

Project Eliminate Luncheon Highlights
• Friday, August 16, 12 noon - 1:00 pm
• Zeller Award recognition and presentation of new Zeller Recipients
• Highlight the Utah-Idaho District Clubs who are leading the challenge
NOTICE!!!

By Janet S. Flinders, District Secretary

The Utah-Idaho Board of Trustees voted on the following:

The Utah-Idaho Board of Trustees announces the candidacy of Governor John Brown to run for Kiwanis International Trustee at the next Kiwanis International Convention to be held July 17-20, 2014 in Chiba, Tokyo, Japan.

The vote was unanimous by Governor-elect Jim Spinelli, Immediate Past Governor Chuck Baker, Treasurer Marvin Chamberlain and the following Lt. Governors: Bill Mullins, Mike Burdett, Stanley Boster and Douglas Lund. With Governor John Brown and Secretary Janet Flinders giving consent, but not voting.

This action will be brought before the House of Delegates at the upcoming District Convention August 16-18, 2013 at the Red Lion Downtown Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah.

A REQUEST FOR YOUR VOTE

Fellow Kiwanians of the Utah – Idaho District of Kiwanis International:

I am announcing my candidacy for the position of International Trustee.

A resolution will be brought before the House of Delegates, asking for your affirmative vote for my nomination as Trustee.

An affirmative vote doesn’t commit the district to expend any funds on my account. An affirmative vote means that you endorse my running for the position of International Trustee.

A candidate for International Trustee must have an endorsement from their district in order to run for this position.

I hope you feel that I am the right person for this position.

I will do my best to keep the interests of the Utah – Idaho District in the forefront when I am called upon to vote on an issue.

Our district has not had an International Trustee for at least the last 15 years. I feel that the time is right for us to end this non-participation.

Please vote in affirmation of this resolution. Thank You for voting.

John Brown
Utah-Idaho District Governor 2012-2013

CLUBS, IT’S FOUNDATION GIFT TIME

The Kiwanis International Foundation makes good use of your individual gifts by helping children near and far. But an annual club gift extends your Kiwanis impact even further. For members of the Kiwanis family, that’s what makes our foundation special: that we work together to change children’s lives at home and around the world.

Keep an eye on your mailbox for an important letter from Kiwanis International Foundation President Peter J. Mancuso showing just what happens when your club comes together to make a generous gift. Use the letter’s enclosed reply form to give your club’s gift or save a stamp and donate online (https://secure.qgiv.com/for/?key=kif) using gift code 2012-13ACGQ3DM1. Suggested donation is US$6 per member.

Share your thoughts about these and future foundation efforts with Kiwanis’ new alumni and annual giving administrator, Jereme Grinslade, at jgrinslade@kiwanis.org and at 1-800-KIWANIS (549-2647), ext. 157. Loyalty to the Kiwanis International Foundation is a gift, and your club’s gift makes a continuing impact—from your own hometown to communities around the world. Give now (https://secure.qgiv.com/for/?key=kif).
**Payment at the Door, only checks or cash.**

Payment may be made by check, by charge card. If you wish to use a credit card (check one) □ Visa   □ Mastercard  □ American Express (We will call you to obtain the three digit security #) OR Pay by PayPal on the Internet.

If paying by internet, please snail mail this registration form to the address above.

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**Non-CANCELLATION REQUESTS MUST BE MADE IN WRITING** - phone or verbal requests cannot be honored.

This form is also available on the District Website.
FRIDAY AUGUST 16, 2013

9:00 am - 4:00 pm  Lieutenant Governor Training/M. Morrison
9:00 am - 12:00 pm  Club Leadership Education /Josh Holt
10:00 am - 11:00 am  Key Club 101/Mike Sims; Builders Club 101/Gerry Steelman Fundraising Ideas and Resources for the Eliminate Project /Revis Turner
1100 am - 1200 pm  K-Kids 101/Frankie Marler; Circle K 101/J. Brown; Aktion Club 101/TBD
1200 pm - 1:00 pm  Lunch – Eliminate Update and Walter Zeller Presentations
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  Builders Club Club 101/TBD; Key Club 101/M. Sims; K-Kids 101/F. Marler
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  Investing & Income Strategies for the New Economy/ C. Baker; Secretaries roundtable/J. Flinders; Constant Contact for the UI District/G. Lewis

Break

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  Is your club in trouble?; Thinking outside of the box, Club; Thinking outside of the box, District
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm  Past Presidents Roundtable
6:00 PM  BBQ at Salt Lake City Bee’s Stadium
7:05 PM  Bee’s Baseball Game (Las Vegas 51s at Salt Lake Bees)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2013

7:00 am - 8:00 am  Eliminate Fun Run
8:00 am - 9:00 am  Breakfast
9:00 am - 10:00 am  Computer Security for Dummies?/Jerry Lin; Increase your club membership
9:00 am - 11:00 am  Secretary Training
10:00 am - 2:00 pm  Blood Drive/Parking Lot of Red Lion
10:00 am - 11:00 am  District By-Law changes/J. Brown; What the District Club Gift Money and KI Annual Club Gift money is used for; Investing & Income Strategies for the New Economy/C. Baker
11:00 am - 12:00 pm  Check out the webinars that you missed; Computer Security for Dummies?/Jerry Lin; Marketing your Kiwanis Club
12:00 pm - 1:00 PM  Lunch
1:00 – 2:00 PM  Young Children Priority One; Utilizing other sources to reach our goals; Marketing your Kiwanis Club
2:00 pm - 3:00 PM  The dilemma of the smaller club or doing more with less
Break

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm  House of Delegates (NOTE: The district secretary will verify that delegates are eligible to vote.)

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Dinner, awards, House of Delegates results

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2013

8:00 am - 9:00 am  Breakfast
9:00 am - 10:00 am  Memorial Service
10:00 am - 12:00 pm  District Board meeting, Governor Brown
12:00 pm  Working Lunch
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm  District Board Meeting, Governor Designee Jim Spinelli
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  Foundation Board Meeting
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

Please don’t wait until the last minute and don’t forget to mail this filled out form to: Janet S. Flinders, 515 Bringhamurst Drive, Providence, UT 84332-9439 

No later than August 9, 2013

**NOTES**

1. Delegates may not be certified if their club has any indebtedness to Kiwanis International or the Utah-Idaho Kiwanis District
2. This form does not constitute a convention registration. Use the official registration form to register each delegate. Delegates who are not registered cannot be certified to represent their club in the business session of the Convention.
3. Only Delegates-At-Large will not have to be certified.

# NEW SECTION OF THE ELIMINATE PROJECT WEBSITE TAILORED FOR SLP PROGRAMS

There’s a new section on The Eliminate Project website, and it’s sized just right for members of Kiwanis Service Leadership Programs. The entire Kiwanis family is working to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus, but Circle K International, Key Club, Builders Club, K-Kids and Aktion Clubs have their own special ways of raising funds—and now their own place to find help.

You can reach the SLP section from The Eliminate Project home page; just look for ‘SLP’ in the blue navigation bar, right next to ‘Progress.’ Or go directly to the SLP section at www.TheEliminateProject.org/SLP. There are updated donation totals and news items on the home page, and each each group has its own section that includes resources, guides and templates. Plus, special areas of the SLP section highlight details on signature fundraising initiatives like Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF, Eliminate Week and Show your love, save a life.

The Kiwanis family will raise US$110 million to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus by 2015—and Service Leadership Programs are responsible for a US$7 million portion of that goal. They’re almost to the US$2 million mark already! Find out how they’re doing it on the new SLP section of The Eliminate Project website.
TAX-FREE GIFTS FROM IRA ACCOUNTS RE-AUTHORIZED!

If you are age 70½ or older and reside in the United States, you may be able to take advantage of an important incentive to make a gift to the Kiwanis International Foundation. Learn more about this limited-time opportunity.

Congress has re-authorized for 2012 and 2013 the provision that allows individuals to make gifts of up to $100,000 per year from their Individual Retirement Accounts to one or more charities, without first incurring income tax on the withdrawal. This means you can direct a gift to the Kiwanis International Foundation with no federal income tax liability. The IRA Rollover may provide you with an excellent opportunity to make a gift during your lifetime from an asset that would be subject to multiple levels of taxation if it remained in your taxable estate.

SUIT UP IN PERSONALIZED CLUB T-SHIRTS

Nothing says cool community event hosted by pros better than matching T-shirts. Outfit your members inexpensively with the new personalized club T-shirt featuring the updated Kiwanis branding.

Through the Kiwanis Family Store, you can screen-print your club name on the back of a traditional navy T-shirt in sizes small to 4X. Consider ordering these T-shirts for big events such as summer fundraisers, recruiting activities and Kiwanis One Day in April. The minimum order is 12 shirts. Allow four to six weeks for completion.

Once your club is T-shirted, expand the new Kiwanis look to your club billboards, brochures and banners. Get tips on how to work with the new brand elements beginning on page 20 of the Kiwanis brand guide. The Kiwanis Family Store also has eye-catching streamer flag adversails and outdoor flags for a cohesive, professional look at your next event.

ALUMNI SPREAD THE WORD IN VANCOUVER

Whether you were a recent graduate of Circle K International or had been in the Kiwanis family for several years since graduation, you had a chance to celebrate at the international conventions in Vancouver.

At the Circle K convention, graduated seniors learned how to stay involved and connected within the Kiwanis family after graduation during a Friday reception. CKI alumni Carol Clyde, Justin Hahn, Nicole Harris and Alison Hunter gave attendees a first-hand look at their Kiwanis futures as they shared their experiences and encouraged new alumni to find a home in a local Kiwanis club.

Later that night, alumni from both Key Club and Circle K celebrated at Bellaggio Café. Although alumni graduation years ranged from 1950 to 2012, the energy was high no matter how many years removed the attendees were and their fond memories just as vivid. Alums enjoyed great conversation, networking and a challenging game that required a good knowledge of Key Club and Circle K’s histories.

A huge thank you to all of those who attended and the volunteers who made it happen. Learn more about the Key Club Alumni and CKI Alumni or contact keyclubalumni@kiwanis.org.

CKI LEAVES A MARK ON VANCOUVER

Thanks to more than 150 Circle K International members, students at two elementary schools in Vancouver will now be able to relax and play outside during recess.

CKI teamed up with Kiwanis International, Landscape Structures Inc., and Habitat Systems Inc., to build two playgrounds for Sir Wilfred Laurier Elementary and Sir Wilfred Laurier Annex. The playground build was part of CKI’s Large Scale Service Project, a three-day event in which CKI members from across North America come together to serve the host community of that year’s Circle K International convention. The existing wooden playgrounds at both schools were no longer safe for students, and school administrators were faced with the problem of having no playground equipment until they raised enough money for two new playgrounds.

CKI members not only built the playgrounds from foundation to finish in just two days, but they also hosted a carnival for the students, who weren’t able to go outside and play during the playground’s construction.
CKI LEAVES A MARK ON VANCOUVER (Continued)

In addition to the playground build, CKI members also picked up trash at four Vancouver parks, cooked meals and installed planters at Ronald McDonald House, organized donations at Quest Food Exchange, planted and harvested produce for Loutet Farm’s Edible Gardens Project and renovated playgrounds for The Children’s Foundation. In only three days, CKI members performed 2,245 hours of service to the Vancouver community.

KIWANIS.ORG, FOUNDATION WEBSITES WOW

The public faces of Kiwanis and the Kiwanis International Foundation on the Internet are getting a lift! Check them out at www.kiwanis.org and www.kiwanis.org/foundation. Simplified tools that are more intuitive, and the expanding navigation will provide several levels of resources at a glance.

In the redesign of the Kiwanis homepage, clubs for every age are emphasized, specifically the Kiwanis-family’s flagship youth program, Key Club International. Social media links are elevated to make interaction easier, and a warm welcome message and Kiwanis’ top feel-good stories are given an appropriate spotlight.

The website redesign for the Kiwanis International Foundation includes a complete rework of the home page and the entire site’s content to match the new look and feel of Kiwanis, as well as the foundation’s new branding and latest print material. The new foundation home page features stories about donors and how their support has made a difference, plus highlights about current campaigns and immediate needs.

Take a look!

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR SCHEDULE

www.KiwanisOne.org/webinars

NOTE: Webinar time is Eastern Standard Time. To change the time zone to reflect your time zone, click on "Show time in my time zone when you register."

Aug 6 at 8 pm Innovative Membership Initiatives
Check out the newest membership initiatives in Kiwanis. See how your club can increase its impact in your community. Learn more about club satellites, 3-2-1 concept, corporate membership and company-based clubs.

Aug 13 at 8 pm Share your Story
Growing clubs focus on growth. Members actively look for opportunities to share their Kiwanis story with people they meet. Learn how your club’s members can spread the word through printed materials, websites and social media.

Aug 20 at 8 pm The Three R’s: Recognize, Reward and Recruit
What gets rewarded, gets done! Learn how you can implement the 3 R’s to offer the best club experience, set up the best leadership pipeline, and turn prospects into members.

Aug 27 at 8 pm The New Standard Form for Club Bylaws and Club Policies
Kiwanis’ Standard Form for Club Bylaws was approved by the House of Delegates at the 2012 Kiwanis International convention. The new document simplifies rules and regulations to allow more flexibility for global operations and paving the way for Kiwanis clubs of the 21st century, both traditional and non-traditional. Take advantage of this opportunity to see what’s new, get answers to your questions and to learn the next steps for your club.

Sept 10 at 8 pm Youth Protection Guidelines and You
Are you working with youth as a Kiwanian? If the answer is yes, you need to know Kiwanis International’s Youth Protection Guidelines. Develop a better understanding of your responsibilities, best practices for working with youth and how to protect yourself and others from risky situations.

Sept 17 at 8 pm Ready. Set. GROW! Enhance your Growth Potential
Is your club poised for growth in the coming year? Learn how to create an effective growth plan with a focus on service to the community and value for club members.

Sept 24 at 8 pm Club Liability Insurance
From liability limits to claim reporting and many other topics, this is a must for club safety coordinators—and anyone else who helps plan club events.
LOVE YOUR CLUB? JOIN!

What do you love about your Kiwanis-family club? Whatever it is, membership makes it happen. So the Kiwanis family is making membership growth a priority—with the global campaign for growth.

The five-year campaign is driven by local Kiwanis clubs, so success depends on the efforts of club members. And it ultimately strengthens clubs like yours. After all, the stronger Kiwanis is in communities everywhere, the stronger it is in yours.

It all begins with members sharing their club story with others, using resources and tips that can help you add hearts and hands—strengthening Kiwanis, the club and the community around it. Find out more (www.KiwanisOne.org/lovenmyclub).

RECRUIT AND INSPIRE WITH “I AM KIWANIS” VIDEO

When you’re recruiting someone to join your Kiwanis club, sometimes the best way is to tell them what they share with current members. With the inspirational new “I Am Kiwanis” video, now you can show them.

Unveiled at the 2013 Kiwanis International convention, the video is a brief overview of what Kiwanians are made of—from inspiration to compassion to community spirit. It can serve as a good reminder to current club members why they’re Kiwanians. And when you show it to nonmembers, they might even find that they are Kiwanis, too.

See and download the video at http://youtu.be/-k72daiwcXI.

MEET THE 2013-14 CIRCLE K INTERNATIONAL BOARD

Delegates from Circle K International clubs across North America elected a new set of CKI leaders during the House of Delegates at the 58th Annual Circle K International Convention in Vancouver.

Congratulations to the new Circle K International board!

President: Daniel Tsang, Loyola University of Chicago, Illinois-Eastern Iowa District
Vice president: Amelia Ahnert, Penn State-University Park, Pennsylvania District
Subregion A trustee: Kathy Le, University of Alberta, Western Canada District
Subregion B trustee: David Limjoco, University of California at Los Angeles, California-Nevada-Hawaii District
Subregion C trustee: Jonathan Pevarnek, University of Michigan, Michigan District
Subregion D trustee: Jonathan Lacaba, Oklahoma State University, Texas-Oklahoma District
Subregion E trustee: Alex Bour, University of Toledo, Ohio District
Subregion F trustee: Danielle Sammut, Brookdale Community College, New Jersey District
Subregion G trustee: Stefan Ludlow, Georgia Institute of Technology, Georgia District
International trustee-at-large: Mason Kuang, University of Waterloo, Eastern Canada District

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP GROWTH AND EDUCATION


This committee’s main goal is to increase membership. The committee should consider all membership applications and submit its recommendations to the board of directors. The committee also should develop an effective orientation and induction ceremony for new members and promote regular attendance by all members at club meetings.

Resources on www.kiwanisone.org

- Club Excellence Tool
- Member information form
- Build a new club
- Recruit new members
- New member application
- Growth Tools
- Achieving Club Excellence
- One-Minute Speech
- Personalized club brochure
- Club invite template
- Tips for Growth
- Reveal your growth potential
- Club growth step-by-step
- Improve your club
- Start a Kiwanis Service Leadership Program
- Are you the One?
- Club Leadership Education
- Webinars
- What is the Club Excellence Tool
There are more than 300,000 members of all ages involved in Kiwanis youth programs. Almost all Kiwanis clubs sponsor an SLP club and do projects with youth. When we work with and mentor youth during projects and activities, their care and welfare are being entrusted to us.

It might be hard to believe that a troubling incident involving a youth and/or club member(s) could happen in any club or community. But there are countless examples in all places, with all types of youth service organizations. Every member has to know how to protect the youth with whom we interact and ourselves.

Kiwanians in particular have good reason to act with the highest standards. If we want to be the premier provider of youth service clubs and programs, we need to hold ourselves and our fellow members to the highest standards of conduct and awareness.

These resources outline Kiwanis’ policies related to working with youth and provide training materials to implement a training at your club, division or district event:

- Kiwanis Youth Protection Guidelines (effective 10/1/2013)
  http://community.kiwanisone.org/media/p/28076/download.aspx
- Kiwanis Youth Protection Guidelines training PowerPoint
  http://community.kiwanisone.org/media/p/28081/download.aspx
- Kiwanis Youth Protection Guidelines trainers guide
  http://community.kiwanisone.org/media/p/28082/download.aspx
- Kiwanis Youth Protection Guidelines training worksheet
  http://community.kiwanisone.org/media/p/28091/download.aspx
- Kiwanis Risk Management and General Liability
  http://www.kiwanisone.org/Pages/Resources/default.aspx?PageID=122

All adults working with youth under the age of 18 at any Kiwanis event are expected to read/understand, agree to, and abide by these guidelines.

Chaperone: A chaperone is defined as a Kiwanis member, faculty member, parent, legal guardian, or person who is in loco parentis, twenty-one (21) years of age or older, that has been approved by the school or agency and registered with the school or agency to accompany the youth members at the specific event.

Use of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco: While attending any Kiwanis event that is produced primarily by or for the benefit of youth, adults are expected to refrain from consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or use of tobacco products during any portion of the event.

Reporting: If a Kiwanian observes troubling behavior involving a youth at a Kiwanis event or becomes aware of a situation that is illegal or potentially unsafe for a young person at a Kiwanis event, he/she must immediately contact the appropriate personnel at the event as well as provide notification to law enforcement personnel as appropriate. All local, state, provincial, and federal laws regarding reporting must be followed.

Overnight Stays: While attending a Kiwanis event that requires overnight stay in a hotel or camp/conference setting, adequate adult chaperoning is expected and must include no fewer than one adult male for each ten or part of ten youth males, and one adult female for each ten or part of ten youth females. Except for a parent sharing a sleeping room or other sleeping quarter (e.g., tent) with his/her own child, no adult should share a hotel or dormitory sleeping room or other sleeping quarter with a youth. In the event that sleeping quarters consist of multiple beds, such as a bunkhouse or camp cabin, adults may share the sleeping quarters with youth members of the same gender, provided that two or more adults are present.

Transportation: Adults transporting youth in a vehicle should do so with a second adult in the vehicle, or in hardship cases, the “rule of threes,” being at least three people in the vehicle at all times, is recommended. All transportation decisions should be made in accordance with local laws and school policies.
Medications: The possession of prescription and non-prescription medications by youth at a Kiwanis event should be permitted only by the written permission of the parent/guardian.

Criminal History Background Checks: Criminal history background checks for adults working with youth may be required for all such adults and if conducted should conform to applicable local and state/provincial laws and requirements. In the absence of any other requirement to do so, Kiwanis clubs are required to have a clear background check of any member serving as advisor to any Service Leadership Program club, program or activity. Clubs are strongly encouraged to ensure confidential background checks for all adults who will be working directly with youth outside of the school or who may not have undergone a background check.

All adults working with youth at all Kiwanis International-sponsored events including Key Club International Convention, Key Club Governor and Administrator training conference, and Key Club International Leadership Conference, and any Key Leader weekend, must have a background check that is approved or conducted by Kiwanis International. (See Kiwanis International Policy B and Procedure 197 for complete information regarding criminal history background checks.)

Conflicts with Other Rules: Whenever these guidelines conflict with local school policies or rules, or local state/provincial, or national laws or regulations, the highest applicable standards for conduct shall prevail.

Personal Information: All documents bearing personal information of any youth attending a Kiwanis event, including registration forms, medical information forms, permission to treat forms, etc. should be treated as confidential. Processes that protect this information must be created, including minimizing the number of people who have access to any such documents. The documents shall be maintained a minimum of three years or longer as may be required by applicable state/provincial laws and regulations. After the maintenance period has expired, the documents shall be destroyed in a way that maintains confidentiality, such as shredding. The disposal and destruction of all confidential information shall conform to applicable state/provincial laws and regulations.

Youth and Social Media: For any social networking site that involves requesting a connection (such as inviting someone to be a friend on Facebook), adults should never initiate such connections with youth. If a youth requests such a connection from a Kiwanian, he/she should use their best judgment in responding. Adults should treat their interaction with youth on social networking sites as though the interaction were occurring in public, in front of other adults and young people. In other words, if it would not be appropriate to say something to a young person in public, it should not be said as a comment on a social networking site either. Kiwanians should refrain from interactions that can be seen as excessive (such as constantly “liking” or commenting on a person’s posts on Facebook). Prior to posting any media online, such as photographs, obtain permission from any and all individuals (or parents for minors) that appear in that media; it could be illegal to do otherwise. (See Kiwanis International Policy B for complete social media guidelines.)

Behavioral or Health Issues: Kiwanians are often seen by a young person as an adult to trust with personal and/or sensitive information. Kiwanians should refrain from counseling youth and should instead find, or assist the young person in finding, appropriate expert assistance.

Education: Every Kiwanis club is expected to inform and educate its members on these guidelines, best practices, and what individuals must do when aware of youth in potentially harmful situations. This education must occur annually, including providing a copy of these guidelines to each club member.

Every Kiwanis district is expected to provide an educational forum or workshop at every district-produced convention and conference on guidelines and best practices for adults working with youth, using materials provided by Kiwanis International. These policies can be found in Kiwanis International Policies and Procedures as Procedure 432.
RISK MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL LIABILITY

BACKGROUND CHECKS

Protect your club … and those you serve. Kiwanis-club membership is a wonderful opportunity and an important responsibility. From working with young people to managing club finances, member activities require trust and integrity.

These days, more organizations are protecting themselves with background checks. Thanks to Kiwanis International’s relationship with Safe Hiring Solutions, your Kiwanis club has access to criminal-history background checks for club members. For any Kiwanis club whose members work with children, manage club accounts or take on other potentially sensitive roles, it’s an important option to consider.

Safeguard what matters most to Kiwanians: the children you serve, your members’ confidence and your club’s reputation.

About Safe Hiring Solutions

Criminal-history background checks are an optional service for Kiwanis clubs. With Safe Hiring Solutions’ secure electronic process, background checks require no paperwork for you or your club. Safe Hiring Solutions provides criminal-history background checks, employment screening, investigation and verification. Clients include corporations, schools, nonprofit organizations and many other entities.


BACKGROUND CHECKS

Best practices for club policies

With Safe Hiring Solutions, your club has an option for criminal-history background checks.

Before you implement background checks, we recommend a first step: develop a club policy. Here are best practices for developing a policy.

The basics

Here’s what you need when developing a policy:

- The name and contact information of the screening vendor
- Information to be collected in the background check
- How information would be collected (e.g., by government source or commercial screening vendor such as the one Kiwanis provides through Safe Hiring Solutions)
- Period of time the screening would cover
- Clarity about how results would be communicated and to whom
- Consequences for members who decline a background check

For your convenience, Kiwanis International also provides a sample policy and procedure, with suggested language to help guide your club’s leaders.

Information security

Here’s how to keep your club’s background check information safe and secure.

- Never email screening reports without using encrypted technology. Normal email is highly insecure.
- Store authorizations and printed reports in a locked filing cabinet with controlled access.
- Limit access to screening reports exclusively to people who would make a decision on a volunteer candidate. Safe Hiring Solutions provides three levels of access to help maintain privacy:
  - Level I: Can only order reports but not view completed reports
  - Level II: Can order and view only reports ordered by the user
  - Level III: Can view everything in the account

Record retention

Maintain screening reports as part of your club records for at least seven years. Safe Hiring Solutions allows reports to be archived online indefinitely.
Criminal record policy
Provide club leaders with direction for action when a criminal record is found. The security of children, volunteers and Kiwanis members should be paramount. Many organizations, such as school districts, have policies that define the impact of offenses on membership or employment. The following categories may serve as a model for your club’s policy for members and for any paid employees:

- Definitely exclude: Decision-makers will likely want to exclude those who have been convicted of crimes such as sexual violence, violent crimes, felony theft, child abuse, child exploitation, child molestation, child seduction, dealing in drugs, possession of child pornography or Internet child crimes.
- Exclude for a period of time: Crimes such as DUI, theft, simple possession of narcotics and illegal consumption may not be disqualifying after a period of time, such as 5–10 years, has passed.
- Don’t necessarily exclude: Offenses such as minor moving violations don’t necessarily have an impact on volunteering.

SAMPLE POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR CLUBS ON CRIMINAL HISTORY BACKGROUND CHECKS

Criminal History Background Checks
To ensure the highest standards of leadership, the Kiwanis Club of ________ requires a clear criminal history background check for all [insert positions: ___________________________] as part of the eligibility criteria to hold such positions.

Additionally, to ensure that adults working with youth are of the utmost moral fiber, the Kiwanis Club of ________ requires a clear criminal history background check for any Kiwanians or nonmembers working on behalf of the club with youth under age 18 (such as club chairs and administrators and their assistants or committee members) and for all adults – both Kiwanians and non-members – registered for, participating in, or staying overnight at any event organized by the club involving youth under age 18.

Successful completion of the background check (a “clear check”) is based on verification that none of the convictions stated in the Kiwanis Club of ________ policies as attached or similar thereto have been determined for that person. For club board members, a clear check is necessary to be an eligible candidate and thus must be completed before elections are held. For club appointees, a clear check is necessary before assuming the position. For adults working with youth as stated above, a clear check is necessary prior to arrival at the club event. (Clubs may consider a policy for board members, new members, members working with youth, or all members)

The club recognizes only its own criminal history background check process as valid*. All background checks shall be reviewed and evaluated by the __________* and determined to be clear or not clear, based on the criteria stated in the Kiwanis Club of ________ Policies. The Club President shall be advised if a check indicates a problem or concern that requires further investigation or is determined to be not clear. In either case, the __________** shall notify such person. A check that is not clear causes automatic denial of the right to hold the position or attend the event in question.

*Clubs are recommended to use the same service KI uses (Safe Hiring Solutions).
**Determine which person(s) will review the background checks. This should probably be the Club Secretary, since they often have the greatest experience in administrative tasks and often serve more than one year in office, providing continuity in the process. A committee should not be appointed to review background checks, because having several people involved encumbers the process and violates privacy. The Club Board shall have final authority on the matter.

An individual may receive a copy of his/her background check by requesting it in writing. Background checks are valid for a period of two years. All relevant persons who have not had a criminal history background check conducted and verified as clear within the past two years at any given time are subject to a new check.

(See also the club procedure on background checks for more information.)
SUGGESTED PROCEDURE FOR CLUBS TO ADOPT

Note: If a club has only policies, these procedures may be included in the policy instead.

Criminal History Background Checks
To carry out the club policy on criminal history background checks, the following shall apply.

1. Responsibility for Costs
Each individual subject to a background check shall be responsible to pay the charges. Checks shall be conducted as inexpensively as reasonably possible to assure accurate results. (Or the club can add the cost of the check to the club dues)

2. Convictions that Cause Ineligibility
A criminal history background check is considered “not clear” if it indicates: a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; a felony or conviction or registration of a violent and/or sexual nature, involving any type of abuse of a child, involving threatening or intimidating behavior, or otherwise of a physical nature; or a felony related to larceny or theft. (The club can refer to the examples of such convictions found in Kiwanis International Procedure 197 or determine their own examples)

Other types of felony convictions will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the __________________________.**

**This should be the same person specified in club policy.

Any conviction legally reversed or overturned by the proper authorities shall not be considered when evaluating the background check.

3. Discipline
Individuals with a background check determined to be not clear will be subject to the following actions:

A. Current club board members or club appointees will be disciplined as determined by the Club Board, including but not limited to suspension or removal from their position.

B. Candidates for any club board position or club appointment will be considered disqualified as a candidate for such.

C. Adults wishing to participate in club youth events will not be allowed to do so.

D. Conduct unbecoming process may be engaged depending on the convictions identified in the report.

2014 KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION WEBSITE IS UP

In 2014, the Kiwanis International convention travels to Japan. At the new convention website, you can learn more about the big event, which will take place July 17 - 20, 2014.

Discover the harmony of old and new in Japanese culture. Plan your trip to the Asia-Pacific region. And get tools to promote the 2014 convention. For every Kiwanis club, sending delegates to the Kiwanis International convention is a way of ensuring the club has a voice.


REGISTER FOR THE CONVENTION

Registration for the 99th annual Kiwanis International Convention will open in January 2014. The convention will take place July 17–20, 2014. The exhibit hall, workshops and general sessions will be at the Makuhari Messe International Convention Complex, located 2-1, Nakase, Mihama-ku, Chiba-city, 261-0023, Japan. Due to the convention center’s close proximity to all official hotels, no shuttle service will be available.
BOOK YOUR HOTEL WITH KIWANIS RATES

As a Kiwanian, you can get your room at preferred Kiwanis rates. So don’t book until you see the discount you’ll get with us. We book hotels in blocks for greater discounts. Hotels are assigned by district, so check out the hotel assignment list in October. Experience the convenience of staying at the same hotel as your fellow district members. Great rates available—warm fellowship included.

Book your hotel room with Kiwanis starting in October.

JAPAN. ENDLESS DISCOVERY

Japan is always tuned in to the future. But Japan also values its traditions. There are many ways travelers can experience authentic Japanese heritage—past and present—without spending too much money.

Get a view of Japan’s history and heritage with a visit to a shrine, temple or castle. Visitors often get fantastic insights into Japan's history and how its society has developed.

Try different local cuisines in every town you visit. Yes, sushi is a large part of Japanese heritage—but myriad flavors from around the world have contributed to Japan's robust foodie culture. In fact, Tokyo is ranked the number one food city by Food and Wine magazine. And Tokyo has more stars in the prestigious Michelin Guidebook than any other city in the world. From noodles to sashimi to gourmet French cuisine, Japan satisfies the most discerning of palates, as well as the strictest of budgets.

Come celebrate 50 years of Kiwanis in Asia-Pacific. Attend the Tokyo-Chiba convention. And enter the gateway to a wondrous part of the world.

EXPERIENCE THE CONVENTION

Become an expert on Kiwanis: Attend a convention.

Engage and exchange with other Kiwanians. Gather tools you will use once you're back with your club. And make sure your club has a voice: Vote for the future leaders of Kiwanis and weigh in on proposed amendments. If you plan to be a delegate for your club, fill out the certificate of election of club delegates and alternates to the Kiwanis International convention.

But Kiwanis conventions aren't all about business. You'll experience inspiring speakers and entertainers, and you'll be able to purchase tickets for additional entertainment and speaking events. And of course, the fellowship is foremost during convention. Come meet old friends and make new ones in Japan!

The exhibit hall, workshops and general sessions will be held at the Makuhari Messe International Convention Complex.
TOOELE VALLEY KIWANIS – GREAT AMERICAN AWARD – 5TH GRADE

The Tooele Valley Kiwanis Club completed a very successful year with their new program, “Great American Award” in partnership with Settlement Canyon Elementary School. The Great American Award Program is designed to support the 5th Grade curriculum studying “American History”. Settlement Canyon Elementary was selected as the pilot school to test this program in their 5th grade classes. There are a total of six requirements for the Great American Award Program as follows:

- Sing or recite the first verse of the National Anthem — “The Star Spangled Banner”
- Recite the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution.
- Recite the names of the 44 Presidents in order
- Recite the Gettysburg Address
- Write the Pledge of Allegiance with no spelling or punctuation errors.
- Label the States and Capitals on a U.S. map

One requirement was introduced each month in the classroom. At the end of the month a “pass-off” day was held where members of the Tooele Valley Kiwanis Club came to the schools and listened to each student recite their requirements for that month. On some of the requirements they are allowed a set number of “Helps”. There is no limit on the number of tries to complete each item. An additional day to “pass-off” any requirements that have not been passed off was held so that all students had a chance to be successful.

Students who completed 2 requirements or Bronze Level were awarded a Certificate. Students who completed 4 requirements or Silver Level were awarded a Certificate with an American Flag Pin. Students who complete all 6 requirements or Gold Level were awarded a beautiful Gold Medal. The Gold Medal had the “Lamp of Learning and Book of Knowledge” depicted on the front and engraved on the back “Kiwanis Great American Award”.

Of the 86 students who participated 76 received Certificates (completion of 2 requirements), 56 received flag pins and certificates (completion of 4 requirements) and 32 students received gold medals, flag pins and certificates (completion of 6 requirements). Completion of all six requirements was indeed an achievement marked by the students’ enthusiasm as they ran up to the front of the awards assembly to receive their gold medals.

Settlement Canyon has requested that we run the program again during the 2013—2014 school year. With 33% of the students receiving gold medals the Tooele Valley Kiwanis Club will be there next year with the “Great American Award” program.

AKTION CLUB OF ONTARIO, OREGON CHARTER PRESENTATION

Wayne Frey, President of Kiwanis Club of Ontario, Oregon presides over the charter recognition of the Kiwanis Aktion Club of Ontario, Oregon Inspirational message: The Power of Attitude: "Our lives are not determined by what happens to us, but how we react to what happens. Not by what life brings to us, but by the attitude we bring to life. A positive attitude causes a chain reaction of positive thought, events, and outcomes. It is a catalyst...A spark that creates extraordinary results." Today, the Kiwanis Club of Ontario is proud to recognize the charter of the Aktion Club of Ontario, Oregon.

Kiwanis Aktion Club Sponsor Chairperson – Grace Hammond Grace has supported the idea of an Aktion Club for several years. She convinced The Kiwanis Club of Ontario, Oregon to sponsor an Aktion Club. Thank you, Grace for taking the lead on this!

The Kiwanis Aktion Club is for adults living with disabilities. This is an organization supported by Kiwanis International. John Dillon presents the Aktion Club Charter to Aktion Club President Joe Janssen

Aktion Club Officers
Joe Janssen - President
Bill Pauley - Vice President
Carolyn McConnell – Treasurer
Reed Whaley - Secretary

Wayne Frey presents a Flag, Bell, Gavel, and Aktion Club Banner to Carolyn

Wayne Frey awards Officers and Advisor pins Kiwanis Aktion Club members received membership pins and certificates.

Kiwanis Aktion Club of Ontario, Oregon is already involved with fund raising events. They have done a Car Wash and a Chili Dog/Bake Potato Feed