

# PICTURE & PARAGRAPH

KIWANIS CLUB OF THE PHOENIXVILLE AREA

## Happy Birthday America! July 2018

### 1,001 Days and \$1,001 Donation

A Letter to Donald Coppedge from former Kiwanian Ronald F. Motzer and his wife Barbara A. Motzer:

"Dear Don,

I have spent hours, days, months, and years in Reeves Park. Summer time the PARK was the place to be. We were young people, kids you might say. Kids that did not care about race / color / creed / gender or how much money your daddy made. I continue these words today. We were entertained with swings, rubber horse shoes games, teator tots, monkey bars, arts and crafts to name a few. I received my first kiss by a local young lovely on the cheek at the age of 8, allowing her on the steps to the sliding board first. The pick up baseball, dodgeball, and football games, working up a sweat and just plain getting dirty. Later in life the Kiwanis Chicken BBQ, Dogwood Festival Booth, Kiwanis Patriot Day, and helping my father to repair the benches in front of the stage. I can honestly say I have spent 1,001 days in Reeves Park. Please accept from my wife and me our check for a dollar a day for the new children's playground."

Sincerely,

*Barbara and Ron Motzer*



Olive Rich is a member of P.E.O. The P.E.O. (Philanthropic Educational Organization) Sisterhood is an international women's organization of about 230,000 members, with a primary focus on providing educational opportunities for female

students worldwide.

P.E.O. makes a difference in women's lives with six (6) philanthropies:

1. Educational Loan Fund lending money to qualified women
2. International Peace Scholarship for international women
3. Program for Continuing Education for need-based grants to women
4. Scholarship Awards for substantial merit-based scholarships
5. STAR Scholarships for exceptional high school women
6. Cottey College supported by P.E.O.



Since June 1986, Kevin Thomas has been District Executive/Director/Secretary/Treasurer of the Pennsylvania District of Kiwanis International. Prior to working for Kiwanis he worked in commercial and business insurance.

He has been a member of the Kiwanis Family of Organizations since 1980 and has held many volunteer positions in Kiwanis. He was Kiwanis International Chair for the Early Childhood Development and Young Children Priority One Committee and presently serves on that committee.

He resides with his wife Audrey in East Pennsbury Township in Cumberland County. (Cont. Pg. 3)

**Kimberton Fair - Help Needed Particularly on July 25, 27, and 28 from 6:15pm to 10:00pm**

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*Serving The  
Children of the  
World!*



Our Newest Member  
is a Former Member  
Who Decided to  
Rejoin the Club!!

WELCOME  
HOME!!

JOYCE FOX



**The Joker is Wild!**



**THE WINNER IS!**

**YVONNE  
BROWNLEE  
SHE WON THE  
PROGRESSIVE  
50/50 IN THE  
AMOUNT OF  
\$346.50**

**QUACK!  
QUACK! DUCK  
RACE**

**JULY 15, 2018**

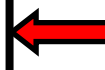


**KIWANIS CLUB CALENDAR**

- \* June 21 - Regular Meeting - Kevin Thomas  
Executive Director - Pennsylvania Kiwanis
- \* June 23 - Children Plaza Programs Begin
- \* June 25 - Kiwanis Board Meeting
- \* July 5 - Kiwanis Meeting - Duck Stuffing
- \* July 14 - Ticket Booth at BLOB FEST
- \* July 15, 2018 - THE GREAT DUCK RACE
- \* July 19, 2018 - Regular Meeting - Steve Kambic  
& Petra Housing
- \* July 23 - 28, 2018 - Kimberton Bingo Week
- \* July 30, 2018 - Board Meeting



HEY COACH!



**The Lighter Side**



PHOENIXVILLE KIWANIS  
**KIDS FEST**

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**WHY DID YOU JOIN KIWANIS? TO GET INVOLVED OR NOT?  
AT OUR MEETING ON JUNE 21 SOME OF US FOUND OUT WHY WE  
JOINED KIWANIS!!!**

## GET INVOLVED!

Call to Action...there are many ways Kiwanians can help!



**Kiwanis**  
PENNSYLVANIA DISTRICT

**Small children need big  
champions...become one  
today!**

1. **Spread the Word** -- Build local support by inviting a member of the Early Learning Investment Commission Speakers' Bureau to talk to your Kiwanis Club or other business group. Let us know if you need additional materials to share with others.
2. **Give of yourself** -- Volunteer to be a reader or tutor in a local childcare center and/or encourage your fellow employees and members to be literacy volunteers for young children.
3. **Encourage** your Club's Young Children Priority One (YCPO) Committee Chair to identify and implement opportunities.
4. **Make the Case** -- Join our efforts to help policy makers understand the issues at stake. Contact your state Senator and Representative and ask them to support investment in the state's early childhood education programs. You can find biographical and contact information on these leaders and all members of the General Assembly on their web site at [www.legis.state.pa.us](http://www.legis.state.pa.us).
5. **Consider adopting a local early learning center.** Find out what you can do to help a center become a high quality center and provide a great start for their students.
6. **Participate** in the "Learning is Everywhere", "Kindergarten Here I Come" "Everyday I Learn Through Play" Guide project.
7. **Consider** supporting an early intervention program such as the Nurse-Family Partnership.

### WORLD PROJECTS

- First, Kiwanis has already eradicated one disease from the planet, specifically **Iodine Deficiency Disorders (IDD)**
- Second, **Eliminate** - The eradication of Neonatal Tetanus - continues to progress.
  - When we began the project in 2011, there were 59 countries at risk for the disease. It has been eradicated in 44 of those countries. The 15 remaining will be some of the most challenging as they include such places as Congo, Yemen and Sudan.
  - A goal of \$110,000,000 has been collected or pledged to date; \$78,660,913 has been collected with \$31,339,087 still outstanding in pledges.
  - Pennsylvania goal was \$1,254,834; \$1,165,435 has been collected. **The Kiwanis Club of Phoenixville has donated \$11,025.78 or \$202.03 per member. That makes it the top giving club in Division 22.**

**KIWANIS  
STATISTICS  
702,701  
MEMBERS**

Organization	Website	Members	Clubs	Nations
KIWANIS	<a href="http://kiwanis.org">kiwanis.org</a>	193,842	7,019	79
AKTION CLUB	<a href="http://aktionclub.org">aktionclub.org</a>	12,420	510	16
CIRCLE K (CKI)	<a href="http://circlek.org">circlek.org</a>	13,958	469	14
KEY CLUB	<a href="http://keyclub.org">keyclub.org</a>	276,076	5,143	44
BUILDERS CLUB	<a href="http://buildersclub.org">buildersclub.org</a>	37,850	1,514	23
K-KIDS	<a href="http://k-kids.org">k-kids.org</a>	35,775	1,343	23

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## LAUNDRAMAT READING CENTERS - IT IS DONE FOR FREE!

### Brain Charging Station: Promoting Early Literacy and Winning Customers

*Learning to read and count at an early age has a big impact on children's achievement.*

*Reading aloud to children, starting from birth, helps them grow to be successful adults.*

*Laundromats can help their customers, their communities and their bottom line by providing spaces that encourage reading to young children - at no cost!*

### Benefits for the Laundromat Host

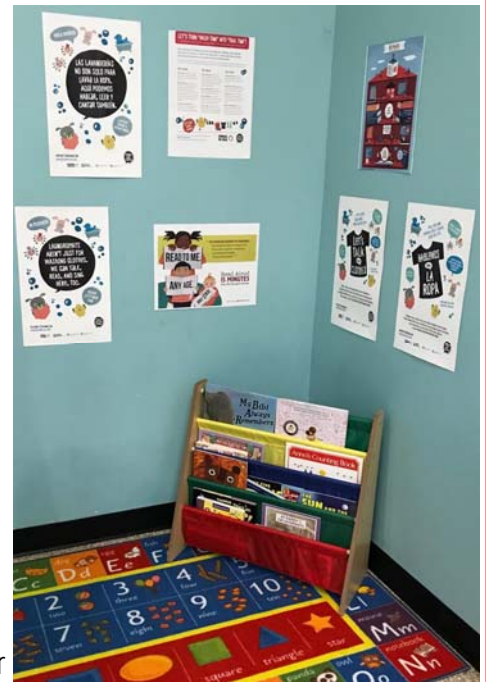
- Attract customers and distinguish your laundromat
- Provide productive distraction for customer's children
- Contribute to improving children's literacy
- Enhance reputation as a good corporate citizen

### The Laundromat Host will

- Agree to host the Brain Charging Station for one year.
- Provide space - book holder is 2'x1', and rug is 3'x4.5'
- Volunteer provides the book holder, books, rugs and posters
- Keep space tidy, encourage books to remain at laundromat
- Allow volunteer to take photos for publicity purposes

### The Volunteer will

- Set up reading station with book holder, books, rug, posters
- Visit at least monthly, for one year, to tidy up and refresh books. Volunteer will secure new or lightly-used books. Books should not have religious, political or controversial themes.



## EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT – CALL TO ACTION

- Early Childhood Development Seminar at the District Convention, Pittsburgh, Friday, August 10, 2018, 8:00am.
- 2017 - 800 Kiwanians read to over 22,000 children all across Pennsylvania.
- Advocacy work to promote legislation and programs which benefit the youngest children and their families.
- Partner with Daycare facilities to help those facilities improve, their staffs to achieve higher education and to help with access affordability issues for families of children in those facilities.
- Continues to support home visitation programs such as the **Nurse Family Partnership** to help them meet the needs of the children and families they serve
- Since August 2011, we have distributed over 236,000 of our Early Learning Guides.
- Beginning to initiate **Laundromat Reading Corners**. The South Philadelphia Club in Division 22 has set up 4 of them to date.

