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District Governor's Report

06/21/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Craig Wallace

The summer months are an important time for Kiwanis Clubs all over the Ohio District. There are many fundraisers and service projects which take place during the warm months of the year. Lee Ann and I were honored to serve as judges for the Miss Kirtland pageant at the Kiwanis Strawberry Festival. It was a unique and fun opportunity for us. The Kirtland Kiwanis Club mixed community fellowship and fundraising-lets call it **Friend Raising!** And similar events are taking place all over the Ohio District.

The Kiwanis International Convention in Vancouver will be held June 26-29. The Ohio District will hold a reception-at no charge-on Thursday, 5:30-7:00 pm in the host hotel-the Sheraton Wall Centre. The District Caucus will take place on Friday morning at 8:30 in the same location as the reception. The convention information is on the Kiwanis website at

www.kiwanisone.org so you can go there prior to the convention or to follow the convention from Ohio. There is a lot of great information available and is updated often. If you are traveling to the convention-**Safe Travels!**



The Ohio District Convention will be held in Lima on August 9-11. The planning committee under the direction of Bev Beery and Candy Newland has been very busy in preparation for what will be a great convention. Registration is now open and you can sign up online at www.ohiokiwani.org. Please make plans to attend the convention which will include a wide range of activities and many opportunities to **Fellowship**. There will also be a **Service** project to help a local service agency. And we will raise money for and celebrate **Healing** through the First Lady's Project. We hope to see you in Lima in August!

Historically clubs clean up their **membership rolls** in September in advance of the payment of dues in October. For several years, any membership gains during the year have been wiped out by the massive deletion of club members at the end of the Kiwanis year. **This year-let's do something different**-Purge your membership rolls NOW! While I do not like to lose any Kiwanis member, if you are going to drop a member from your club, it is better to do so **sooner rather than later**. If you clean up your membership roll now, your club can then hold a membership drive to replace those

people by the end of September. So review your list of members, decide what you need to do **by the end of July. Then in August and September-** hold a Membership Drive to add new members.

And don't forget the **FAMILY MEMBERSHIP** option-for each Kiwanian, a second or third person in the same household can join for half of the International and District dues. Your next new club member could be across the family room. **Just ask!**

**Have a great summer and remember to
REACH OUT IN FELLOWSHIP, IN SERVICE AND IN HEALING!**

Craig Wallace

District Secretary's Notes

06/18/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Dave Whiteman



As this issue of the Buckeye Bulletin is being completed, we are preparing for our 96th Annual District Convention. This year we will be meeting in the Veteran's Memorial Civic & Convention Center in Lima, Ohio. The convention committee is working very hard to make sure you have an enjoyable convention experience. Additional information can be found elsewhere in this newsletter, as well as on the District Convention page of our district website at www.ohiokiwanis.org. Online registration is also available at that site.

Report of Club Elections

The deadline for return of the Club Elections Report to Kiwanis International and the Ohio District was June 1st. Once again all clubs were encouraged to report their 2013-14 club officers online using KiwanisOne. As of June 18th, 112 of 245 clubs have filed their report online. This is significantly better than the 64 clubs who filed at this time in 2012. We are also aware that some clubs have filed hard copies with us and with the International Office in Indianapolis. If your club has not filed the report yet, please do so immediately. If you have the same officers remaining in place next year, please file the report and tell us that is the case. This information is critical as it is used to publish the International and District Directories. In addition, the information is used to build a database that will be used for future mailings to your club. Thanks for your prompt attention to this request.

CLE Makeup Session Planned

For those 2013-14 President's who were unable to attend Club Leadership Education (CLE) in their local areas, a makeup session is being planned for Friday afternoon, August 9th in Lima at the Veteran's Memorial Civic & Convention Center. The attendance at some of our local sessions was disappointing at best. We realize that many of our officers are repeating and they may feel that they do not need to attend the training. We can only tell you that the vast majority of those clubs receiving the "Distinguished Club Award" are the clubs who continually make sure their leaders attend the CLE Session prior to the start of the new Kiwanis Year. This makeup session will be held beginning at 1 PM on Friday afternoon. Please call the district office to reserve a spot at this session.

CLE for Club Secretaries

At this year's District Convention a new 1 hour module for Club Secretaries will be given

on Saturday morning. This session will take the place of attendance at the local CLE session and it will be tailored strictly to you. If you are a Club Secretary, I would encourage you to attend this very important training session.

Dave Whiteman
District Secretary

New Club Building Update

06/20/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Rich Ulmes

How many times have you been asked "What is Kiwanis?". Like most, probably more times than you can count. We then take a few minutes to explain what Kiwanis is and what kinds of things we do in our communities. Providing service to our communities is one of the biggest and most rewarding experiences of being a Kiwanian, and what better way to help your club then to recruit new members. But there is something even more rewarding, and that is helping to build a new club.

This year has been an exciting one for me. As a regional chair on the Ohio District New Club Building Committee I have had the privilege of working with members of the Westerville Kiwanis Club, Division 10E and 10S Lt. Governors and members of the New Albany community in working on building a new club in their town. They are an enthusiastic and dedicated group of individuals who meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month to plan the future of their club and the work they will be able to do for their community. Currently they are in the recruitment phase and are well on their way to meeting their goal of 15 new members by the end of July.



Building a new club is just another way for Kiwanians to share their experiences and help Ohio's communities. If you have a community near you that may have a need for a Kiwanis club, let your Division Lt. Governor or New Club Building team know. Let's all join together in making our communities a better place to live.

Richard Ulmes
New Club Building Team

Community Service: The Name of the Game

06/19/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Al Allender

We are a community service organization. That is who we are. That is what we do. That is our purpose. Governor Wallace has set a goal for each club in Ohio to do a community service project at least quarterly and a new community service project this year. Is your club meeting these goals? The year is now three quarters gone. Hopefully you have now completed at least three community service projects and there is still time for a new project.

We will soon be heading down the home stretch with no time left to procrastinate. Now is the time to plan and prepare for these end of the year activities. This gives an



opportunity to get more of your club members involved and active. Service projects interest prospects for membership. New members bring more ideas, energy, and manpower that allows your club to provide more service to your community.

If you need project ideas, ask your Mayor, City Council Members, School Administrators, Community Social Service Providers, and your own members and you will find that many ideas for service will come forward. There is no shortage of projects need by any community, just a shortage of “doers”.

If you need financial help to complete a project, apply for a grant from the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. Application deadline for the next grant cycle is June 30th. You can find more information and the grant application at odkf.org.

Community Service projects can help your club recruit new members, benefit your community, generate new ideas for your club and community, and benefit your club in many other ways. Don't miss out on these benefits.

Al Allender, Ohio District Chair Community Service and Kiwanis One Day

96th Annual Ohio District Convention

06/18/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Candace Newland

It's almost here! The exciting Kiwanis opportunity you've been waiting for is just around the corner! What better company for a weekend than fellow Kiwanians? Hundreds of dedicated men and women with a common goal: making the world better one child and one community at a time. Here's how you can make the most of the experience.



Bring a basket to be auctioned off in the Basket Room. Gov. Craig is asking every club in Ohio to bring a basket valued between \$50 and \$100. All proceeds from the auction will be applied to the First Lady's projects, Pediatric Trauma and Project Eliminate. Not only will your basket earn funds for these great services but it will add to the fun and excitement of the auction.

Another great area of service is the Convention service project—Heartbeat of Lima. Items needed included diapers, baby blankets, baby clothes and any other item needed by newborns and their mothers. Heartbeat of Lima is so pleased that we have selected them to be the recipient of our support.

Does your club need a motivational boost? Could you use some new fundraising ideas? Are you a new club officer that needs Club Leadership Education? What about an exciting new service project? Are you considering building a new club, an evening club or an Internet club? Do you have a project that could use funds from the Foundation? Have you experienced the rewards of a K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club or Aktion Club? There will be eighteen great workshop sessions designed to motivate, excite, and educate to make your club all it can be.

Of course, no weekend would be complete without the fun of fellowship. On Friday night, there will be a chicken BBQ complete with "Beach Boy" style live music. Round out the evening at the downtown "Rally in the Square" or with a quiet glass of wine at The Met or a great cappuccino at The Meeting Place. Or, maybe you like noise and dust. You'll find plenty at the Allentown Speedway. The Saturday luncheon promises a delightful menu and the Governor's Banquet will feature live music and great food.

This year's conference will have something for everyone. Even those family members who don't attend the conference will find several venues within a short jaunt of the convention center so make the weekend a family affair. August 9 - 11. It's coming soon so get your registration and hotel reservations in so you won't miss a single minute.

Bev Beery and Candace Newland
2013 District Convention Co-Chairs

First Lady's Project Update

06/21/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Lee Ann Wallace

Changing the world, one child and one community at a time. We are indeed! Through your donations to the First Lady's Project you are REACHING OUT to be the Hands of Healing for Kiwanis, here in Ohio and throughout the world. Your gifts help to provide specialized education and training for the caregivers on the front lines of our Ohio Children's Hospital Emergency Department Trauma programs. When their hands REACH OUT and care for those children experiencing pediatric trauma, know it is also your



hands that are there as well.

You are also making a difference for children in communities in the remotest parts of the world. Every nine minutes, an infant dies from neonatal tetanus. That short lifetime is marked by pain and torturous muscle spasms, robbing a mother of the chance to provide even the comfort of her touch. Most of these tragedies occur in countries that haven't yet eliminated maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT). In a few days, at Kiwanis International Convention, the Vancouver Olympic Cauldron, which reflects the fire on ice theme of the 2010 Winter Olympics, will be relit in honor of the more than 61 million women and babies Kiwanians will help save or protect through the Eliminate Project. It is a monumental effort to protect one of the most intimate bonds on Earth! Together we can keep these families whole. Through your donation to the First Lady's

project, your gift will help provide immunizations that will protect these families for only \$1.80. You are also REACHING OUT to far away lands to be the hands of healing for millions of mothers and babies!

As we prepare for Vancouver, consider a gift to the First Lady's Project, and be a part of healing our world, one child and one community at a time.

First Lady Lee Ann Wallace

News from the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation

06/17/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Faith Levine

Even as we are approaching the end of our Kiwanis year, your Ohio District Foundation is still busy assisting your club with "Changing our world - one child and one community at a time." Your board approved over \$15,000 in grants during the May Board meeting. It was exciting and fulfilling to provide grants for pediatric transport devices, layettes for premature infants, bullying reduction program, safety town, and a summer literacy program for at-risk inner city children. Through all of these programs Kiwanians are making a difference in their communities. AND we have one more grant opportunity for your clubs. Please submit your grant applications by June 30.



Please plan to attend the Foundation Annual Meeting on August 10 during the Ohio Kiwanis District Convention. This year there will be a contested election for Board Members. Your vote will be important in this election. See you in Lima.

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION AND YOU

06/16/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Len Abrams



In the latest issue of "Kiwani" magazine is the financial report for your Kiwanis Foundation. It was a good year thanks to you and your support. As a result the Foundation was able to continue making grants in

February 2013.

Some of these were to our Circle K, Aktion Club and Key Leaders. Once again this illustrates that many of your gifts remain right here in America and serve to support our Kiwanis objectives. This, of course, goes without mentioning the scholarship programs available to all the Districts based upon the average amount of support per member. Sadly, to date, Ohio has averaged only .87 per member this year and last year we only earned 1 scholarship. We can do better, it just takes participating!

Your Foundation reaches far beyond just our country. The Indian District Kiwanis Club, Michigan District, for instance, received a grant in support of their Dream Project. This project supports a family-style orphanage for abandoned and impoverished children of Mozambique.

So it is up to you and me to provide the support for our Foundation to continue it's grants program. If you and your club have not yet contributed to The Annual Gift Campaign, now is the time. Whether it is \$1 or \$6 per member, the point is to get on board and help. It's about participation and if each club will help at some level we can be successful. Thanks for your past support and please contact me at lhachfc@yahoo.com or 330-465-4690 if I can answer your questions or help you in any way.

Perrysburg Newest Model club: Preparing for district convention

06/13/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Cindy Champer, Dist. Coor.

As we head into the convention season (International convention in a couple of weeks)

and district convention less than two months away, congratulations are in order for the Perrysburg club who is our newest Model club. Thanks for saving approximately 8,000 lives! At International convention this year, clubs who have pledged to become Model clubs will be recognized by special badge covers notating this distinction.



THINKING FATHERS DAY should also be part of the Eliminate picture. While saving the lives of women and children is great, it is made more important by the fact that if the mother and child are saved, SO IS THE FAMILY UNIT! How many families do you want to save this year by the simple donation of \$1.80? Just count the number of lives you want to save, multiply by \$1.80 and result is a donation to the Kiwanis International Foundation, memo line Eliminate project. This would be a much better gift for any father than the normal socks or tie; and this idea works well for birthdays, anniversaries and other special events at which selecting gifts are an issue. Give the gift that keeps on giving - SAVING THE LIFE OF A MOTHER AND HER CHILDREN.

CARING AT DISTRICT CONVENTION will be achieved at the "Gently used" table which is attached to the Eliminate booth at District convention. Each club who brings "gently used" Kiwanis logo items will be asked to sign in, and those who bring the most will receive the pot of money made from sale of these items. All this is FREE MONEY for your Eliminate club efforts, so start collecting now and saving lives!

Ohio District Newsletter Contest Update

06/19/2013 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Faith Levine



Your club newsletter is a fantastic marketing/communication tool for both your internal and external customers. I believe that my newsletter judging criteria can make your good newsletter into a great newsletter.

The criteria that I will be using is as follows:

1. Does your newsletter have a "membership" section?
2. Are your past and future programs and projects being publicized?
3. Do your readers know about the KI, Ohio District and your club's missions and goals?
4. Are a variety of club members involved with newsletter articles?
5. Do you have pictures?
6. How often do you publish your newsletter?
7. Is your newsletter inter-connected with other club

mass/social media efforts.

Newsletters published through September 30 are eligible for this year's District newsletter contest. If you are interested in submitting your newsletter, please include me on your recipient list using the following email address:

faith.kiwanis@gmail.com

Faith Levine
2012-13 District Chair
Marketing & Public Relations

Club News

Licking County Clubs Race for EliMiNaTe!

06/17/2013 - Club: Newark - Submitted by: Greg Halbe

The Granville, Heath Moundbuilders, and Newark clubs came together on Memorial Day to host the 1st annual Licking County Kiwanis 5K Run/Walk, with proceeds donated to the EliMiNaTe Project. A cool morning with a light drizzle made for a comfortable run, and the Kiwanis spirit of over 40 volunteers from all three clubs (as well as members of Newark HS's soon-to-be-chartered Key Club) burned brightly despite the rain.



The 75 registered finishers (seven of whom were Kiwanians) were deemed a solid beginning to a promising event. The chance to join forces with our neighboring clubs was a welcome benefit as well, on which we hope to build in future events. Most important for all concerned was our contribution to the global fight to end Maternal and Neo-Natal Tetanus. Over \$2000 was raised, and publicity for the event raised public awareness. A great deal of that publicity came thanks to Key Club members from Newark Catholic, Granville and Watkins Memorial High School.

Jennifer Lewis, Granville Club President, summed it up best in her thank-you message to volunteers, sponsors, and participants: "Memorial Day is a day of honor and reflection. This 5K community event is a fundraiser to help others and save lives. Funds raised will help eliminate neonatal/maternal tetanus and save the lives of mothers and babies around the world! We honor you today for your contribution!"

Pictured: Heath Moundbuilders Past President Gary Wimer gets the race started with a bang, as overall winner Patrick Williams and runner-up Max Sutton (Newark Club) lead the way. Photo by Eric Bush, Div. 10E Past Lt. Gov.

Camp Manatoc Kiwanis Workday

06/12/2013 - Club: Bath-Richfield - Submitted by: Mike Marks



June 1 marked the 40th anniversary of Kiwanis clubs in Northeast Ohio adopting cabins and other work sites at Boy Scout Camp Manatoc in Peninsula, Ohio.

The event was founded by members of the Magic City and West Akron Clubs in 1974, and the workday has been historically set on the first Saturday in June.

Teams from over twenty Kiwanis clubs from several divisions bring tools to prepare their adopted areas both inside and out for the summer scouting season.

The camp is open twelve months a year, and Kiwanis provides invaluable service every year keeping the campground in shape.

Pictured are the Bath Richfield Kiwanis and Summit County Aktion Club volunteers after cleaning and landscaping the camp's Health Lodge.

For more info—

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24th Annual Rollin' on the River Charity Car Show 7-28-13

06/12/2013 - Club: Riverview-Delhi Hills, Cincinnati - Submitted by: Mark Forrester

Rollin' on the River Charity Car Show

Combine the scenic Fernbank Park overlooking the Ohio River, several hundred classic cars, and a Kiwanis Club committed to serving and you have all the ingredients for a successful fundraiser. For the past 23 years the Riverview Delhi Hills Kiwanians, their families and friends have gathered each 4th Sunday in July to present The Rollin' on the River Charity Car Show.



Rollin' on the River began as a vision to create a large swap meet in conjunction with a small classic car show. The vision would raise funds from the swap meet by selling booth space to those wishing to sell classic car related items. Additional funds would be made by charging a small fee to enter a classic car into the show. What blossomed from this initial seed instead turned out to be one of the largest classic car shows in Southwestern Ohio.

Our Kiwanis club is blessed with a very loyal sponsorship base and a large group of dedicated classic car enthusiasts willing to share vehicles with the public. With 45 club members, our club depends heavily on volunteers to make this day a success. From family and friends to local boy scouts and supporting community groups, over 100 people come together over an entire weekend to set up, present and tear down this event. 6 major sponsors and over 60 supporting sponsors generously donate funds to advertise through our website and on our printed material announcing the show. Local businesses, schools and churches announce our show on their marquees. These organizations also donate quality goody bag items and door prizes for the benefit of the car show participants. Weather permitting, classic cars on display will number between 300 to 500 vehicles. Between 5,000 to 7,000 spectators filter through Fernbank Park to view these classics from days long past. With additional funds raised from split the pot tickets, and concession sales; our club has been able to raise close to \$400,000 for our local communities over the past 23 years.

Our club has worked hard over the years to refine this event to provide a winning relationship for all parties involved. We work hard to maximize the exposure of our sponsors before and during our event and sincerely thank them for their support. We strive to provide the car owner's showing off their pride and joy a goody bag containing a value equal to the fees paid to enter the show. With no admission fee for the general

public and very affordable concession prices, we endeavor to make this a family friendly event.

The 24th annual Rollin' on the River 2013 Classic Car Show is July 28th at the beautiful Fernbank Park. For show information and directions please visit RollinontheRiverCarShow.com or DelhiKiwanis.com.

Scholastic Achievement Banquet Honors Students

05/31/2013 - Club: Warren - Submitted by: Jan Vaughn



The Kiwanis Club of Warren held its 39th annual Erwin J. Klein Memorial Scholastic Achievement Awards Banquet on May 21st, honoring 20 students from three area high schools.

This yearly event recognizes seniors who have achieved academically at Warren G. Harding High School; John F. Kennedy Catholic School Upper Campus; and Lordstown High School. The Warren Kiwanis Club sponsors a Key Club in each of the schools.

Students received a complimentary meal and \$250 in scholarship money. Keynote speaker was Madonna Chism Pinkard, Director of Community Relations for WFMJ/WBCB Television, Inc. in Youngstown.

Erwin J. Klein, for whom the banquet was named, was a member of the Warren Kiwanis Club for 27 years. He served both as club president and secretary. He was

also associated with Warren City Schools for 31 years as a teacher, assistant principal and principal.

Klein organized the Scholastic Achievement Banquet in order to recognize academic excellence among high school seniors. He chaired the event for 22 years. Following his death in 1993, the event was re-named in his honor.

Photo cutline: (l-r) Division 25 Lt. Gov. Terry Swauger gives remarks at the Warren Kiwanis Club's Scholastic Banquet. Keynote speaker Madonna Chism Pinkard talked on "The Five Rules of a Good Thinker".

Soroptimist Club of Columbus Supports the Eliminate Project

05/30/2013 - Club: Northwest Columbus - Submitted by: Craig Smith

At its' May 28th meeting, the Kiwanis Club of Northwest Columbus received visitors from the Soroptimist Club of Columbus & Franklin County. The visit was more than social: Kristi Urig and Laura Rosenthal presented the Northwest Kiwanis with a check for over \$350 in support of the Eliminate Project. The gift was made possible through a combination of funds from the club and donations from individual Soroptimist Club members and will help vaccinate almost 200 women against tetanus. Northwest Kiwanis Club President Lee Spitzer accepted the gift on behalf of the Club and the Eliminate Project, expressing the gratitude of the Club and its members for the Soroptimists' generous support.



In presenting the check, Kristi - a member of both Clubs and the advisor for the Grandview Heights High School Key Club - said that the Eliminate Project fits into the goals of Soroptimist International. These goals include creating safe and healthy environments and increasing access to education for women and girls worldwide. Laura, the Soroptimist Club's Treasurer, explained that Soroptimist International's mission is to inspire action and create opportunities to transform the lives of women and girls through a global network of members and international partnerships.

After hearing a presentation about The Eliminate Project by Craig Smith, Project Coordinator for Division 10W, members of the local Soroptimist Club made a commitment to support Kiwanis efforts to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. Craig noted that his audience that evening was very welcoming, asking many great questions about our effort, and greatly appreciates the opportunity to address the members of another great service organization.

Soroptimist International was founded in 1921 to seek equality, peace, and international goodwill for women; the name Soroptimist means "best for women".

Pictured are President Lee Spitzer (Northwest Kiwanis), Kristi Urig (a member of both Clubs), Treasurer Laura Rosenthal (Soroptimist Club) and Eliminate Project Coordinator Craig Smith (Northwest Kiwanis).