Governor— M.R. "Bob" Cox—Winona, MN
International President— William Lieber, Gary, IN
District Convention— Pierre, SD
International Convention—Nice, France
International Theme— Young Children Number One

Clubs started in 1992-93 that are still in existence today include: Detroit Lakes Morning and Mankato River Hills in MN and May-Port-Mayville, ND.

Cox cares about youth, throws first ball

Governor Bob Cox showed his caring ways when he promoted "take a Kid to the Ball Game."

Over 300 Kiwanians watched Bob throw out the first ball, gazed at the marquee that displayed his name, and joined in to sing "Take Me Out To The Ball Game" with 30,000 Twins Fans. Bob with his big, baritone voice added a foundation to the singing.

Cox supported Kiwanis Youth. On behalf of the District he received the KICK Award (Kiwanis Involvement Creates Key Clubs) and, the McKittrick Award from Circle K International. Other awards included: Distinguished President '81-'82, Distinguished Lt. Governor '85-'86, The Buckeye 400, Lt. Gov. New Club-Building Award for '85-'86 and the GEAR; Award for Membership '89-90 & '90-'91. Cox, as New Club Chairman, helped organize a Circle K, Key Club & Builders Club. His slogan, KIWANIANS CARE, fit his dedication.

Bob and Avis have four children. He spent 42 years in the Naval Reserves and was on active duty during World war II and during the Korean Conflict. He is what the Navy calls a Mustang— one who started as an Apprentice Seaman and was promoted through the ranks to reach the rank of Lieutenant Commander.

Kiwanians care for Kiwanians, Hurricane victims

St. Paul Midway Kiwanis Club presented a gift of money to the Homestead Florida Kiwanis Club to help anyone in need as determined by the Homestead Club.

Secretary Herb Elmstrom, sixth division Lt. Governor Pendy Eliou, Club President

Murray Krug and immediate Past President Bill Ash are shown presenting a check to Kiwanians who have a need in time of disaster.

Kiwanians Care

Midway Club presents check for disaster needs
Clubs care, give children priority one

Kiwanis

For the first time Kiwanis International Major Emphasis Project became a permanent program. Clubs all across the District recognized Young Children Priority One with committee chair persons.

Kiwanis Clubs created and developed safety programs, health projects, head start endeavors, and recreational facilities.

Grand Forks provides helmets

Lt. Gov. Marc Olson, President Nancy Nupdal present helmets to Nurse Cindy Healy and fit one on a patient at the Child Treatment Center in The Rehab Hospital.

As a part of their Young Children Priority One efforts Grand Forks Kiwanis Club donated helmets to the Child Evaluation Treatment Program at the Grand Forks Rehabilitation Hospital.

The helmets were used for instructional purposes for children and families to emphasize the importance of safety in recreational activities.

Mankato donates to Head-Start

On the right Paul Horrisberger of Mankato Downtown Kiwanis Club presents a $500 check to Shirley Bishop, Program Manager of the Minnesota Valley Action Council—Head-Start.

The money provided health insurance for up to 20 children who were previously uninsured.

Webster displays Kiwanis safety

Webster Club celebrated 77 years of service and conducted a "drive carefully" program that reminded all drivers to watch for children. The Club put up signs at most strategic intersections used by children coming and going to school.

Little Falls provides spiral slide

Mike Pontius presents $3,500 check to Little Falls Mayor Herman Johannes for special spiral slide.

Since Little Falls Kiwanis Club was chartered in 1961, the club has donated over $30,000 to the city to purchase playground equipment for Little Falls parks and playgrounds.
Kiwanians care: pay for camping, fishing

Mpls. pays $22,485 for campers

Chairman Gene Miller, Amanda Larson, Blair Larson, Chris Lemke, Lanny Chappus, Chad LaPlante, Erick LaPlante hold sign. Kiwanis guides in back include Wilbur Hinkley, Earl Newhouse, Lloyd Ofstedahl, and Roger Whitney.

Crookston Golden K Kiwanis Club arranged a day to “Take a Kid Fishing” on Maple Lake. The Kiwanis invitation went to a selected mailing provided by the schools.

The result was a great fishing party with Kiwanians baiting hooks with worms, leeches and minnows and helping in various ways. Both boys and girls pulled in a variety of Sunfish, Bullhead and Walleye before the day ended. Hot dogs and beans were served from the grill and pop cooled the thirst of sun and action.

Caring Kiwanians provide comfort toys, toy library

Mandan gives kids toys to police

Mandan Club collected stuffed toys, sewed on tags and prepared toys for the police to use as trauma tamers. Lionel Muthiah said, that when a child comes into contact with police something cozy helps make a traumatic situation "not so awful." Tags identify the toys as "Kiwanis Comfort Critters."

Madison helps build toy library

Madison, MN. Kiwanians helped Early Childhood Family Education build a toy library. Pictured below are Kiwanis Chair Julie Olson, Judy Ole, Wanda Ofstedahl, Key Club Representative Rob Englehart and Art Tostenson from Lutheran Brotherhood.
Governor promotes growth and service

Cox Reports Gains

Governor Bob Cox promoted growth in clubs, in membership and in service. In July he reported: "Congratulations to the Minn.-Dakotas District! You are leaders in Kiwanis Growth this year. You have a net gain of 1.38% in membership as of April 1, 1993. You are third place among the North American Districts and in seventh place among all Districts in Kiwanis International."

Fred Hubbard kisses young pig

Fred Hubbard from Watertown vowed that he would kiss a pig if the club reached 100 members. When the 99th and 100th members were introduced, Fred made good on his vow, and on the urging of members he did an encore to record the event on film.

Fred Hubbard kisses a pig with the help of Watertown Golden K President Eldor Larson

Kiwanian serves for 61 years

Hardy Rickbeil, nationally recognized hardware man, celebrated 61 consecutive years as a KIWANIAN this year. Hardy a member of the Worthington noon club, helped start the Worthington Early Risers in 1969 and the Worthington Golden-K Club in 1981. He has served on the City Council, headed the Chamber of Commerce and volunteered for many civic activities.

Kiwanians can do great things if they care not who gets the credit

Messer has 90th birthday dream

Minn.-Dakotas District recognized Joseph E. Messer's 90th birthday by reaching a goal of $400,000 for the Minnesota- Dakotas Educational Foundation. Messer, one of the main founders of the foundation, has contributed substantially to the program.

Club donates smoke detectors

Thief River Falls Morning Kiwanis Club initiated a project to donate a smoke detector to the parents of each newborn baby at Northwest Medical Center in Thief River Falls. President Earl Gibson reported that 27% of all fire related deaths are children five years old or younger.

Lori Marquis and her son Brody receive a smoke detector from President Earl Gibson. Jan Milender, RN and Dr. A. F. Scheuneman approve

Kiwanians Care
1993-94

Governor—Renard "Ren" Fetzer—Sioux Falls South, SD
International President—Art Swanberg—Dallas, Texas
District Convention—Willmar, MN
International Convention—New Orleans, LA
International Theme—Young Children—Priority One

Clubs started in 1993-94 that are still in existence today include: Rochester Golden K Day Makers, Champlin in MN and Grand Forks Silver K and Grand Forks Air Force Base, both in ND.

Governor displays magic of serving youth

Fetzer creates Kiwanis firsts

Governor Renard "Ren" Fetzer demonstrated his theme, The magic of Kiwanis, in the youth services he created: Ren initiated the first Kiwanis drug program in the Sioux Falls School District. He was the Chairman of a fund raiser for "Buddy the School Safety Beetle." And Fetzer initiated CAP, the Career Awareness Program for students.

Fetzer further demonstrated the magic of his service by Organizing the first Golden K in the state of South Dakota, by organizing the Golden Buffalos (Past Lt. Gov. Ass.), and by serving as the First Chairman of the Kiwanis Golden Buffalos.

Ren often displayed the magic of words which grew out of his vocation and avocations: He was Past President of the South Dakota Advertising Federation, A past member of International Brotherhood of Magicians, a past member of the Society of American Magicians, and a nationally known columnist, inventor and lecturer on magic.

In the March issue of the Minnekeotan Ren wrote, "With a New Kiwanis Club in Champlin, and the second highest District membership gain of the eleven Districts represented at the Governor's Conference, you as Kiwanians's have much to be proud of. To Keep up this fantastic momentum remember:

Our ends are joined with common link,
With one we sit, With one we think.
Success depends on which we use,
Heads we win... Tails we lose."

Cloquet builds indoor golf course for school youth

The Cloquet, MN Golden K Club built a portable miniature golf course for high School graduation parties. The six hole golf course contained hazards which were replicas of Cloquet landmarks. The course filled up about half of the Cloquet Middle School game area where the party was held. First Bank, Cloquet provided storage so the six hole Golf course can be used for future parties.

M—Motivation
A—Attitude
G—Giving
I—Involvement
C—Commitment

The Magic of Kiwanis
Clubs provide the magic of a circus, the magic of races and fun for children

Mankato crowd enters Carson & Barnes circus

The Mankato Downtown Kiwanis Club sponsored the Carson and Barnes Circus to raise funds for youth. Under the tent, which was larger than a football field, the cast included tigers, elephants, hippos, rhinos, horses etc. Jugglers, clowns, trapeze artists and animal trainers entertained crowds. The Downtown Kiwanis Club made a net profit of almost $3,000 on the circus.

Madison has crazy day's fun-run

Madison, SD Kiwanians held their 4th Annual Kiwanis Miracle Mile. The fun run for children 12 and under took place on a straight-away down main street in front of a large "Crazy Day Crowd" of Madison’s residents. Parents were invited to run or walk with their children and free prizes and refreshments were served at the finish line.

District introduces new logo

Gov. Fetzer and his Board introduced and approved a new Minn.-Daks. District logo and pin as presented by board member Lt. Gov. Lyle Solem.

Fargo-Moorhead provide carts

Kiwanians display Hjemkomst carts for tots

Children can see the photographs, recordings, and a 28 minute videotape chronicling the “Hjemkomst” and its incredible voyage across the Atlantic at the Moorhead Hjemkomst Center. Seven Kiwanis Clubs: Fargo-Moorhead, Fargo Downtown, Fargo Lake Agassiz, Fargo Rough Riders, Fargo Golden K, Moorhead, Moorhead Vikingland and Moorhead Golden K provided strollers for little children to ride in style throughout the center.

Five and six-year olds compete in 50 meter dash sponsored by Austin Noon Kiwanis Club.
Kiwanians provide magic for Christmas

Pipestone Kiwanians provide Christmas gifts for needy kids

"Christmas for Needy Children," sponsored and run by the Golden K Club of Pipestone got a shot in the arm from the American Legion Post. John Barenwald, Post Commander, presented Don Gamber, Frank Fashner and the club a check for $2,000 which aided the group in their attempt to provide Christmas gifts for those who ordinarily wouldn't have much of a holiday.

Blue Earth Kiwanis builds sign

Spiritual Aims Chair Joanna Shager Schulz led efforts to build a church sign. Businesses donated lumber and paint and Kiwanians donated labor.

Blue Earth Green Giant stands over church sign

Kiwanian Rev. Lyle Krumrie, Faith Lutheran Pastor Rev Rogness, Project Coordinator Joanna Schulz, Kiwanian Vic Johnson and Volunteer Jerry Schulz display their work.

Winona Noon club, spurred on by record-setting profits from the Steamboat Parade and advance sales of peanuts and pop, distributed monetary awards to many institutions and projects that aided children and youth, particularly the handicapped and underprivileged. Camp Courage for disabled children was one of the club's principal, annual, summer recipients.

Chairman Dr. Ahmed El Afanti led the club in its third annual winter clothing drive in mid-October. Local churches, factories, industries and super markets provided collection areas. Over 1400 people benefited from the distribution. Leaf Dry Cleaning cleaned all winter coats at an estimated cost of $1500. All items remaining after six days were Given to the Disabled American Veterans for their St. Paul store.
Foundation reveals magic of giving honor

Shirley Bostrom honors Ray

Jack Vantine gives Joe Messer an appreciation plaque for his 60 years of Education Foundation work and his gift of $81,576. (Photo by Andring)

The magic of Foundation giving is that the gift keeps on giving honor to receivers and givers

Minnesota-Dakotas Kiwanis Educational Foundation honored Joe Messer for his 60 years of work with the Foundation and for his recent donation of $81,576 at his own club, Watertown Golder K. Lt. Governor Jack Gable and Governor-elect Norman Kahn attended the meeting.

The foundation further honored Messer with a designated annual scholarship to a graduating senior from Watertown High School. High School Principal Randy McCune received a plaque for the designated scholarship.

Kiwanians honor leaders with symbols and artwork

District honors Merald Enstad

District Clubs honored Kiwanis International Past President Merald Enstad with a wood sculpture of himself.

Fred Congelow, renowned sculpture artist, worked for a year on the project. Governor Fetzer and his board raised the money through the year to pay for the surprise. Fetzer said, "Merald has been almost like a father to all of the Kiwanians."

Grafton honors their big wheels

Grafton, ND President Ken Loken and Past President Don Tuff, pose with the Kiwanis "Wheel" from a 1920 era car. Every president since 1951 has their name engraved on the wheel.

Shirley Bostrom of Grand Forks, ND honored her late husband, Kiwanian Ray Bostrom, with a $10,000 Designated Scholarship. The gift will provide an annual scholarship FOREVER to a Central High School senior who attends a post high school institution in the District.

The plaque pictured above was placed on display permanently at Grand Forks Central High School. A plaque expressing appreciation was also presented to Shirley Bostrom. Jack Vantine, Foundation President said, "The designated Scholarship is a unique and gratifying way to honor an outstanding Kiwanian."
1994-95

Governor—Norman L. Kahn, Hopkins, MN  
International President—Ian Perdrinau—Melbourne, Australia  
District Convention—Minot, ND  
International Convention—Las Vegas, NV  
International Theme—Young Children—Priority One  

Clubs started in 1994-95 that are still in existence today include: Arden View, Stewartville and Wayzata in MN, and Central Valley in ND.

Gov. takes responsibility, sets new goals

Kahn appoints IDD Chairman

Kiwanis International assumed responsibility for a worldwide mission in Governor Kahn's year, and he took responsibility for appointing E. Charles Schroder to chair the District program to raise three million dollars toward an International 75 million dollar program to wipe out Iodine Deficiency Disorders.

Governor Norman L. Kahn set five goals for which the District should take full responsibility. Governor Kahn called upon all clubs: 1. To take responsibility for increasing the vitality of each club through member retention, recruitment and service to the community.

Business acumen helps with PR

Kahn's business experience helped him promote Kiwanis public relations programs. Norm Founded and operated Imported Auto Parts Corp. from 1958-1982. And he was Recognized in 1976 by US Chamber of Commerce for small business excellence. Therefore, his second goal was: 2. To communicate club vitality and Kiwanis accomplishments to the community at large through an ongoing public relations program.

Taking Responsibility

Goal number three grew out of his interest in youth. Norm Spearheaded a two division major Emphasis project for Children's Hospital in Mpls. His company was recognized in 1976 for outstanding cooperation in the employment of handicapped by Opportunity Workshop Inc. Hence, Goal 3.—To support and build our District K Family, Circle K, Key Club and builders Clubs through direct member involvement.

Kahn raises money for outreach

Norm's fourth goal raised funds for Kiwanis—4. To provide financial support to the International Foundation, District Educational Foundation and the District Outreach Program. Under his emphasis the District gave the fifth highest amount to Youth Outreach in its history—Clubs raised $4,780 to help youth leaders attend training sessions and conventions.

Under Virgil Carmichael's leadership the District gave over $15,000 to International Foundation. Norm's division was 100% in contributions to International Birthday Fund. His club gave $16.41 per member—The eighth best record in the world.

Kahn's fifth goal served children: 5. To address the needs of young children through "Young Children: Priority One" projects. Clubs sponsored "Shots for Tots," "Reading Is Fundamental," a Safety "Bug," built a ramp for young handicapped, helped a child who had no arms, and repaired bicycles.
**Clubs take responsibility for young children**

**Kiwanians build handicap ramp**

Susan and Marc Schaub stand behind daughter Ashley on their new ramp—built by Kiwanians Bill Bjerke, Neal Petersen, Norm Lindell, Merlin Stele, Kenny Bruhn and the seated Chet Beving.

Albert Lea Golden K #2 built a ramp for nine year old Ashley Schaub to give her independence to move in and out of her home. Materials cost $237.50 and members gave 60 service hours to complete the project.

The club earned a "Young Children Priority One" banner patch. They contributed to Parents Anonymous, Day care Center and to the Salvation Army Kids Camp.

**Brookings provides safety bug**

Brookings Golden K Kiwanis Club provided a "safety Bug" for the Brookings Police Department. The "DARE" Drug program will use the "Bug" in a K-4 safety program. The restored vehicle, equipped with an electronic package, speaks to the children, answers questions, and gives safety and drug awareness messages.

**Rochester repairs, donates bikes**

Day Maker Dave Alexander, Golden K Chairman Fred Pexton, Golden K member Bob Swanton, Day maker Gene Skjelvand display wheels; Golden K member Robert Wiesner peeks through from behind.

Rochester Golden K Club and Golden K Daymakers repaired and donated 106 bicycles to Christmas Anonymous. This is the 10th year for the program.

Seven Kiwanians donated two afternoons a week from May to December to repair bicycles. The public donated the bicycles and Golden K member Mal Malcomson stored and delivered them to Christmas Anonymous.

**Gitchee Gumee reads to children**

Gitchee Gumee Golden K Kiwanian Don Whitby reads book # 5,000 to Head Start children in Duluth. Division 10 Clubs have supported the Reading Is Fundamental program since it started three years ago.
Cloquet renovates historic fairgrounds log cabin

Cloquet Area Golden K Kiwanis Club completed the renovation of the historic log cabin on the Carlton County Fairgrounds in Barnum. Work was done in two phases by 13 members. Workers ages ranged from 53 to 82 & Averaged 73.

In phase I members replaced 14 rotten logs in the walls, plus replacing the Swedish-style siding with 10' boards and battting strips. In Phase II they added an 8’ by 24’ porch which gave the unit additional work and display area.

St. Cloud restores old cemetery

President David Huber and Kiwanian Bob Bellamy unveil the new Stanger Cemetery sign.

St. Cloud Sunrisers Club completed a three year project of restoring the abandoned Stanger Cemetery. Restoring the abandoned cemetery on the Sauk River was a three year project. Russ Mattson spearheaded the project. The club installed a fence and gave honor to a Civil War Veteran’s grave.

Kiwanians take financial responsibilities

Club supplies magnet reminders

Nurse Sheila Pelzer, holds check from Chairman Roger Deterding, and member Mary Pfohl

Kiwanis Cub of Little Falls, MN gave a one year supply of 300 immunization magnets to the Obstetrics Department of St. Gabriel’s Hospital for parents of newborns. The magnet reminds parents of vaccination due dates for their child. Parents can record the dates of each vaccination and have a permanent immunization record for their child.

Rochester Clubs donate $21,097

Golden K member and Hockey Committee Treasurer Covey Windsor, Bank President Lance Davenport, City Parks worker Steve Browning, Sunrisers Past President Tim Lawler present $20,000 check for Silver Lake Playground.

All five Rochester Kiwanis Clubs hosted the second annual Norwest Bank’s Hockey Festival. Eight varsity and 8 Jr. varsity teams participated.

From the proceeds the clubs donated $1,097 to the Rochester Youth Hockey Association and $20,000 to the Silver Lake Community Playground fund. Construction on the totally handicap accessible playground should start the summer of 1996. Last year clubs donated $16,500 from the Hockey Festival.
Leaders take new responsibilities, projects

Int. appoints Shaffer Secretary

Kiwanis International Board appointed A. G. Terry Shaffer as the new Kiwanis International Secretary. Shaffer, a 25 year member of the International Office staff, has held a variety of responsibilities, which included Manager of Club Services, Director of Club Program Development, Circle K International Administrator, Assistant Secretary for program services, and assistant to the International Secretary.

Terry taught English, and American history at Danville High School in Pennsylvania before joining Kiwanis International staff in 1969. Australian Ian Perdriau, the first International President outside the North American continent, said, "I am pleased that we can combine both professional qualifications and a genuine love of Kiwanis in the same individual."

E. Chuck Schroder to head IDD

E. Charles Schroder will head IDD, the Iodine Deficiency Program, for the next five years. State Chairmen, Dr. Don Mattson of Minnesota, Larry Rittgarn from ND and Reed Hittle of SD have made commitments for three years. The District officers will also serve on the committee.

Lt. Governors will select the Division chairmen. And clubs will select their own chair person. The committee set a goal of 32¢ per day per member for three years. That would raise over three million dollars. They selected 32¢ because it is the price of a postage stamp and the cost of an individual package of salt which is enough to prevent one person from acquiring an iodine deficiency disorder.

Virg Carmichael takes two major responsibilities

Virg Carmichael held two important Kiwanis offices during the 1994-1995 year—Minn.-Daks. District Chair for the Int. Foundation and President of Kiwanis Golden Buffalo, Past Lt. Governors.

Carmichael introduced saddlebags to the Lt. Governors and requested that Inter-Club persons carry the bags from one club to the other until they have covered the Division. Clubs were asked to place their Club's International Birthday money in the bag before they pass it on to the next Club. Seven Divisions gave $2.00 or more per person during 1994-1995.

Kiwanis Golden Buffalo President Carmichael appointed officers for all Past Lt. Governor tasks. And he assigned Division Representatives to each Division. Representatives helped find new Lt. Governors, plan for Convention needs and arrange for the Virg and Boots Christensen Kiwanis Auction.

The Auction netted $1,410 of which Minn. Educational Foundation received $1,100. $100 was given in memory of past Kiwanians. The auction provided a way for Kiwanians to display their talents, to give to Kiwanis and to allow others to enjoy the products.
Kiwanis sponsors service clubs for youth

Kiwanis sponsors three groups under what is known as "Sponsored Youth." Local Clubs sponsor Youth Clubs by helping to pay for expenses to send officers to Conventions and training sessions. Kiwanians sponsored Key Club first, then Circle K and finally Builders Clubs.

Builders Clubs develop leaders

A Builder's Club, a coeducational service organization, provides young people in Junior High School and Middle School between the ages of 12 and 15 the opportunity to help others, serve their school and community, and build a positive future for themselves.

These young students develop and carry out service projects for their school and community. They also participate in fund-raising projects and use the money earned to support a local charity or school concern. Builders Clubs exist in the United States, Canada, Bahamas and Jamaica.

The objects of Builders Clubs are:
1. To provide opportunities for working together in and service to school and community.
2. To develop leadership potential.
3. To foster the development of strong moral character.
4. To encourage loyalty to school, community and nation.

The first Builders Club in Kiwanis International was built in 1975. Coles Junior High School and the local Kiwanis Club of Coles, Kentucky organized the Club on October 1, 1975. Minnesota-Dakotas District started the first Builders Club at the South Dakota School for the Deaf on September 9, 1976. The Club no longer exists. Deadwood Middle School has the oldest active Minnesota-Dakotas District Builders Club, chartered in 1986.

California introduces Key Clubs

Frank C. Vincent, a Kiwanian and vocational education teacher, and Albert Clyde Olney, California State Commissioner of Schools, felt that they could get "Key" high school boys to inspire other high school boys in their vocations.

Kiwanis, The International magazine, introduced the Key Club concept in the February 1925 issue. The Sacramento Kiwanis Club introduced the Key Club as a new type of service. The idea proved its worth because other California Kiwanis Clubs adopted the idea.

Many Kiwanians did not welcome Key Club at first. Initial progress came mainly from the school administrators, whether Kiwanians or not. One central concept developed early: Key Club was not a Junior Kiwanis Club and was not to be a training or recruiting ground for future Kiwanians.

Florida forms Club association

Eight Key clubs served Florida Schools in April of 1939. Representatives from those Clubs, along with interested Kiwanis leaders, met at Fort Lauderdale, Florida for the first Key Club Convention. This group formed The Florida Association of Key Clubs.

The Florida Association invited Clubs from Alabama, Louisiana and South Carolina to join the International Association of Key Clubs in 1943. The group then became Key Club International.

Key Clubs develop war projects

Key Clubs entered into the war effort by planting Victory gardens, equipping air raid shelters, collecting paper, scrap metal, etc.

Some original Key Club members served in the military. Alexander "Sandy" Nininger, Jr., who joined the Fort Lauderdale Club as a charter member in 1936, came to a tragic end in the Battle
Kiwanis sponsors service clubs for youth

of Bataan. Nininger was awarded the first Congressional medal of Honor in World War II.

To honor Sandy Nininger's exemplification of Key Club ideals, Key Club established the Sandy Nininger medal which is awarded to individuals for "service beyond the call of duty to Key Clubbing."

Kiwanis establishes Key Club Department, *Keynote Magazine*

Kiwanis International established a Key Club Department in the General Office in 1946. The first issue of *Keynote Magazine* was mailed on May 1, 1946. Key Clubbers met in New Orleans for their 1946 Convention and agreed to a constitution and bylaws that established direct relationship between Key Clubs and Kiwanis International and its Districts.

Key Club spread to Canada in 1946 with the formation of a club at Riverside Continuation School of Riverside, Ontario. Kiwanis Club of Windsor, Canada sponsored the Club. The organization then became truly International.

Sex discrimination became a big topic in the 1970's, and in 1977 the constitution and bylaws of Key Club International were changed to allow any student, regardless of sex and meeting local school and Kiwanis requirements — admission to membership in a Key Club. Since that year the female membership has grown to about 50 per cent of the total.

Redfield, SD organized the first Key Club in the Minnesota-Dakotas District on May 8, 1944. Since then the District has averaged from 48 to 55 clubs each year.

**Key Club Objectives:**

To **develop** initiative and leadership

To **provide** experience in living and working together.

To **serve** the school and community.

To **cooperate** with the school principal.

To **prepare** for useful citizenship.

To **accept and promote** the following ideals:

To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.

To **encourage** the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships

To **promote** the adoption and application of higher standards of scholarship, sportsmanship and social contacts.

To **develop** by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship.

To **provide** a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render unselfish service and to build better communities.

To **cooperate** in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

**Past Key Club District Governors**

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Circle K Clubs develop youth for service

Circle K begins as a fraternity

Jay N. Emerson, a member of the Pullman, Washington Kiwanis Club, initiated the Circle K idea. Emerson proposed to his club in 1936 that the Club purchase a house which would be rented to young men in need of assistance to attend the local college. The Kiwanians established the "Circle K House" at Washington State College as a fraternity, and the plan became a reality.

Fraternity becomes service club

Donald T. Forsythe, president of Kiwanis International, aided the transition of Circle K from a fraternity to a service orientated organization in 1947. That year, during September, the first Circle K Club, similar to our present day organization, was chartered at Carthage College in Carthage, Illinois.

Huron initiates Circle K in Minn.-Daks. District

The first Circle K Club in the Minnesota-Dakotas District began at Huron College on February 11, 1956. Five years later representatives from five official Circle K Clubs gathered on February 11 and 12, 1961 at the Huron College Campus to determine the future of Circle K in the three state area.

Delegates agreed to petition Kiwanis International Office to charter the Minnesota-Dakotas District of Circle K International. Then delegates elected Merle Freitag of South Dakota State University as the first president.

1963 District Circle K Governor Richard Enstad

Why does the IRS call the tax form 1040? Because, "for every fifty dollars you earn, You get ten and they get forty." J. Leno

Trustees set up Circle K districts

The Kiwanis Board of Trustees approved a proposal to establish Circle K Districts on Feb. 22, 1957. The first district established was the Texas-Oklahoma District. Today, Circle K International has thirty districts.

Int. Pres. Susan E. McClernon

First female president from MN

Susan E. McClernon of the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth Minnesota won the election as President of Circle K International for 1984. Susan was the first female president of Circle K International. She won honors as an Outstanding Young Woman of America; made the National Dean's List, and received the Labovitz Leadership Award.

Father, son govern at same time

The first annual Minnesota-Dakotas District Circle K convention at Bismarck Junior College elected Richard "Dick" Enstad of Fergus Falls, MN as Governor in 1962. Eighty delegates attended for the election of officers and other District matters.

Dick's father, Merald T. Enstad, became Governor of the Minnesota-Dakotas District on Jan. 1, 1963. Since the Circle K year coincides with the school year, both father and son were Kiwanis Governors of their respective groups at the same time. This is the first and only time that this has happened, and perhaps it never will happen again.

Kiwanis Educates Youth

That's what "Key" Club stands for.
Minn-Daks. Past Lt. Governors serve Kiwanis

Kiwanis Past Lieutenant Governors organized in 1980 at the request of Gov. "Bill" Hopkins. Ren Fetzer served as Chairman and E. Charles Schroder served as Secretary-Treasurer. They dubbed the new Association "The Golden Buffalos." Governor Hopkins said they chose the buffalo because of its power & spirit. Prairie Buffalo demonstrate courage, commitment and cooperation. The 1980-81 team of Kiwanis leaders portrayed these attributes.

Hopkins sat on a committee with Past Lt. Governor President-elect Tom Kantos and Secretary-Treasurer Earl R. Trude in 1993 to finalize updated Bylaws. Tom Kantos worked diligently with Past Governors and District leaders to work out satisfactory language.

The District Board of The Minnesota Dakotas District of Kiwanis International approved the Bylaws under Governor "Bob"'s leadership. Secretary Tom Horan and Governor Cox signed the Bylaws together with Past Lt. Governor President Andrew Larson and Past Lt. Gov. Secretary-Treasurer Earl R. Trude.

Articles I and II state the name and purpose of the organization: Article I - Name

Section 1. This organization shall be known as Kiwanis Golden Buffalo (Past Lt. Governors, Minnesota-Dakotas District)

The original name had nine words. The length made writing checks difficult. Members began to use the nickname more than the long name. Members also had trouble spelling the word "buffalo"—notice the banner presented in 1986.


Past Lt. Governors agreed in 1993 and again in 1995 at their District Annual Meeting to use "Kiwanis Golden Buffalo" for their name as it is written in their Bylaws. The shorter name avoids spelling errors, facilitates banking and is in accord with Kiwanis International policies. Members also agreed in 1995 to not change the Bylaws.

Article II - Purposes

Section 1. The general purposes of this organization shall be:

To utilize the training, skills, and dedication of Past Lieutenant Governors of the Minnesota-Dakotas District of Kiwanis International to serve Kiwanis at all levels.

The last paragraph is the mission statement of the Kiwanis Golden Buffalo.

Kiwanis Golden Buffalo encourage leaders to serve as a Lieutenant Governor and sponsor a District Citizenship Award given to the person or persons who risked their life/lives to save the life of another. Golden Buffalo also sponsor a fundraiser such as an auction at the District Convention to raise money for the District Educational Foundation.

Let us not forget those who gave their time, talents and skills to initiate and build Kiwanis Golden Buffalo — an organization of past Lt. governors of the Minnesota-Dakotas District of Kiwanis International.
Early Chairs of the Past Lieutenant Governors

Chair Ren Fetzer, 1980-’81, Sioux Falls, SD

Chair Richard Froiland 1981-’82, Hendricks, MN

Chair Tom P. Horan, 1982-’83, Willmar, MN

Chair Robert Fleischman 1983-’84, Duluth, MN

Chair Curt Danielson, 1984-’85, Moorhead, MN

Chair Rev. Fr. Raymond Aydt, 1985-’86, Williston, ND

Chair Keith Kurrasch, 1986-’87, Grand Rapids, MN

Chair Don Modereger, 1987-’88, Yankton, SD

Chair J. B. Pat Shawhan, 1988-’89, Grand Forks, ND