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ON THE COVER...
DISTRCT CONVENTION GOERS PROBABLY SAW THIS COLORFUL ABE LINCOLN MURAL IN DOWNTOWN SPRINGFIELD.

from the GOVERNOR 2018-19

The 2018-19 Kiwanis year had a lot of positives and a few challenges. The Illinois-Eastern Iowa District (clubs and individuals) contributed just over $50,000 to the Kiwanis Children’s Fund this Kiwanis year. This is the fourth-most of all districts. The I-I District ranks fifth in total money contributed to the Eliminate Fund during the campaign. We gave $170,070.04 this year (through August 31). Thanks to all that have contributed so generously to the Kiwanis Children’s Fund.

It goes without saying that the Kiwanis Neuroscience Research Foundation would not be able to continue sponsoring the research that it does without the contribution of I-I Kiwanians. This year, a pediatric cardiologist was added to the exemplary group of researchers.

The Key Club of Champaign-Urbana had our district’s entry in the Kiwanis Signature Project Contest for their Tom Jones Challenger League project. “TJCL focuses on children, ages 6–21, with varying degrees of physical or mental challenges and works to provide a safe environment for kids to [play ball] and enjoy themselves.” Although C-U Kiwanis didn’t win the Signature Project competition, this is still a wonderful endeavor, and all of their participants are winners.

The Go-Baby-Go project with the Kiwanis Club of River Forest-Oak Park as the sponsoring club had their adaptive vehicle build in June. Many Kiwanis Clubs, Key Clubs, and an Aktion Club participated in the build. A dozen cars were given to kids with mobility issues. GBG had their First Annual Fundraiser at the Autobahn Country Club where two more adaptive vehicles were given away. Attendees were given the option with a slightly bigger donation to drive a luxury car on the track or take a ride in a race car. The founder of GBG, University of Delaware researcher Dr. Cole Galloway, was the keynote speaker.

The service of Division 17 clubs impacted almost 4,000 children who attended the WQPT (PBS) Imagination Station. Division 8 held a work day at Camp Independence painting, fixing planters, and picking up forest trash. There were river cleanups and river flooding projects undertaken as multi-club projects. Perhaps the biggest multi-club endeavor is the Key Club District Convention/Learning Conference.

You just have to love the energy and enthusiasm of our Service Leadership Programs (SLPs). Key, Aktion, Builders, Circle K and K-Kids clubs embrace the intersection of: the Call to Lead, the Heart to Serve; And the Courage to Engage. The 2018–19 Kiwanis Lieutenant Governors (LTGs) undertook the challenge to secure Kiwanis club sponsorships for 16 ‘orphaned’ Key Clubs; they were mostly successful.

The LTG team spent a good deal of their training on leadership development. They were asked to spread the ideas of having “positive teams” within their divisions. Obviously, club culture does not change overnight and maybe not even in one year in clubs that have a negative culture. Kiwanis clubs need to learn to grow and retain members in their local clubs in order to endure. In short, create a club culture that will be providing service for 10, 20, or 30 more years. That is possible only in a positive environment that just won’t quit. We desperately need more club counselors who have the time and skills to coach struggling clubs.

There were so many great club projects that members can be proud of. Clubs have formed partnerships within their communities to extend the impact of their efforts. Club have also demonstrated that they can find creative fundraisers that bring in a lot of revenue. Revenue fuels scholarships and capital improvement within communities. Kiwanis clubs can (and do) have huge beneficial effect on their communities, and this year was no exception.

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LET’S MEET WHERE IT’S MAGIC.

International Convention photos provided by Rob Raycraft (Normal Kiwanis Club).

ORLANDO, FLORIDA

Kiwanis Convention 2019
Walt Disney World® Resort, Florida

JUNE 27-30
**PROPOSED amendments**

During the business session, delegates passed one resolution and one amendment to the Kiwanis International Bylaws; three amendments proposed were rejected and one was withdrawn.

**Adopted**
**PROPOSED RESOLUTION Safe Kids**

This resolution puts into writing something all Kiwanians believe: All children deserve to be safe. This resolution requires no action by Kiwanis International, clubs, or districts, but exemplifies to the world Kiwanis’ unwavering mission of serving the children of the world.

**Adopted (with revisions noted in green)**
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 1 Nondiscrimination Clause**

To add a nondiscrimination clause to the Kiwanis International bylaws. Adopted with the following revision (noted in below in green): Section 10. Kiwanis clubs shall not discriminate based upon race, color, creed, national origin, age or sex, including sexual orientation and gender identity, when considering membership or during any of their activities or operations and shall conduct business in compliance with local nondiscrimination laws.

**Failed**
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 2 Abstention on Trustee Votes**

To allow delegates to abstain from voting for the complete number of Trustee offices to be filled.

**Failed**
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 3 New Requirement for Vice President**

To require that Kiwanis International Trustees must have at least a one year absence from the Board before subsequently serving in the offices of Vice President, President-elect, or President.

**Withdrawn**
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 4 New Trustee Seat for a Member Under Age 50**

To establish a new seat on the Kiwanis International Board guaranteed to be held by a person who is age 50 or under at the time of election.

**Failed**
**PROPOSED AMENDMENT 5 Family Membership Status**

To permanently adopt a new family membership status that provides a 50 percent discount on Kiwanis International dues and fees for qualifying members. Clubs may utilize this new status, provided the club’s district also first adopts a family membership status (50 percent discount) regarding district dues and fees.

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**BUSINESS SESSION**

For details about each proposal and board proposer/board positions, consult the proposed amendments booklet.  

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**2019-20 INTERNATIONAL leadership team**

**President**
DANIEL VIGNERON
Howald, Luxembourg

**President-elect**
ARTHUR N. RILEY
Westminster, Maryland

**Vice President**
PETER J. MANCUSO
North Bellmore, New York

**Newly Elected Trustees**

GARY “COOP” COOPER
Fayetteville, North Carolina

DAVID W. HURRELBRINK
Kansas City, Kansas

CATHY SZYMANSKI
Erie, Pennsylvania

Per Kiwanis procedure, election to the positions of President and President-elect were unchallenged.
ICON DELEGATE NUMBERS

1,557 Registered delegates
1,490 Delegates at-large in House of Delegates
401 At-large Delegates
1,891 Total in House of Delegates

FUTURE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

JUNE 18–21, 2020
Indianapolis, IN

JUNE 24–27, 2021
Salt Lake City, UT

See details about the winning Signature Projects and a list of all submissions and finalists at bit.ly/2019SigProjectWinners

IMMEDIATE PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT JIM ROCHFORD AND KI STAFF MEMBER BRYCE KINDER ANNOUNCE THE 2017-18 DISTINGUISHED DISTRICTS, IMMEDIATE PAST I DISTRICT GOVERNOR TERRY CUMBER (RIGHT FRONT) WAS CALLED FORWARD TO RECEIVE HIS RECOGNITION. THIS TOOK PLACE AT THE KIWANIS NIGHT AT THE SPIRIT OF ALOHA DINNER SHOW AT DISNEY’S POLYNESIAN VILLAGE RESORT.

INTERNATIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT ART RILEY GOT A LITTLE GOOFY AT THE FRIDAY BUSINESS SESSION WITH INTERNATIONAL CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER BEN HENDRICKS.
SPECIAL guests

Leslie Nwoke, M.D. is a physician and executive coach. She is also the founder and CEO of HeartWork Now, the online learning and personal development platform. She believes embracing our emotions is the path to living in our purpose. Dr. Leslie has a diverse background in medicine, global health and nonprofit leadership. She co-founded The Ruby Project, a nonprofit offering mentorship for girls who have experienced trauma, and Making Noise, Inc., an advocacy organization for African sex trafficking survivors.

Jim Collins, Good to Great author, opened the 2019 Kiwanis International Convention at Walt Disney World Resort® in Florida. Collins has authored or coauthored six books that have sold more than 10 million copies worldwide, including “How the Mighty Fall,” “Great by Choice” and “Built to Last.” Collins has invested more than a quarter century in vigorous research about what makes great companies tick. In 1995, he founded a management laboratory in Boulder, Colorado, where he conducts and engages with CEOs and senior-leadership teams. In addition to his work in the business sector, he has a passion for learning and teaching in the social sectors, including cause-driven nonprofits. In 2017, global media company Forbes selected Collins as one of the 100 Greatest Living Business Minds.

Promises still matter, and a handshake still means something. That’s the message Alex Sheen shared with attendees at the 2019 Kiwanis International Convention at Walt Disney World Resort in Florida. Sheen is the founder of because I said I would, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the betterment of humanity through promises made and kept. Sheen shared some of his promises kept and encouraged and inspired guests to make and keep a promise of their own.

Roland Kupka, M.D. is a senior nutrition adviser at the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) headquarters in New York. In this role, he provides strategic support to UNICEF’s nutrition programs operating in more than 90 countries. Dr. Kupka currently also serves on the Board of Trustees of the Micronutrient Forum and on the Board of Directors of the Iodine Global Network. Over the last 20 years, Dr. Kupka’s work has focused on devising effective intervention strategies to improve maternal and child nutrition, especially in the area of micronutrients. This work has led to more than 75 publications in scientific journals and books. A German national, Dr. Kupka completed his doctoral training in Nutrition and Epidemiology at Harvard University.

Azhar Abid Raza, M.D. heads the maternal and adolescent immunization sub-unit at the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) headquarters in New York, managing the global maternal and neonatal tetanus elimination (MNTE) and Human Papillomavirus (HPV) programs. During his 18 years at UNICEF and the World Health Organization (WHO), he has contributed to the development of the global MNTE Strategy and Investment Case, the development of Pakistan’s national guidelines for polio eradication, measles mortality reduction and MNTE, and supported the design and monitoring of advocacy, communication and social mobilization for these programs.

Dillon Kalkhurst is the author of the book Generation Everyone! A Guide to Generational Harmony at Work, School, and Home. In his interactive Saturday morning session, he examined differences in generations and explored generational preferences and values. Different generational stereotypes were discussed, and he encouraged guest to learn to embrace their inter-generational friends, members and family members. Before becoming an author and speaker he enjoyed an educational marketing and strategic partnerships career, and most recently served as executive director of business development and community development at Scholastic. He founded The Center for Intergenerational Engagement to support the findings in his book. He is a member of the Ormond Beach Kiwanis Club.

Tammy Chang, M.D. is a health services researcher and practicing family physician with a passion for adolescent health, specifically, breaking the cycle of poverty and poor health among adolescent mothers and their children. Her research is focused on improving access to reproductive health care and promoting healthy pregnancy weight.
gain among at-risk adolescents through use of technology and social media. Chang actively mentors numerous high school students, undergraduate students, graduate students, medical students, and post-doctoral fellows to fill the pipeline of future health services researchers.

A former member of Key Club, she spoke during Closing Session about how Key Club affected her life, and how important it is for adults to mentor and guide youth.

Magician and comedian Justin Willman has been seen on the six-episode Netflix series Magic for Humans with Justin Willman and recently announced his new residency called “The Magic Show” at the historic Roosevelt Hotel in Los Angeles. He’s also appeared on The Tonight Show, Ellen, and Conan. His debut comedy/magic special Sleight of Mouth premiered on Comedy Central in 2015 to rave reviews. Willman is also a consultant and writer for film and television productions like America’s Got Talent, The Goldbergs, and Disney’s feature film Magic Camp. Willman appeared on stage at the 2013 Kiwanis International Convention in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Convention guests enjoyed some classic rock music during the Kiwanis Gala: An Evening with Don Felder. Felder is the renowned former lead guitarist of the Eagles, one of the world’s most popular and best-selling bands in history. A member of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame since 1998, Felder was a member of the Eagles for 27 years, putting his mark on numerous Eagles milestones.

Felder originated the music and co-wrote their biggest hit—the iconic Hotel California—as well as other fan favorites like Victim of Love and Those Shoes. He became immediately celebrated for his lyrical, signature guitar work on legendary songs like Hotel California and One of These Nights.
Thank you to all of our fellow I-I District Kiwanians who joined us in Springfield for the 2019 District Convention! We had a great weekend of fellowship, training, and inspiration. We enjoyed time with friends new and old; and because our convention overlapped with the Key Club board meeting, we got to enjoy their company (and insights) at our meals.

Our convention started on Thursday with a picture-perfect golf outing and an evening among history as we dined at and toured the Old State Capitol. We want to give another big thank you to the staff at the historic site who made that possible—including the excellent tours.

The Crowne Plaza served as a great host for a weekend of activity. In addition to the many training and networking sessions, we had plenty of fun. We imagine that many of us still remember the enjoyable evening with hypnotist Jim Wand and the Chicago e-Kiwanis Club stocked a quite-popular hospitality suite. But we also did some great work, raising funds for our scholarships and charities, largely due to the efforts of the team in our fundraising room and Nancy Aldridge. We also partnered with the greater Springfield community and collected almost 7,000 diapers for local charities helping people in need. Well done, Kiwanians! Kids do, indeed, need Kiwanis.

None of this would have been possible without a host of volunteers—arriving early, greeting everyone with a cheerful face, and staying late when necessary. We had a group of Circle K students from Blackburn College who stepped up and filled in a lot of the gaps for us. And it almost goes without saying (but never should) that our planning committee did fantastic work in brainstorming and organizing the convention—a heartfelt thank you to all those team members. Finally, a special thanks to Andrea Raycraft and Jill Haacke who had everything prepared and answered our many questions.

Congratulations to Governor Alan and First Lady Grace Arbuckle for a successful year at the helm. Incoming Governor Charles Smith, we wish you success and look forward to a great year as we get busy living!

We had a wonderful time getting to celebrate with you and meeting so many wonderful Kiwanians—not strangers, just friends we hadn’t met yet. Thank you for allowing us to be convention chairs; it was truly an honor.

TOM AND ELIZABETH BAZAN
2019 DISTRICT CONVENTION CO-CHAIRS
THURSDAY ACTIVITIES

BUNN GOLF COURSE
district golf outing

THANKS TO OUR GOLF SPONSORS!

Past Gov. Larry Forsberg
(Pardridge Insurance)

Security Bank

Downtown Springfield

Kiwanis Club
FRIDAY ACTIVITIES

district board meeting and daytime activities

IMMEDIATE PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT JIM ROCHFORD

IL CIRCLE K GOVERNOR CHRISTINA SANDERSON (BLACKBURN COLLEGE)

Kiwanis INSPIRING SERVICE IN OUR FUTURE LEADERS
Keeping with the theme of ‘Inspiring Service in our Future Leaders’, inspirational quotes could be seen in numerous locations during DCON.
The DCON Diaper Drive collected nearly 7,000 diapers!

Thanks to all who donated.

opening session and dinner

“Make your life a masterpiece; imagine no limitations on what you can be, have or do.” — Brian Tracy
“It is hard to see things when you are too close. Take a step back and look.” – Bob Ross
INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEE DAVID HURRELBRINK AND PAT HURRELBRINK

CONVENTION CO-CHAIRS ELIZABETH AND TOM BAZAN

2018-19 IL KIWANIS GOVERNOR ALAN AND FIRST LADY GRACE ARBUCKLE

WINNERS OF THE PAST LT. GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST WERE RECOGNIZED
opening session entertainment
WITH HYPNOTIST JIM WAND

“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.” – Gandhi
These Distinguished clubs and Lt. Governors for the 2017–18 Kiwanis year were recognized during Friday night’s festivities.

Congratulations to all!

2017–18 Distinguished Lt. Governors

Div. 3  Mary Zeronas  Div. 17  Dr. Thomas Hanson
Div. 6  Debra Ciesielski-Paliferro  Div. 20  John Blasek
Div. 7  David O’Rear  Div. 21  Patrick Divine
Div. 8  Thomas Kramer  Div. 22  David Daniel
Div. 9  Phillip Hartweg  Div. 23  Jeffrey Dalton
Div. 15  Daniel Morizzo  Div. 26  Joann Daugherty
Div. 17  Blain Cornwell

Candidate for Governor
CHARLES SMITH
Decatur Golden K Kiwanis Club (Div. 27)

Candidate for Governor-elect
MARK PETERSEN
Moline Kiwanis Club (Div. 17)
business session
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

“The time is always right to do what is right.”
— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
KNRF Luncheon & parade of love

Amador Medallions Presented at DCON

Debra Paliferro, Montclare Elmwood Club (Division 6)

Connie Barreras, Glendale Heights Club (Division 9)

Timothy Robieson, Western Springs/Hinsdale Club (Division 5)

John Miles McClure, Taylorville Club (Division 30)

Jyl Zubiate, Eureka Greater Area Club (Division 20)

Robert Bischoff, Decatur Golden K (Division 27)

Stephen Rayhill, Decatur Golden K (Division 27)

Wilbert Davis, Bloomington Club (Division 22)
### All 2018–19 Amador Medallion Recipients

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### Top Fundraising Awards 2018–19

#### Top 10 CLUBS

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#### Divisions with 100% Club Participation

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<td>Janene Albrecht (Batavia Club)</td>
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<td>Lisa Powell Williams (Moline Club)</td>
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#### Top Service Leadership Program (SLP) Clubs

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### Kiwanis Family Totals

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| Total Kiwanis Clubs | $23,754.16 |
| Total Funds Raised  | $26,389.46 |

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### Chairman’s Awards 2018–19

#### Division 3
- Archer Road  
  Amount: $437.00

#### Division 6
- River Forest/Oak Park  
  Amount: $2,843.44

#### Division 9
- Central DuPage  
  Amount: $655.00
- Elmhurst  
  Amount: $750.00
- Glen Ellyn  
  Amount: $969.50
- Glendale Heights  
  Amount: $330.00
- Lombard  
  Amount: $460.00
- Villa Park  
  Amount: $2,301.00
- Wheaton  
  Amount: $930.00

#### Division 10
- Elgin Golden K  
  Amount: $550.00
- Geneva  
  Amount: $737.50
- St. Charles  
  Amount: $1,100.00
- St. Charles Golden K  
  Amount: $705.87

#### Division 11
- Alpine Rockford  
  Amount: $945.00

#### Division 12
- Byron  
  Amount: $300.00
- Dixon  
  Amount: $600.00
- Sterling  
  Amount: $500.00
- Geneseo  
  Amount: $912.00
- Kewanee  
  Amount: $300.00
- Moline  
  Amount: $1,000.00
- Rock Island  
  Amount: $575.00

#### Division 13
- Galesburg  
  Amount: $452.00

#### Division 14
- East Peoria  
  Amount: $300.00
- Peoria Earlybirds  
  Amount: $314.10
- Peoria  
  Amount: $516.40
- South-West Peoria  
  Amount: $662.30

#### Division 15
- Frankfort  
  Amount: $300.00
- Park Forest  
  Amount: $350.00
- Watseka  
  Amount: $500.00
- Will County 321  
  Amount: $500.00

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### Club Participation Awards 2018–19

#### Chairman’s Awards 2018–19

- Lexington Kiwanis Club  
- Mont Clare Elwood Park Kiwanis Club  
- Glendale Heights Kiwanis Club  
- Elmhurst Kiwanis Club  
- Western Springs/Hinsdale Kiwanis  
- Taylorville Kiwanis Club  
- Eureka Kiwanis Club  
- Decatur Golden K Kiwanis Club  
- Decatur Golden K Kiwanis Club  
- Bloomington Kiwanis Club  

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### KNRF Chairman & President

- Past Gov Larry Forsberg, Kiwanis Club of Sycamore

### KNRF Executive Director

- Past Gov Ken Whitemore, Kiwanis Club of Alpine-Rockford

### KNRF Vice President

- PLG Bob Wilton, Kiwanis Club of Peoria

### KNRF Treasurer

- PLG Mark Petersen, Kiwanis Club of Moline
“Change your thoughts and you change your world.”
– Norman Vincent Peale
Whether you presented a donation as part of the Parade of Love or at another time during the 2018–19 Kiwanis year, many thanks to all who contributed to KNRF!
GOVERNOR’S banquet

GOVERNOR-ELECT MARK PETERSEN AND KAREN PETERSEN

IMMEDIATE PAST INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT AND FIRST LADY JIM AND DEB ROCHFORD

DISTRICT CONVENTION IS ALWAYS A LITTLE MORE FUN (AND FUNKY!) WITH AWESOME CIRCLE K AND KEY CLUB MEMBERS ATTENDING!
As you likely know, the district office has moved into the home of the executive director, Andrea Raycraft—a measure to reduce costs for the district. Hopefully this move will delay a membership dues increase for a few more years.

You’re all probably aware that Kiwanis Peanut Day, Inc. decided to close abruptly without warning. However, some alternative sources for peanuts will actually lower the cost of peanuts for clubs that participate in Peanut Day. Thanks to Past Governor Rick Poulton for all his efforts to make this happen.

Membership and club closures are difficult to discuss. As I write this, in the middle of September, the I-I District has lost 18 clubs this year. These clubs had 168 members to start the year. These closures were not area-specific and have occurred all over the district. Some of these clubs had over 12 members listed at the beginning of the year.

We have recruited 557 new members in the district, about 8.8% of the September 30, 2018 membership. It is important not to just bring in new members but to bring in service-minded individuals. This is true in both new clubs and existing clubs. The statistic that the average new member only continues their membership for only 4.5 years has to change. Our members, especially new members, need to regularly attend Kiwanis functions. But, our clubs need to be welcoming places that give members a sense of belonging. We should remind our members that Kiwanis offers free service leadership education for those members willing to attend district and international conventions. Kiwanis membership has to be of value to members.

The need to recruit and encourage women members to take leadership positions is ongoing. If there were as many women as men in the district, the I-I district would have had about 8,470 members to start the year. The district can’t get there by recruiting as many women as men. We need to be proactive to recruit more women. We need to go where service-minded women are—PTOs and scouting may be a huge untapped source. It would be great if more women became the recruiters of new members both in new clubs and existing clubs.

I want to sincerely thank the members and clubs of the Mighty Illinois-Eastern Iowa District for the opportunity to serve.

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2018–19 I-I DISTRICT GOVERNOR

“We know what we are but know not what we may be.”
— William Shakespeare