

What's new in the NE-IA Kiwanis District? Look below for some awesome service projects in our district. This newsletter is being sent to all NE-IA Kiwanians.



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## NEBRASKA-IOWA DISTRICT

October 2016

### Quarterly Update: Making a difference in our communities!



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Dr. Earl Lampshire, Lincoln Center Kiwanis Club member, was honored for 70 years of service in Kiwanis. Keith Prettyman, club president remarked, "Seventy-years of membership in an organization is a remarkable achievement. It is almost unprecedented." Lampshire's daughter Dr. Linda Lampshire accompanied her father to receive the recognition. Linda remarked, "We are very proud to be a Kiwanis family, I am a member of the Columbus, Nebraska Kiwanis Club, have served as club president and have also served as a Kiwanis Lt. Governor. My Dad led the way." Dr. Earl Lampshire had a distinguished career as a dentist.

## Key Leader is Nov 11-14



Our event is at Sunstream Retreat Center - a fantastic facility near Ogden, IA. Time is short, Key Leader is November 11-13. Registrations need to be in by 10/31 so we can get them final counts. FREE motorcoach

transportation is being provided from Omaha and Lincoln!

[Application Link](#) [Key Leader Website Link](#) for more information [Jozef Schmidtke email](#)

## International Convention 2017

Registration for the 2017 convention in Paris will open the first week of January. Early bird registration will be \$300 and then jumps to \$400 after April 15th.

This year will be a joint convention with the European Federation.

Please join us in Paris for an awesome convention with KI President Jane Erickson!

[More information here.](#)



## Algona AKtion Club Olympics

"Let the Games Begin" was the shout out of our Kiwanis District Governor Jody

Melcher. With those words the 75 AKtion Club members from Algona, Humbolt, and Storm Lake began participating in the Third Annual Algona AKtion Kiwanis Olympics. An additional 35 agency advisors, AKtion Club advisors, and helpers from the Algon Morwens and Algona Noon Kiwanis clubs helped run the games and keep scores. Participants



chose from 16 different games to participate in - these included free throws, timed laps around the track, pool, ping pong, bean bag toss, volley ball, checkers, etc. It was suggested members participate in at least ten of the games. Also, a real headliner was Algona AKtion Club member Lisa McNertney singing the National Anthem to start the events at the spacious Algona Family YMCA. Members spent about one hour participating in the games before heading to lunch of pizza, pop, and a desert. It is always great to see AKtion Club members making new friends and enjoying sharing their stories of the day. For further information contact [Floyd Hutzell](#).



## AKtion Club TLC

AKtion Club Training and Leadership Conference -South Sioux City, Nebraska! - at [Goodwill Camp](#).

For more information on AKtion Club

follow this [link](#) to their website.

## Oktoberfest 2016

The North Omaha Kiwanis Club again brought a taste of Germany to Omaha recently, with North Omaha's Second Annual Oktoberfest at the Goodwill Training Center, 4805 North 72<sup>nd</sup> in Omaha.



The Kiwanis Oktoberfest funds various club projects, including support of North High School's Vikings of Distinction, The Omaha Home for Boys, Florence Farmers Market, Boys and Girls Club, The Dictionary Project and Camp OK, to name a few. World Champion boxer Terence Crawford joined the crowd briefly and signed boxing gloves donated to the Silent Auction.

In addition to the signed gloves, the Silent Auction included about 25 treasures, including a custom made walnut bowl collection, a horticulture basket and a vintage 1995 Championship Husker Jacket (size XXL) in mint condition. The club raised about \$2,200 in the two years this event has been held.

Besides good food, music, and fellowship, guests enjoyed Boys and Girls Club

Unit Director Paco Fuentes interesting insights into his work at the South Omaha Club and a walking tour of the Training Center. One local TV station covered the event for its evening newscast.

With the success of the first two Oktoberfests, planning is already underway for next year's event.



## Polk City Kiwanis sends 2 to Camp OK

Ian Sharp and Hailey Hines, 11 yrs, attended the 2016 Kiwanis Camp OK with 120 kids from Iowa and Nebraska in June at the YMCA Camp in Boone. Even though both of them had to forfeit their cell phones and iPods' and had only 5 minute daily showers for the week, they felt the loss was outweighed by learning independence, responsibility, how to get along with others, and how to make the right decisions. They learned through their experiences with nature, water activities, leadership skills, science, and opportunities to share talents in different subjects.

At the closing ceremonies, Hailey received an Award for being the "Sunshine" from Sunnyside Cabin and Ian' received "Having The Heaviest Pack" Award after his Counselor had to help him carry his pack when he arrived. Ian's advice to future campers is to pack only clothes and a sheet while Hailey's advice is to try every activity the Camp has to offer and she looks forward to communicating on her cell phone with all her new friends.

After parents and grandparents arrived Saturday at the end of the camp and all the goodbyes were said and all their packs were stowed in their vehicles, Hailey and Ian both fell asleep on the ride home. Kiwanis hopes this experience fosters a desire to explore the world of experiences Kiwanis offers to the children of our Community through North Polk Key Club in High School

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## Partnership Coordinator Named

**Mark Hall** of Norfolk Morning Kiwanis Club will help clubs throughout the NE-IA District to access the benefits that come with being a part of the Kiwanis International family. Some of the benefits include free materials, discounted supplies for service projects and direct access to

outside organizations. Mark has been appointed by the district leadership to serve a three-year term as Partnership Coordinator-a newly created position that will work closely with Kiwanis International staff and partners. Kiwanis International works to identify organizations and companies that can help the Kiwanis family maximize its service in local communities around the globe, as well as provide opportunities to enhance the member experience through member benefits. The Partnership Coordinator will work to make sure all clubs



are receiving important information about those relationships. Mark Hall can be reached at [neiapartnershipcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:neiapartnershipcoordinator@gmail.com) or 402-316-9664.



## Next Kiwanian Newsletter deadline

Our next issue of the Kiwanian will be out in late January. Articles are due by January 15. Just enough time to send me articles about how your club celebrated Kiwanis One Day, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas or any exciting event your club does. Please send me a write-up and a picture. Also the first 3 people to email me with the deadline date for the next Kiwanian will be put in a drawing for free admission to our Mid-Year Conference in Council Bluffs, IA. [I will go by the date and time on the emails. [Email - Barb O'Donnell](#) by clicking the underlined link.