



Kiwanis

MINNEKOTAN

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Welcome to the latest news from around our Minnesota-Dakotas Kiwanis District. In addition to articles by some of district leaders you will also find many interesting articles and photos from Kiwanis Clubs in our district.

As always we encourage clubs to submit news articles about their activities, service projects or fundraisers. To submit an article go the District News on our website and find “News-News Story Submission” page <http://mndak.portalbuzz.com/Page/1013>

This document is a PDF summary of the latest news that can also be found on the district website. If you prefer you can also view all of our news articles directly on the district website. You can search by District, Division or Club and view or print each article individually or as a group. In addition the photos appear in a larger format on the website. Here is a link to the website <http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/1012>

An archive of current and past MINNEKOTANS can be found on our district website <http://www.mndak-kiwanis.org/Page/1014>

Steve Handegaard
District Secretary/Treasurer
Minnesota-Dakotas District Kiwanis International

A New Year, A New Governor - 10/1/2016

Submitted by: Peter Larson, District Governor

October 1st starts the Kiwanis Year. I am proud to be serving the District this year as your Governor. I will work with many of you and attend a great many meetings and events. Our challenge is to help bring about Kiwanis International President, Jane Erickson's hope that we "Energize the Dream... That Every Child is Happy, Healthy, Safe and Loved".



You will find that I want to be very involved with the Service Leadership Programs, Key Club, Circle K, Aktion Club, K-Kids, Terrific Kids and BUG. These programs are what separate us from the other service organizations and are the major reasons I joined Kiwanis 21 years ago. One District Position that is sadly missing is our K-Kids Administrator. The training conference for the K-Kids Administrator is in January 2017 so we need to have someone selected by December 1st so he/she is ready to start his/her year on April 1st. Please contact me if you can step up to this important position. When you see me around the District with my tie with the hands on it or the t-shirt with the hand on the back: those hands are from President Jane's K-Kids, so you should understand how important she believes K-Kids to be.

The next big step to meeting the needs of children is to attract new members to our clubs to work with us. The Minnesota Dakotas District has been challenged to find 725 new Kiwanis members this year. We can meet this challenge by: inviting potential members to our club meeting and service projects: getting our Kiwanis brand out there as a positive force in our communities as we perform our service projects: try new things like satellite clubs or 3-2-1 Clubs so younger individuals can join us even if they cannot make regular meetings: use corporate memberships when useful: and always remember to have fun in your meetings and on service projects.

I have shared other goals with your Division Lt. Governors but if we can make this goal this will be a great year for us in the Minnesota-Dakotas District.

October Update - 9/30/2016

Submitted by: Steve Handegaard, District Sec/Treas

October is the start of another Kiwanis year. Welcome to our new Governor, Peter Larson and the great team of Lt. Governors and other district leaders. They will be working hard to promote and support

Kiwanis in your area. They are there to help local clubs at any time. Just give them a call or send them an email.



2016-2017 Directory of District Kiwanis Officers: A directory of all of the new District Officers and Lt. Governors can be found on our district website. <http://mndak.portalbuzz.com/Page/1018>

Important information for processing your club's membership for the 2016-2017 billing period: Club Secretaries should have received this message earlier from Kiwanis International, but just a reminder! It's that time of the year to prepare your club's 2016-2017 membership. Your club may begin updating your club membership. Go to the KiwanisOne Club Management portal at www.kiwanisone.org/login.

You have until September 30 to add new members and until October 10 to delete non-returning members. These updates will be reflected in your 2015/2016 certified membership count. Kiwanis will use this updated information to invoice clubs in October 2016. We appreciate your assistance in maintaining accurate membership records and reporting your membership changes on time!

Kiwanis International Club Recognition Award: Kiwanis International President Jane Erickson has announced a "new" Club recognition program for 2016-2017. Click here <http://portalbuzzuserfiles.s3.amazonaws.com/ou-87/userfiles/files/club%20recognition%20program.pdf>

District Board Minutes: You can review the minutes of our District Board Meetings and the 2016 House of Delegates at the following link: <http://mndak.portalbuzz.com/Page/1021>

DISTRICT WEBSITE and MINNEKOTAN !!! Thanks to all the clubs that have submitted articles! If you have club "news" that would be of interest to other clubs around the district, please submit them to our website....things like new service projects or fundraising ideas that your club has tried. You can also share a photo. Your story will also appear in the monthly MINNEKOTAN. The news submission form is located on the "News" menu of the new website. <http://mndak.portalbuzz.com/Page/1013>

Club Election Reports: We are still missing some club election reports. If your club has not submitted your 2016-2017 club election report, please do so right away. The easiest and preferred way to submit the election report is for the club secretary to do it online. Even if you have the same officers as last year we need to know or we will not have the necessary information to communicate with your club. Also a

reminder that if any of your reported officers change during the year, the club secretary can edit the club election report online at any time.

Monthly Club Reporting: Just a reminder to club secretaries and presidents that if you have submitted all of your 2015-2016 monthly club reports online, you will not need to do a separate Annual Report. All of the necessary information will already have been submitted via your monthly reports. Complete your September report by no later than October 10th. If your club has a new secretary, be sure that they get registered for the online reporting program. If you have questions about that, let me know.

Club Incorporation Reminder: All Kiwanis Clubs are or should be incorporated with their respective Secretary of State. Non-Profit Corporations such as Kiwanis Clubs are also required to file an annual renewal each year. The renewals are quite easy to do, but sometimes they slip through the cracks when officers change. Each state has a slightly different procedure so see the website for your respective Secretary of State for details. You can also check the status of you club renewals online. Here are links:

- Minnesota- <http://mblsportal.sos.state.mn.us/>
- North Dakotas- <https://apps.nd.gov/sc/busnsrch/busnSearch.htm?formyear=2007>
- South Dakota- <https://sos.sd.gov/business/search.aspx>

Club meeting times and locations: Just a reminder to keep your club meeting time and location up to date on the Kiwanis International website. Anyone visiting the Kiwanis International website can now search for clubs anywhere in the world. The “Find a Club” is found on the Kiwanis International website <http://www.kiwanis.org/kiwanis/clubs-for-every-age/find-a-kiwanis-club#.Ukm7CZMo7IU> Give it a try. See if your club information is current. Your club secretary can update your club meeting location online at any time through the same portal that is used for monthly club reporting. Many prospective members use this online search method to find a club.

If I can be of any assistance, please give me a call. Have a great Kiwanis year!

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Kiwanis Education Foundation - 9/29/2016

Submitted by: Peter Larson

The Kiwanis Educational Foundation, Inc. is our scholarship foundation. Although I have been confused at times by the name, this foundation is part of the Minnesota-Dakotas District of Kiwanis. It funds scholarships for high school seniors going to post secondary schools in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and Superior, Wisconsin. It is not part of the Kiwanis International Foundation. Every year scholarship applications are sent out to Kiwanis Clubs in the District that are then passed on to the schools in that town or city. Then the returned applications are sorted and matched to the qualifications and the scholarship winners are notified.



Now for the important part: to pay for those scholarships, the foundation needs your financial support. Only earnings from the endowment investments are spent each year so future students will receive scholarships. The contributions you make allow the endowment to grow and help cover the increasing cost of post secondary education, so be generous and support the foundation.

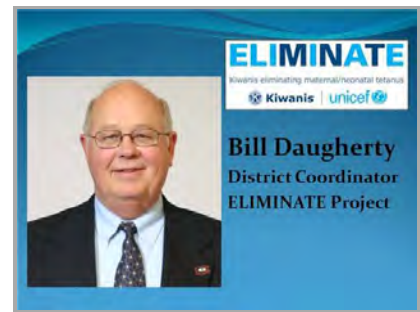
The Eliminate Project - 9/29/2016

Submitted by: Bill Daugherty

The following spreadsheet contains information from our Silent Auction at the District convention. It identifies the club and item.

As always clubs are encouraged to send their donations to KI the Eliminate Project as soon as they have funds to contribute. The sooner the funds are turned over to UNICEF, the quicker MNT can be controlled worldwide. Thanks for your help!

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Reasons to Visit Paris: Fashion - 9/28/2016

Submitted by: OTIC Chair Courtney Taylor

“Dress carefully,” advises Fodor’s 25 Best: Paris (2016). “More emphasis is put on appearance in France than in other countries, and smart casual dress is the norm.” The bad news is that you’re advised to leave your comfortable t-shirts at home. The good news is you’ll have some of the swankiest convention pictures yet! Just be sure to set your alarm clock a few minutes earlier than usual – our more relaxed, just-out-of-the-shower look is considered unacceptable in Paris.



Haute Couture is French for “high dressmaking,” a phrase dating back to the mid-nineteenth century. More recently, the term has evolved to describe expensive, trendy clothing produced in any fashion capital around the world. However, when used in Paris, it remains connected to specific and high standards. Would you like to merge your interest in history with your love of fashion? The *Palais Galliera*, built in the 19th century, now houses the *Musée de la Mode de la Ville de Paris*, a collection featuring thousands of pieces of clothing and accessories from around the world. The trends shown range from the 18th century through modern times.

The “little black dress” was created by Coco Chanel in 1926 and has been a crucial part of women’s wardrobes ever since. Ladies, you may want to include your own LBD in your suitcase for the grand event at this year’s convention!

District Key Club Fall Rally - 9/28/2016

The District Key Club Fall Rally will be held October 14-16, 2016 at Loretto, Minnesota. For more information click on the following link to see flyer. <https://portalbuzzuserfiles.s3.amazonaws.com/ou-87/userfiles/files/2016%20fall%20rally%20flyer.pdf>

If you would like to attend please email Mary Beth Townsend, District Key Club Administrator mary.b.townsend@mac.com



DID YOUR CLUB PARTICIPATE - 9/27/2016

Submitted by: E. Chuck Schroder

Another Kiwanis year has come and gone and has your club taken advantage of contributing to the Kiwanis International Foundation's Children's Fund? If not, why not? I would like to thank all the clubs that helped by giving to KIF this year. We didn't make our goal, but we came close and some of our Lt. Governors made the President's Challenge and will be honored at next years district convention.



Now is the time for your club and yourself to make plans for giving to the foundation this coming year. The demand is growing more each day with disasters and grant requests and the growth of our Key Clubs, Circle K, K Kids, Action Clubs. Make sure that your club's budget has a line item in it for the \$10.00 pr member. We can make things happen.

Again thank you all for helping the children of the world.

K-Family Float - 9/26/2016

Club: Fargo Rough Riders - Submitted by: Kaylee Arndt (WFPS Key Club President) and Kylee Arndt (WFPS Key Club Secretary)

This past September, West Fargo Public Schools Key Club, North Dakota State University Circle K, and Fargo Rough Riders Kiwanis

decided to strengthen our K-Family Bond by jointly participating in this year's West Fest Parade. As a group, we got together to create our float consisting of two convertibles. We decorated the float in blue and yellow streamers and balloons as well as signs crafted with our logos. We then walked the parade route handing out candy, t-shirts, and necklaces as well as holding fun signs promoting what we do. 19 K-Family participants and various other supporters came to help us create a fun promotional float! We hope to continue this event and are grateful for the amazing family we have.



Kiwanis Club of North Hennepin Greeters - 9/26/2016

Submitted by: Gail Heyda, Division 7 Formula Team Club Counselor

North Hennepin Kiwanis was one of forty nine business/organizational booths set up in downtown Robbinsdale at the annual Meet and Greet Event. We met and visited with many of the community visitors who were very interested in Kiwanis activities in the community. Courtney Heyda, Katie Polz, and I, Kiwanians, along with family members Charlie, Henry, Phoenix and Gil with dog, Scooter, had a very nice time welcoming visitors to our booth with information on Kiwanis and SLP programs. We have participated in this event for several years and gives us a nice opportunity to keep our club visible in the community with our involvement in sponsoring a Little League team, providing services at the annual city summer celebration, yearly Arbor Day and Sohacki Park clean up, member of the Chamber of Commerce and many more service projects. We felt very welcomed by all and look forward to next year. Our way to give back to our community.



Harvey Kiwanis Playground to Become Reality this October - 9/23/2016

Submitted by: Sandy Teubner

Harvey Kiwanis has been fundraising by seeking local donations and grants and state grants this past year to purchase and install

playground equipment in Centennial Park. It will soon become a reality! The equipment was purchased in July and the ground has been prepared. Installation is slated for October. Harvey Kiwanis and the community is very excited. "We are so appreciative of our group's fundraising efforts for this project as we are a small but mighty group of 13 members, said Sandy Teubner, President. We are proud to know we are providing our children a state of the art playground and it all came about through our Kiwanis member's drive & determination." Our upcoming event Sept. 28th with the Harlem Ambassadors will also add to our playground project fund and will be featured in a future write-up. Watch for pictures!



Pictured: Jared Hanson, Playground Project Lead, with new playground equipment as it is unloaded by our city crew.

Mitchell's Zombie Run - 9/21/2016

Submitted by: Linda McEntee

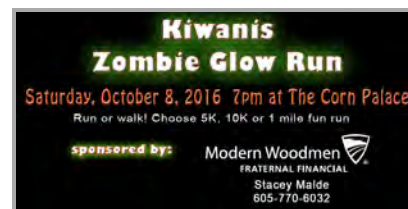
Mitchell Kiwanis will host it's 2nd Annual Zombie Glow Run. This run/walk has 3 options for participants to choose from: 5K, 10K and a 1 mile fun run.

October 8th - 7pm at the Corn Palace on Main Street.

This fundraiser will help us to reach our Eliminate Model Club pledge.

Sign up at Allsportscentral.com Wear a costume, get a team together and join us for the fun.

Call Linda at 605-770-8644 for more information



Supply Our Children - 9/7/2016

Club: Faribault - Submitted by: Marian Anderson

The Kiwanis of Faribault has been a part of the Supply Our Children collaborative in the community to provide needed school supplies to children in the Faribault Community. Thanks to a grant of \$6,160

from the Kiwanis International Foundation, \$1,500 donated from our local Kiwanis group; and great support in the community, school supplies were provided to nearly 1200 students. The Kiwanis project started over 10 years ago by donating school supplies directly to the schools to provide to students in need. It has evolved over the years to partner with community organizations to make the project what it is today.

The picture of people include (left to right): Kesley Novak Bethlehem Academy Key Club Vice-President; Bonnie Becker, Pat Langevin, and Mariann Goettsch from the Kiwanis of Faribault. This is the pre-distribution day filling the backpacks. Many other volunteers were involved.

