We had an outstanding celebration at the 100th anniversary celebration during our convention in El Paso, Texas. The Committee Chair and Host Clubs made it a memorable experience with antique cars, Steve Siemens as a keynote speaker, entertainment by CKI, our Key Clubbers, and Elvis, a 100th birthday cake, and many other special activities. Please join me in wishing the District a “Happy Birthday” that sets the pace for the next 100 years!

Our membership for the District increased by 79 at the end of July. Many clubs have prospective members in a “holding pattern” flying around the club and waiting to land come October 1st. The thinking is the new club member can avoid paying dues twice. However, this sometimes is counterproductive, since those who are interested today change their minds and move onto another commitment. First Lady Joyce and I are offering to pay for 10 new members if, for any reason, a club’s Administrative account cannot absorb the expense of $65 (contact: eaverburg@yahoo.com). Several clubs already have responded, so make your contact sooner rather than later to take advantage of this opportunity.

We opened 12 K-Family clubs and three Kiwanis clubs this year. Another Key Club in Gilbert is being formed and likely will be chartered by September. At the El Paso convention, many were recognized for their recent contributions to their clubs and the District. Some of those include:

- Governor’s Award – Ceci Ann Medina, Lt. Governor, Horizon City Club, Division 6
- Volunteer of the Year Award – Dorothy Pfeifer, Silver City Club, Division 7
- Lt. Governor of the Third Quarter – Dawn Lang, Chandler Club, Division 18

*Elvis during his performance*

*Our Southwest District birthday cake*
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR (CONT.).

• Lt. Governor of the Fourth Quarter – Jennifer Phillips Yee, Downtown Scottsdale Young Professionals Club, Division 12
• Club Opener Awards
  - Kiwanis Club of Socorro County – John Baumberger and Horse Pfeifer
  - Greater Douglas Kiwanis Club – Don Townsend, Nilda Townsend, Candie Drouin, Crystal Madden, and Greg Dodson
  - Kiwanis Club of Flagstaff – Ron Smith, Tony Gutowski, and Rodger Ely
  - Mark Twain K-Kids Club – Jeff Rowe
  - Holbrook Key Club – J-Me Ballo, Cindy Percy, and Elise Pitterle
  - Pebble Hills Key Club – David Hendrix, Bob Henderson, Linda Miller, Claudia Villalva, Marco Kato, and Ceci Ann Medina

All awards presented this year are on the SW District website listed under “Awards and Recognition”. Clubs still may download criteria and a certificate under this same topic to recognize a club member as their Volunteer of the Year.

It has been a true privilege to serve as your Governor this year. First Lady Joyce and I thank you for your warm hospitality during our visits to clubs, Divisions, and service events.

Together We Can, Together We Will!
Governor Ed

DISTRICT ELECTIONS AND BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

During the convention in El Paso, elections were held. We are pleased to announce the new officers for 2018-2019 as noted below:

• Governor Designate: Don Levine, Corrales Club, Division 2
• Governor Elect Designate: Harry Shapiro, Glendale and Westgate-Glendale Clubs, Division 13
• Vice Governor Designate: Don Townsend, Sierra Vista Club, Division 9

The following bylaw amendments were approved:

• Amendment Number 1: Allow past club Treasurers to be elected Lt. Governor
• Amendment Number 2: Include Aztec and Bloomfield, NM clubs in geographic description
• Amendment Number 3: Provide that Governor Elects may be at large delegates
Kiwanis Family
By Lori Ann Bonomo,
Impact Chair (Service and Partnership Coordinator)
Southwest District Kiwanis

Service is better when Kiwanis clubs team up with partners, that is, our own Kiwanis branded Service Leadership Partners (SLPs). School is back in session and what a better way to kick off a new year than by planning a service project with your K-Kids, Builder’s Club, Key Club, CKI, or Aktion Club. The benefits of this partnership are many: 1) enrich your community or a particular cause by committing to a great service project, 2) meet and form a bond with a K-Family leadership partner, 3) connect with members of the community and introduce them to Kiwanis, and 4) most of all, share what Kiwanis is all about! If your club does not sponsor a Kiwanis branded SLP, perhaps you can get involved with a Kiwanis International partner like Boy Scouts of America, Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, to just name a few? Visit Kiwanis.org to view a list of great potential partners that align with the Kiwanis mission. I am also available for questions and would love to hear from you. Call or email me anytime at 575-574-2543 or loribonom07@gmail.com.

Submit More Service Articles: Please send stories and photographs of service projects to Lori Bonomo, Impact/Service Committee Chair at loribonomo7@gmail.com for future editions of the newsletter.

Fundraiser for Your Club and the District

The Southwest District has reached an agreement with Mister Car Wash to fundraise in Tucson, Sierra Vista, Albuquerque, Las Cruces, and El Paso. The District has set up a shopping cart and web page to sell the wash passes. We would like to sell five (5) passes for $60. At this point, we are only set up to sell the full car wash and not the express. The car washes are $12 each.

How it Works:
• Sell wash passes for full retail value
• Keep 50% of the proceeds minus the District 5% charge and credit card charge
• You can sell in 7 week increments and 4 times per year
• Builds a data base of contacts that can be retrieved through the District
• Passes have no expiration dates
• Wash passes are valid across the nation
• Mister Car Wash now operates 229 car washes in 21 states
• Send back unsold passes
• Only pay for passes sold

Please contact Don Levine if you would like to participate in this program.
The Mission of the Children’s Fund
To Assist Kiwanians in serving the children of the world (that does include your own community).

Where do the funds come from?
The Funds come from individual contributions and pledges, the Annual Contributions from Clubs, the awarding process for the Hixson Fellowships. The Walter Zeller Fellowship is specifically for the Eliminate Project to eliminate Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus around the world.

How can Clubs and Districts get the funds?
There is a return of 15% to the Districts of all fund contributed by the Clubs and individuals in each respective District. And there is also a Grant Process for Clubs and Districts to apply for matching grants. During the upcoming Kiwanis Year there will be three (3) opportunities to apply instead of the previous twice a year.

- **Disaster Relief** – Funds go directly to the local Kiwanis Club nearest to the location of the disaster. They are used to assist children (Shelters, Medical Needs, Food, School) and to create a sense of normalcy as soon as possible.

- **Grants** – Can be used for any Club effort to address the need of the children in their respective community. It is important for the club to also have a buy-in or investment into the project and if possible local community support.

- **Scholarships** – Top Five Districts receive Scholarships last year 2015-2016 we were 4th and received 2 $1,000 Scholarships. This year we received $10,000 in scholarships 5x$2,000 for our efforts in 2016-2017 and finishing First in the World.

WE NEED TO STEP IT UP: Our goal is to reach $20 per member average — we are at $6.82 per member. We have until September 30th, 2018. As of Sept. 1st, please forward your contributions to our SWD Chairman Clint Fontaine at 1262 N. Bogle Avenue, Chandler, AZ 85125, to insure that our funds are submitted timely and accurately prior to mid-night on September 30th, 2018.

Ron Smith