A BRIEF HISTORY OF KKF

On Nov. 12, 1963, Kansas Kiwanis Governor Jack Smith approved the creation of a Kansas Kiwanis Foundation. A charter was issued by the Secretary of State of Kansas.

The desire to honor the memory of the leaders who built Kiwanis in Kansas was the underlying drive for the second Governor of the Kansas District, Jim Putnam, to persistently pursue the building of the foundation. The first president of the Kansas Kiwanis Foundation was Dr. Howard T. Hill of Manhattan, the first Kansan to be elected to the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees.

Richard Mankin, Emporia, a former Lt. Governor, served as the first secretary of the Foundation. Clarence Wilke, El Dorado, a former District Treasurer, served as the first treasurer. An executive committee of “Founding Fathers” met in Emporia on Oct. 11, 1964 and drafted and initiated the preliminary plans for the Foundation.

The Kansas Kiwanis Foundation has become not only a major factor in strengthening and supporting Kiwanis in Kansas, but serves as an efficient and effective vehicle to assist clubs in serving their communities.

ABOUT THE PIN DESIGN

Brittany Bange of Colby, KS, a student at Fort Hays State University, designed the pin. She did the painting of the pin which will be auctioned at the 2013 Kansas District Convention in Manhattan.

DON’T MISS OUT ON THIS UNIQUE COMMEMORATIVE PIN

The Kansas Kiwanis Foundation 50th Anniversary Pin will be available during the 2012-13 Kiwanis Year, beginning at the 2012 Kansas District Convention in Lawrence.

Persons donating $50 or more to a special anniversary fund will receive a pin. The proceeds of the anniversary fund will be designated for scholarships for students.

The pins will be numbered from 1 to 1,000. We will auction select numbered pins such as 2 through 10 (Brittany gets pin #1), 100, 500, 1,000 and possibly others.

Join Our 50th Celebration & Help Give a Scholarship to a Student!

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