A. Alan Penn seeks election to office of International Vice President.

Former Governor Alan Penn will run for election at the 2009 Kiwanis International Convention in Nashville. The Convention which will be held in “Music City” will be June 25-28.

Encouraged and unanimously endorsed to run by the delegates assembled at the 2008 Ohio District Convention, Alan has been serving a three year term as Trustee. He has served as Counselor to the La-Miss-Tenn, Carolinas, Ecuador, Ohio and Iceland Districts. He served one year as Counselor to the International Circle K Board, and is currently serving as counselor to the Pacific Northwest and New England Districts.

As counselor, Alan assisted with the development of District Strategic Plans, Disaster Plans, Board Restructuring Plans, Leadership Development Programs, Good Board Governance Initiatives, and District and Club Foundation Practices. He is serving on the International Committee on Leadership Development and as a member of the Executive and Youth Committee. As a board member, he has been active in the development of the new Kiwanis Classic Membership options, the expansion of service Leadership and Key Leader Programs worldwide, the development of a new Club Leadership Education Program with an online component, the expansion of Kiwanis in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and the development of Kiwanis Next Programs.

Alan has more than 32 years of perfect attendance in Kiwanis, during which he has placed into practice his belief in the importance of Community Service, and has served at club, division, district and the International levels with distinction. His experience and demonstrated leadership skills have prepared him to serve our Kiwanis organization at a new level, that of Vice President. As an innovative leader within Kiwanis, Alan has been recognized for his commitment to excellence and his positive outlook on our organization’s future. He is committed to working to move our organization to a greater service mission where every child can develop to their fullest potential in a safe, sound, and healthful environment. Alan’s “Vision for Kiwanis” is that as we “Build our Legacy of Service” we will “Serve Children”, “Support Communities” and “Strengthen the World”. Alan is continuously seeking unique and creative ways to improve the lives of children throughout the world by developing our local club leaders.

Join the Ohio delegation as we visit “Music City, U.S.A.” Nashville Tennessee to meet the “best folks” in the world (Kiwanians), enjoy the “best music”, eat the “best food”, fellowship with Kiwanians from Ohio and around the globe and support A. Alan Penn’s candidacy for the office of International Vice President of Kiwanis International.

Additional Information may be found at Alan’s website, www.alpenn.com.
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1. Copy should be Singlespaced and be left justified. Do not indent paragraphs.
2. Use upper and lower case. Articles typed in all upper-case will not be published.
3. Do not type headlines in upper case.
4. Do not indent any part of the article and do not use “bullets, etc.
5. Submit only 35mm (or better) photos!
For best results please send articles as part of an Email text, and not as MS Word or Wordperfect file, etc.

Inclusion is subject to space availability, articles may be edited. Photos will not be returned, and become property of The Ohio District Kiwanis.

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District Secretary’s Notes

Dave Whiteman,
District Secretary
dave@ohiokiwanis.org

It is now March and nearly half of the 2008-09 administrative year is complete. Our next major event will be the Mid Year Education Day on April 25th followed by our International Convention in Nashville from June 25th through June 27th. We hope you will seriously consider attending both events.

Club Secretaries

1. Clubs should be sending us delegate forms for their representatives to the International Convention. These forms are sent to each registered Kiwanian. Please be sure that your delegates are certified. If you have questions about your representatives, please call us at the district office at (888) 827-8196, or at (614) 848-5000 if you live in the Columbus area.
2. The Report of Club Elections is due on June 1st. Clubs should report their new officers online using the KiwanisOne Online Reporting system. In excess of 80% of our clubs report using this system. Those not actively using the system will receive the report by E-mail or through the U. S. Postal Service.
3. Finally, think Membership Growth at all times. More hands mean more service to the children of our communities and the world.

Club Presidents

1. Your Annual Club Meeting should be scheduled in the next few weeks. Please work with your Club Secretary to guarantee that he/she completes the Report of Club Elections promptly. This report is due in the district office and in the Kiwanis International office by June 1st.
2. As stated to the Club Secretaries above, remember to think Membership Growth at all times. Nothing is more important to the continued survival of your local Kiwanis Club.

Club President Elects

1. Club Leadership Training is now being planned in divisions throughout the district. Please watch for the schedule to be sent to all new club officers in the next few weeks. This training is critical to planning a successful Kiwanis year in 2009-10. It is also one of the criteria listed in obtaining the “Distinguished” club award.
2. As mentioned above, you to should be thinking Membership Growth. It is never too early to plan for your year in office.

Ohio District Kiwanis Officers
Kip Crain, Governor
Donald Parker, Governor Elect
Jerry Duerk, Treasurer
Leroy Martin, Immediate Past Governor
Dave Whiteman, Secretary

Please remember that it is not too late to register for the Mid Year Education Day in Columbus next month. Registration is available online through our district website at www.ohiokiwanis.org. International Convention details are found elsewhere in this issue of the newsletter, as well as an order form for our “special” Bluegrass Concert at the historic Ryman Auditorium on Thursday, June 25th. We are limited to the first 200 tickets purchased and the deadline for purchase in May 18, 2009.
Governor
Kip Crain
kcrain@wcscc.org

OHIO KIWANIANS:

It is truly an honor and pleasure to serve you this year. Becky and I have been overwhelmed by your kindness, talents, time, and service given on behalf of others. Your commitment and dedication to your communities and the children of the world are an inspiration to others. Your hard work continues to touch thousands of lives, leaving a caring, giving Kiwanis legacy.

Kiwanis members have imagination, character, integrity, and have caring, genuine hearts. You, personally, have the ability to “make a difference” with “hands-on” service to others. You share your story with others, sometimes two or three at a time, and you invite them to join you on a service project. It is that personal connection that makes the difference and helps us find those who have a Kiwanis heart. For those with that heart, many new types of membership are available when they come on board and join the journey. Anyone that you do not ask to join will not become a Kiwanis member.

In over 90 years of Ohio service, Kiwanis has expanded from that first local businessmen’s networking club to over 250 clubs with men and women now providing thousands of hours each year for children and communities. I urge you to provide a legacy of service to another community by sponsoring a new Kiwanis club, like a former Kiwanian did by starting your club. This support and leadership is needed now more than ever.

Please plan to join us for the Education Day seminars. We will have seminars on leadership, service, growth (TAG), Service Leadership Programs, the Business-to-Business website, the Dues Increase, and many more. This year’s Education Day will be held in conjunction with the District Key Club Convention. Put April 25th at the Hyatt Regency in Columbus in your scheduler now. Join us for fun, fellowship, networking, and education.

First Lady Becky asks that you continue your support for Pediatric Trauma Treatment and Prevention. She thanks you for the donations you have already made to her project. Donations may be made to the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation with a note that it is for the First Lady’s Project. Another way to contribute is by honoring one of your members with a Past International Presidents Award through the Foundation. Go to www.odkf.org for more information. Please apply for grants for service projects. Applications and information are available at the Foundation website.

We urge you to continue to be involved, to make a difference, and to look for others with Kiwanis hearts and ask them to join you. We can increase our service to others by increasing our Kiwanis membership.

Read Around the World

Every child should experience the joy of reading. Kiwanis members believe this, and have long been dedicated to Kiwanis’ Read Around the World program. But reading projects deserve more than a monthlong observance. That’s why Kiwanis International now urges the entire Kiwanis family to implement Read Around the World projects throughout the entire year.

More reading projects touch more kids’ lives. What can you do? Read to children. Then give them books they can cherish again and again.

Sample book list:

- The Polar Express (ages 5 & up)
- Mufaro’s Beautiful Daughters (ages 5 - 8)
- Little Red Riding Hood (ages 5 - 8)
- Doctor DeSoto (ages 4 - 8)
- Anno’s Italy (Ages 4 to 8)
- The Stinky Cheese Man & Other Fairly Stupid Tales (ages 4 - 8)
- Jerusalem, Shining Still (ages 4 & up)
- The Stories Julian Tells (ages 4 - 8)
- Olivia (ages 3 - 7)
- The Three Little Pigs (ages 3 - 7)
- Tar Beach (ages 4 - 8)
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom (ages 3 - 6)
- Martha Speaks (ages 4-8)
- Rumplestilskin (ages 4 - 8)
- Not So Fast, Songolo (ages 4 - 8)
- Julius, the Baby of the World (ages 4 - 8)
- John Henry (ages 4 - 8)
- Where the Sidewalk Ends (ages 4 - 8)
- My Very First Mother Goose (ages infant - 4)
- The People Could Fly: American Black Folktales (ages 4 - 8)
- Captain Snap and the Children of Vinegar Lane (4 - 7)
- Beat the Story-Drum, Pum-Pum (ages 5 - 8)
- Dr. Seuss (various reading levels)
- Harry Potter Series (8 to teen)
- Goosebumps Series (10 to teen)
Growth Super-Stars
The following clubs have grown by 3 or more members since October. Congratulations to:

Tiffin.........................+ 8... President Bonnie Boroff
Chillicothe..................+ 7... President Robert Gallagher
Berea.........................+ 4 ...President Elaine Myers
Defiance ......................+ 4 ...President Laura Kline
Hudson ......................+ 4 ...President Robert Harvey
Logan ........................+ 4 ...President Charles Moore
Piqua ........................+ 4 ...President Ryan Ratermann
Riverview-Delhi Hills . + 4 .President Mike Edwards
Carey ........................+ 3 ...President Susan Imhoff
Cheviot-Westwood ........ + 3 ...President Dave Martini
Fairfield ....................+ 3 ...President Joan Williams
Gahanna .....................+ 3 ...President Rich Gandarillas
Independence ............. + 3 ...President Marilyn Gandarillas
Lakewood ....................+ 3 ...President Andrew Bischof
Mount Vernon .......... + 3 ... President Dennis Murray
West Geauga ........... + 3 ... President David Fowle

New Member Add Fee waived for Circle K’ers & Key Clubbers

At its January meeting, the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees amended Procedure 342.6 to waive the New Member Add Fee for former Circle K and Key Club members:

342.6 – New Member Fee

A new member fee of US $50 shall be charged for each new club member to defray the office administrative costs. The new member fee is waived for: charter members of new Kiwanis clubs; honorary members; members who, within a six month period, join another Kiwanis club, and former Circle K or Key Club members who join a Kiwanis club. A new member fee is owed by a club and not waived when a member who has been deleted is then added by the same club, except when annual dues have been paid for that member for the period in which the member rejoins.

NOTE: If a former SLP member joins a new Kiwanis club, they would still pay the “charter member fee”, then be relieved of International Dues for a two-year period.

Kiwanis Kids
Bob Williams, District Chair

What’s New with Kiwanis Kids

* First the name. Kiwanis Kids now represents three programs specifically tailored to elementary children. Terrific Kids is a student recognition program that promotes character development, self-esteem, and perseverance. Bring Up Grades BUG is a program designed to provide recognition to students who raise their grades into an acceptable range, and maintain or continue to raise them from one grading period to the next. K-Kids Clubs is a “student led” community service club for elementary-age students that teaches members the value of helping others through participation in community service projects and club activities.

* Kiwanis International President Don Canaday wrote in this month’s issue of the Kiwanis Magazine the positive impact the Kiwanis BUG “Bring Up Grades” program is having on children in schools. If your club is not already involved in this program take time to look at another way to serve the children of your community.

* ODK is now home to one of the largest K-Kids Clubs in Kiwanis International. Riverside Elementary School K-Kids Club (Cleveland Municipal Schools) with over 252 members is sponsored by the West Park Kiwanis Club. The K-Kids Club just raised over $600 for UNICEF. The school will soon start a Builder’s Club.

* We welcome three new K-Kids Clubs sponsored by the Mansfield Kiwanis Club, another new club at Fort Island Primary School sponsored by the Copley-Fairlawn Kiwanis Club and a new club at Fishcreek Elementary School sponsored by the Stow Munroe Falls Kiwanis Club. The Mansfield Kiwanis Club and the Stow Munroe Falls Kiwanis Clubs each sponsor the highest number of K-Kids Clubs in ODK, four or more.

* K-Kids Clubs is the fastest growing Service Leadership Group in ODK. Five Kiwanis Clubs are currently building new clubs in the district.

“Make a Difference Day Ohio is Saturday October 24, 2009”
One Community at a Time

The Kiwanis Club of Tiffin was pleased to receive an Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation Pediatric Trauma Grant for our Emergency Room project at the new Mercy Hospital in Tiffin. The club committed in 2007 to a four-year $40,000 to cover the children’s play center attached to the ER waiting room and two child-equipped, child-friendly ER rooms. Executive Director Ted Coons made a visit to the club to present the ODKF grant of $5,000 to add to the club’s current commitment.

If you come to our club as an inter-club, we will be happy to arrange a visit at the hospital to see the new facilities.

Grants Awarded by Foundation

Four clubs have received grants from the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation.

Kettering Club is busy making stuffed dolls to distribute to children in the hospital emergency room. A Foundation grant of $1,000 will purchase supplies for 200 dolls. Hospital nurses tell moving stories of the soothing effect of the dolls for children receiving frightening treatment in the emergency room.

Tiffin Club received a grant of $5,000 to support their project to provide children’s treatment rooms and waiting room space in the new Mercy Hospital in their community.

Elyria Club is rebuilding a permanent Safety Town where they teach safety habits for school, home and play to over 600 children a year.

A program of family learning experiences is being provided by the Lakewood Club with a grant of $350 from the Foundation.

Please send me information from the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation regarding:

- Ambassador’s Program
- Annual Club Birthday Fund
- Pediatric Trauma Fund
- Past International President’s Fund
- Ohio Kiwanis Endowment Society
- Don Williams Award
- Stan Schneider Award
- Walter Sellers Award
- KICK Program
- Make a Difference Day Organization
- First Lady’s Project - Pediatric Trauma
- Grant Application
- Club Advised Fund Program
- Disaster Relief Fund
- Other ___________________________

Name ______________________________________
Address ____________________________________
City _____________________ Zip _______________
Phone: _____________________________________
Email: ______________________________________
Fax ________________________________________

Mail to: Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation
PO Box 1013, Wooster, Ohio 44691

The next deadline for grant applications is March 31. Information is available at www.odkf.org.
Two years ago we introduced a makeover of the Mid Year program as Mid Year Education Day. Our goal was to Build on the Best of the Past While Adding New Features. You said that you appreciated our efforts – the one day time commitment, a great keynote speaker, the new forums and grouping the forums in themed tracks.

We wanted last year’s event to be even more memorable. Well it was – we had the Blizzard of ’08! So how can we top that? Well, first we are eliminating the snow and cold by moving the date to Saturday April 25th. We want you to be welcome, energized, rewarded – and warm.

To honor your time, we are keeping the one day time commitment, the program starts at 9:00 AM and ends promptly at 4:30.

We are keeping the best forums, and adding new ones. We have again divided the program into “tracks” which have 3 – 4 different, but related, forums through the day so that you can follow a specific area of interest – or mix and match if you want. There is something for everyone. The tentative forum list is elsewhere in this edition.

We have a great speaker again this year – International Trustee Randy DeLay of the Texas-Oklahoma District has agreed to join us this year. I think that you will find him a dynamic, exciting and entertaining speaker.

We Have Moved!! Where is it? The Hyatt Regency Columbus at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. It is located at 350 North High St. – at High & Nationwide next to the Columbus Convention Center. For those who came the last two years — this is the OTHER Hyatt in downtown Columbus. So when you come to Education Day, if you find the Hyatt and the capitol IS across the street, ask the kind folks in the Hyatt for directions to the other Hyatt.

We also have opportunities For Service and Sharing. There will be interclub credits on Education Day so bring multiple members. Let’s face it, its fun to have your club members with you at these events. And, since the Key Club Convention will be at the same hotel, we have a chance for you to participate in their fundraiser. This will be our joint function with Key Club.

Our Kiwanis Education Day will feature a one-day early discount package price of $50.00, which includes a limited continental breakfast, coffee, juice, lunch, forums and all of your materials, if you register by April 7th. It is $10 additional after that. How do you register? Go to the Ohio District website (www.ohiokiwanis.org) to either download a registration form or register on-line.

Plan now to join us for a day full of camaraderie, service, education, and inspiration and remember to register by April 7th to avoid the late registration fee! We want you to know – We Have heard you! Come and see what has been done – We look forward to seeing you there.

**Tentative Agenda:** [See Learning Experience (Forums) for more detail]

8:30 – 9:00: Registration/Breakfast/Coffee
9:00 – 10:00: Opening (includes Keynote speaker)
10:10 – 11:00: First Forum Session
11:15 – 11:45: Joint Fundraiser with Key Club
11:50 – 12:40: Group A – M-Y Ed Attendees Lunch;
12:40 – 1:30: Group B – M-Y Ed Attendees Lunch;
1:40 – 2:30: Second Forum Session
2:40 – 3:30: Third Forum Session
3:40 – 4:30: Fourth Forum Session

**M-Y Education Learning Experience (Forums)**

The following shows the Tracks, the forums and a tentative session schedule:

**Track 1 – Membership:** Together Achieving Growth (TAG). Learn how to achieve growth through proven, positive strategies. Clubs should select a representative or team to attend all four forums. New segments are being added to last year’s successful program which covers attracting new members, keeping current members, and building new clubs.

**Session 1: Going from Good to Great- Succession Planning for Kiwanis Clubs** - Learn the basic concepts to move your club from good to great. Discover the secrets of getting the right people in the right positions in your club and increase member involvement and service impact by putting the best people on the best opportunities.

**Session 2: New Club Building** - Learn why it is so important to build new clubs in the Ohio District. Learn a proven, step-by-step method for successfully building a new Kiwanis club. Get energized about building a new club to provide more Kiwanis service. Learn how new clubs can be built to complement existing clubs.

**Session 3: Growth as Easy as 1-2-3** - Be sure to attend this forum if adding new members is a goal for your club this year. Learn new strategies and techniques for attracting new members and keeping them involved. You will have a better understanding of new membership initiatives and learn how other clubs are growing using new practices. There will be a discussion of the “Kiwanis New Membership Opportunities”.

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Bill Snellgrove, District Chair
wsnellgr@columbus.rr.com
Session 1: What is Kiwanis? Come tell us what is good – or needs to change in Kiwanis. Bring your ideas.

Session 2: What are your Kiwanis issues? Come tell us what is good – or needs to change in Kiwanis. Bring your ideas.

Session 3: Report from the Kiwanis International Dues Revenue Task Force.

Session 3: Building A Club Website - Learn how two people built serviceable websites, not as professional website builders, but as Kiwanis members interested in opening new communication channels.

Session 4: Report from the Kiwanis International Dues Revenue Task Force. (Repeat)

Session 4: Tools for Secretaries – Learn the newest tools available to club secretaries.

Session 4: See the NEW Business to Business Website - See the unveiling of the new secure addition to the Ohio District Website that allows Kiwanians to network and email across the state saving time and money for the clubs, divisions, and district. This also will provide access to graduating Key Club and Circle K members resumes and for membership invitations.

Circle K is ending the 2008-2009 administrative year strong. The 52nd Annual District Convention was held February 20-22, in Dublin, Ohio. This year’s theme was “Unveiling the Magic of Service” and in my opinion that is exactly what over one hundred Circle K members did for the entire weekend. At DCON we were joined by International Representative Christa Fry from the West Virginia District. I just want to thank Christa for all of her hard work and dedication. The district voted on several bylaw amendments as well as elected our 2009-2010 District Board. Chad Gardner from Marietta College will be serving as Governor and I cannot even begin to say how proud of him I am.

March 27-29, the incoming District Board will be meeting at Camp O’Bannon in Newark, Ohio for a weekend of training and fellowship. Shortly after this the club officers from around the district will be travelling to the Ohio State University on April 18 for the Spring Officers Training Conference chaired by Danielle Springer of the Wittenberg Club. Club officers will have the opportunity to set goals and be trained to lead their clubs for the coming year.

I just want to take a moment and thank everyone for supporting me during the past eighteen months that I have served as Governor. This has by far been the best experience of my life and I would not trade it in for anything. I wish the Ohio District Circle K the best in the coming year and I look forward to continuing on in the organization as a senior.
OHIO KIWANIS MID-YEAR EDUCATION DAY
April 25, 2009
Hyatt on Regency, 350 North High Street, Columbus, OH 43215

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

NAME:(L, F, MI): __________________________________________ Member #_________
ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________
CITY/ST/ZIP: _______________________________________/ ___/ _____________
CLUB: _______________________________________________ DIV: ________
DAYTIME PHONE: (____)________________-____________________
PARTNER(L, F, MI):  ___________________________________________________________
Note: If partner is a Kiwanis member please use separate form.
BADGE NAMES(FIRST): ____________________________________________________________

REGISTRATION FEES
Kiwanis Member  Early Bird Registration (includes lunch) $50 X ____ = $ __________
Partner Registration (includes lunch) $37 X ____ = $__________
Service Leadership Members (includes lunch) $30 X ____ = $ __________
Registration postmarked after April 7th and all on-site registration) $60   X ____ = $__________
Note: Lunch tickets subject to availability for on-site registrations.
Food guarantee must be made to hotel 96 hours prior to time of the event.  Total  $__________

Fax to: 888-397-4457 or Mail this registration form with your payment payable to:
Ohio District Kiwanis, 6161 Busch Blvd., Suite 220, Columbus, Ohio  43229-2554

Registration must be postmarked by April 7, 2009 to avoid late registration fee.

METHOD OF PAYMENT (CIRCLE ONE) CHECK  CREDIT CARD (Visa, or MC only)
MC/VISA NUMBER_____________________________________________________________________________
EXPIRATION DATE____________ 3 or 4 digit security code ________
TYPE OF CARD__________________  CARDHOLDER NAME___________________________________________
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To help us with our planning for room assignments, please indicate which education track you will most likely attend.
__1 Membership  ___2 Service ___3 Service Leadership Programs
___4 Leadership and Personal Growth  ____5 Things You Might Like to Know about Kiwanis

*A full refund is available up to the date of guaranteed meal counts (Monday at Noon). After that date, refunds are available only in the event of severe illness, hospitalization or death of registrant.
Ohio District Kiwanis MidYear Education Day
Room Reservation Request
at the Hyatt Regency  614-463-1234

(Check one:) ______ Two Double Beds; ________ King Bed ______ Suite**
____ arrival date ______ departure date ______ arrival time

Name: ______________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________
City/State: ____________________________ Zip: ______________
Daytime Phone/Email Address: ___________________________________________________

Check in time is 3:00 PM
Room cost per night - $132.00 plus state and hotel taxes of 16.75% tax ** Call Hyatt Regency for suite rates and availability.

Special Requests: ______________________________________________________________
Comments/Names of Roommates _________________________________________________

You must guarantee your room for a late arrival with a credit card or payment for one night’s lodging. Room request must be received prior to April 3, 2009. After this date, rooms will continue to be reserved at group rate, as available. Check in time is 3:00 P.M.; check out is 12:00 noon. The Hyatt Hotel will endeavor to meet all requests as to Room Type, but make no guarantees to do so. Smoking is now limited to the 15th floor only. Valet parking is available for $22 per day. The Chestnut Street garage is $12.00 per day with in and out privelages. Self-parking is also available at various surface lots in the area.

Visa _____ MC _____ DISCOVER _____ AMEX _____ DINERS CLUB _____

Credit Card # _________________________________________________________________
Expiration Date __________________________
Name on Card: ________________________________

Please note that all reservations have a 24 hour cancel policy. Reservations must be cancelled by 3:00 PM EST 1 day prior to arrival

Mail Registration form to: Hyatt Regency, 350 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215, attention Reservations Department or call 614-463-1234.
Pre-Convention Day Wednesday, June 24
Noon - 6 p.m. Registration opens
1 - 6 p.m. Key Leader for Adults (optional ticketed event)

DAY ONE Thursday, June 25
7:30 a.m. Ohio District Caucus
8 a.m.-2 p.m. Registration, Exhibits, Delegate Certification, Kiwanis Store
9 a.m.-noon TAG Team Orientation
2-4 p.m. Opening Session (Exhibit Hall closed)
4-6 p.m. Chart Toppers Celebration for all attendees
7:30 p.m. District Event: Bluegrass Festival at the Ryman Auditorium

DAY TWO Friday, June 26
8 a.m.-6 p.m. Registration, Exhibits, Delegate Certification, Kiwanis Store
9-11 a.m. Meet the Candidates
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Leadership Luncheon (optional ticketed event)
2-5 p.m. Business Session
8 p.m. Kiwanis Night at the Grand Ole Opry (optional ticketed event)

DAY THREE Saturday, June 27
7-8:30 a.m. Fellowship Breakfast (optional ticketed event)
8 a.m.-2 p.m. Registration, Exhibits, Kiwanis Store
8:45-10:30 a.m. Meetings for governors, governors-elect and governors-elect candidates
noon-1:30 p.m. Foundation Luncheon (by invitation only)
2:30-4:30 p.m. Closing Session
6 p.m. Saturday Night Stampede at the Wildhorse Saloon (optional ticketed event)
evening Service Leadership Program: Alumni Reception

Top 10 Things to do in Nashville
Source: Nashville Convention Bureau

1 Hear the music where music lives
We’re proud of the title “Music City”—nowhere else can you hear such diverse sounds as Americana, country, rockabilly, jazz, blues, classical, gospel and rock ‘n roll. Every honky tonk and club showcases a different songwriter waiting for the next big break.

2 Hit the Hall
Visit the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum. Choose from more than 100 top hits and burn your own CD. Music prevails in Music City! You will see permanent and changing exhibits devoted to musical legends featuring original costumes, instruments, interactive exhibits, etc.

3 Ride the Row
Visit historic RCA Studio B by taking a trolley tour of Music Row to the famous recording studio where Elvis recorded more than 200 songs, Roy Orbison, Dolly Parton, Eddy Arnold, and many more recorded classic hits here. Not surprisingly, the heartbeat of Music City is driven by music—from country to classical.

4 Visit the Home of the Greek Gods
In Nashville’s Centennial Park, you’ll find the world’s only full-scale reproduction of the Parthenon in Athens, Greece. The Parthenon houses an art gallery and museum as well as Athena Parthenos—at almost 42 feet in height, it’s the tallest indoor sculpture in the Western world.

5 Take In a Songwriters-In-the-Round Show
It’s simple. It’s classic. It’s uniquely Nashville. In a city of working musicians and songwriters, there’s no better way to hear the music. Typically called a “writers night,” several singer/songwriters sit on stage accompanied only by a microphone, a guitar and their immense talent. These shows can be found in small, intimate clubs like the famed Bluebird Café.

6 Kick Up Your Boot
At the Wildhorse Saloon, they serve up country that kicks! Take a break from line dancing to enjoy the famous barbecue. Daily lessons are free for those adventurous enough to scoot onto the dance floor. Country’s brightest stars often perform here, too.

7 Visit the Ryman Auditorium
Sure, it’s the “Mother Church of Country Music,” but artists such as Jon Bon Jovi and Tony Bennett regularly perform on its legendary stage. The world’s greatest stars have performed at the Ryman, from Caruso to Cash.

8 Take a Timeless Journey
The stars of the Grand Ole Opry perform every Friday and Saturday night. With more than 80 years under its belt, the Opry shows no signs of slowing down. It’s the world’s longest-running radio broadcast.

9 Salute
Three U.S. Presidents called Tennessee home—Andrew Jackson, James K. Polk and Andrew Johnson. You can revisit the past at The Hermitage, Home of President Andrew Jackson. Polk is buried on the grounds of the historic State Capitol building.

10 Visit Honky Tonk Highway
Tootsie’s Orchid Lounge, Legends Corner, Second Fiddle, The Stage, Bluegrass Inn and Robert’s Western World are all experts at serving up cool longnecks and hot country music. You never know who you’ll see in these Lower Broadway clubs in the shadow of the Ryman. Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson and Terri Clark all began their careers at Tootsie’s.

Tentative Agenda
Kiwanis International Convention
Nashville, Tennessee
2009 Kiwanis International Convention
June 25-28, 2009, Nashville, TN
Ohio District Event Order Form

June 25, Ryman Auditorium

Please join us for some toe tapping fun in Nashville. When our Ohio District Kiwanians attend the Kiwanis International Convention in Nashville, they will be treated to a musical feast.

Our District event this year will be a concert on Thursday, June 25th at the historic Ryman Auditorium. Established in 1892, the Ryman has hosted a wide variety of entertainment with lectures by Lt. Robert Peary, Booker T. Washington, Eleanor Roosevelt, and Helen Keller, shows featuring Will Rogers, Bob Hope, Doris Day, Mae West, Victor Borge, Isadora Duncan, Katherine Hepburn, Elvis Presley, Dolly Parton, Matchbox 20 and Coldplay. Shows filmed in the Ryman include “The Johnny Cash Show”, scenes from “Nashville”, “Coal Miner’s Daughter”, “Honky Tonk Man” and “Sweet Dreams: The Patsy Cline Story”.

We are fortunate to have tickets to the Multi-award musical group, Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver. They recently received nominations for Country Bluegrass Gospel Song of the Year and the Country Bluegrass Gospel Album of the Year for their recording of the song and album titled “Help Is On The Way”. They have received Vocal Group of the Year by the International Bluegrass Music Association for seven consecutive years. Over the past three decades, Lawson and his group have received practically every honor known to bluegrass Gospel music. He is recognized as one of the industries most celebrated musicians, having released nearly 40 recordings to date.

Tickets are $25.00 per person and price includes all taxes and fees. We have a limited amount of tickets available since this show is also being booked by other districts and is also open to the public. **Deadline for ordering tickets is May 18.**

Send order form as well as payment to: Ohio District Kiwanis, 6161 Busch Blvd., Suite 220, Columbus, OH 43229 or fax with credit card number to: 888-397-4457.

Name: ____________________________

Club: ____________________________

Address: ____________________________

City/state/zip: ____________________________

Email: ____________________________ Daytime phone: ____________________________

I would like _________ tickets to the Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver concert at the cost of $25.00/ticket.

Total amount included/to be charged for this order is: $ _____________

Master card or Visa: ____________________________

Expiration date: ________/________ Security code: ___ ___ ___

Tickets for this event will be available for pick up at the district office at the convention hotel.
Port Clinton Kiwanian honored for “Fishy Contributions” to Community.

In recognition of her leadership as Walleye Drop Ornament Chair, the Kiwanis Club of Port Clinton made a contribution in her honor to the Kiwanis International Foundation to serve the children of the world and presented Vee a plaque placing her in the Kiwanis International Leadership Society.

The ornament was a project started by Vee in 1998 to raise funds to meet the goal of the Port Clinton Kiwanis Club’s $10,000.00 commitment to the Kiwanis International’s World Wide Service Project of elimination of Iodine Deficiency Disorders. The club did meet and exceed its IDD goal and at the same time was able to honor 15 members of the Kiwanis Port Clinton Club with the George F. Hixson Fellowship Award. Of these 15 members, 4 are now deceased, so there is additional pride in knowing this project, allowed the club to recognize these dedicated long service individuals during their Kiwanis life. These departed Kiwanians were Carl Biro, Jr, Dr. James Rheil, Goerge Schade and Terry Heise.

This project, now in its 11th year with the 2009 Issue, has raised over $30,000.00 with proceeds now providing Community Service, Youth Leadership and Scholarships sponsored by the local club. This year Vee has stepped down as Chair and Joan Bryden has taken on this responsibility. You will still find Vee on the committee and to quote her “What a way to spend New Year’s Eve, at a really Big Party, where a fish named “WYLIE” is dropped at midnight while helping to raise funds to provide service to our community and having fun a the same time.”

The Kiwanis Club of Brecksville- Ramp program gets another customer!

This year the Kiwanis Club of Brecksville initiated a project to offer their help in the construction of access ramps for those who need better access to their homes due to medical circumstances. The club provides all design, permit and building of a ramp approved by the city building department.

The owners of the home only need to purchase, at cost, materials needed for the construction of the ramp.

This ramp was the second built inside a garage and was certified by the building department. Plans were drawn by Architect, Tom Moore of Brecksville and a crew of 6 Kiwanians built the ramp in one day. Materials were supplied by Larson Lumber and paid for by the resident.

It was a very happy holiday for this resident to have everyone home for Christmas.

Ohio Kiwanis Foundation Recognizes Circle K Governor for Outstanding Service

The Ohio Kiwanis Foundation recognized Jason Stewart for his outstanding services to the District by awarding him with a Past International Presidents Award.

Kiwanis Governor Kip Crain and First Lady Becky Crain presented the award at the Ohio District Circle K Convention while members of the district and Jason's parents, Jeff and Robin Stewart looked on.

Jason was surprised and very gratified to receive this recognition from the Foundation and was honored to learn that his efforts on behalf of the Kiwanis Family had been noticed.
Keyed-in students tune in to service
Volunteering at the Salvation Army was Chaney Key Club’s latest project
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YOUNGSTOWN- Eight students from Chaney High School donned aprons, rubber gloves and hair nets in an effort to make a positive difference in their community.

The students, members of Chaney Key Club, a service group sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Youngstown, spent most of Thursday preparing and serving a meal to dozens of clients at the Glenwood Avenue Salvation Army facility. They also helped clean up when the meal was finished.

Serving food at the Salvation Army soup kitchen was just the group’s latest community service project, said Justin Kalinay, a senior and president of the club for the last three years. The members have helped with organizing on Federal Plaza, worked with Second Harvest and Gleaners food banks as well as the Rescue Mission, wrapped holiday gifts and caroled, played bingo and socialized at area nursing homes among other things, he said.

One of the biggest recent events was decorating and helping run a Winter Wonderland for about 100 city elementary schoolchildren at Chaney in December. Plans include a radio auction fundraiser with the Kiwanis and projects with Angels for Animals and the food banks, Kalinay said.

Teacher Richard Scarsella is the club’s advisor.

“It’s actually really fun. It really is,” said Anthony Durkin, a Chaney sophomore and first-year club member. “I would recommend anyone join”. Most of the club members are involved in other school activities as well, club leader Justin said, pointing out that all eight at Thursday’s event are also members of the Chaney book club.

Randi Green helped make the coffee and wrapped silverware in preparation for the meal. The most exciting part is: “When we’re serving, we get to meet new people,” said the sophomore and second year member.

“All my friends were there,” said Megan Holmes, a junior and first-year member, explaining why she joined. “And helping people,” she added, as she stood ready to serve rice and turkey.

Devante Smith, another junior who joined this year, said having a record of community service on one’s resume can be helpful in applying to colleges. Plus, many of her friends are Key Club members, she said. She had some experience in community service in the past, helping at a nursing home when she was in seventh and eighth grades, she said.

“Our friend asked us to join,” said Heather Miller, nodding toward Justin as she and Chelsea Brannon prepared to collect used dinner trays. Heather, a senior and second year member, said providing service to the community is important to her.

The young people are encouraged to come and help, said Sarah Cordero, social service caseworker for the Salvation Army. The Mahoning County Salvation Army lunch is served every weekday from the 15th to the end of each month, she said.

Brett Vaillancourt, a senior and first year member, said joining a service group wasn’t something he had planned to do. It was the convincing recruitment by his good friend, Justin, that persuaded him to sign up. “He talked me into it,” Brett said, adding that he glad he joined. “It gives you that warm fuzzy feeling inside.” He said.
Internet Clubs Show the way to perform Service without leaving the comfort of your home

Often times we hear at our Kiwanis club meetings that we need new ways to perform service. That not everyone in the club can help on every club project. That our projects do not have a wide enough impact. That we need new ideas for service projects. We continue to do the same service projects year in and year out.

Internet based Kiwanis clubs may have solved the answer to these questions.

Thanks to The Animal Rescue Site, The Hunger, The Breast Cancer, The Child Health, The Literacy, The Rain Forest sites on the internet you can find sponsors who donate money to each cause it sponsors as you click on the “Click Here to Give – it’s Free” button.

The sites explain the cause and how they help. Then (example) The Child Health Site provides a feel-good way to help promote awareness as well as prevent and treat devastating childhood illness everyday- through easy and quick online activities.

With a simple, daily click of the blue “Click Here to Give – it’s Free” button at The Child Health Site, visitors help children. Visitors pay nothing. The treatments and preventative services described above (on the site) are paid for by our site sponsors and accomplished through our charitable partners, Mercy Corps, the Prosthetics Outreach Foundation, Elizabeth Glaser Pediatrics, AIDS Foundation and Helen Keller International.

You can click every day to help children get and stay healthy, and to give hope to future generations. Every click counts in the life and health of a child.

Go on the World Wide Web, find a cause and help our world through this unique way to perform Kiwanis service.

This is new to Kiwanis but what a great way to in less than 15 minutes per day impact thousands of children and adults in a positive way.

What a wonderful way to help and not even leave the comfort of your own home, computer, or blackberry. It is service every Kiwanis member with a computer can perform.

Here are just a few of the sites to check out.

Click to:
Fund Free Mammogram:
http://www.thebreastcancersite.com/cgi-bin/WeobObjects/CTDSites
Email troops:
Literacy Free Books: http://www.theliteracysite.com
Hunger Site: http://www.thehungeresite.com
Protect Children’s Health: http://www.thechildhealthsite.com
Protect the rainforest: www.therainforestsite.com
Provide free rice: www.freerice.com
Save dogs and cats:
http://www.dogpilesearchandrescue.com/toolbar 7s_cid=OM4331

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“55 and Fantastic”
Downtown Kiwanis Radio Auction Set for April 2

The 55th annual Kiwanis Club of Downtown Youngstown Radio Auction will be held Thursday, April 2, 5 to 11:00 p.m., broadcast on WNIO 1390- AM. Since its beginning in 1954, the live auction has raised more than $500,000 for service projects that improve the lives of children and families in the Youngstown area.

The auction, aired on long time Kiwanis radio station partner WNIO 1390- AM, offers bidders quality merchandise and services donated by local merchants, service businesses, manufacturers and individuals. Last years auction contained 116 items and the club raised more than $25,000 during the live, six hour event.

“Our commitment to children is the top priority of the Kiwanis Club of Downtown Youngstown” reports club president and auction chair Christopher McCarty. “The proceeds from our radio auction have allowed us to give back to the community and benefit thousands of young people.”.

While members of the Downtown Kiwanis club contact businesses for auction donations – many that have repeatedly donated to the fundraiser, the club welcomes new business and individual donors. To donate or for more information, contact the Kiwanis club at 330-565-7189. All donors benefit from solid publicity for their donations as the event is widely promoted on radio, television, in newspapers and on the internet through the Downtown Kiwanis web site – www.youngstownkiwanis.com.
2009 Circle K Convention: “Unveiling the Magic of Service!”

The 2009 Ohio District Circle K held their annual convention February 20-22 in Dublin, Ohio.

College students from across Ohio gathered to campaign, do service projects, raise money, attend workshops and have fun!

Candidates caucused for office and members of the House of Delegates debated the merits of various district by-law changes and a dues increase.

Members donated non-perishable food to a local food pantry, cut out materials for craft projects at Children’s Hospital, made Linus Project blankets and raised more than $300 for their International Service Project for UNICEF, the 6 Cents Initiative which provides clean drinking water to third world countries.

Service hours were announced and plans for pumping up those numbers before the end of the year were discussed.

Clubs were recognized for jobs well done when awards were given out. Trophies and certificates were proudly displayed.

Each evening ended in the wee hours of the morning after dancing, socializing and the annual “hug fest” that involves drinking sugar laden fruit flavored drinks among much laughter and socialization.

Students made plans for “bigger and better” events, applied for district committee chair appointments, and took pictures for their facebook pages and scrapbooks.

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Marietta Sophomore Elected to Office of Circle K Governor!

Chad Gardner, a sophomore from Marietta College was elected to the office of Governor for the 2009-10 Administrative year.

Chad is no stranger to the Kiwanis Family, a former Builders Club member and Vice President of the Cambridge Key Club, he has been involved with Kiwanis Service Leadership since 2001. He has served as Distinguished Club President for Circle K at Marietta College and served as Lt. Governor for the Buckeye Trails division.

Chad is a Business Management Major and has set goals to improve communication between club officers and the district board, distribution of a monthly newsletter and to strengthen weak clubs in the district. He also plans on enhancing growth in service and membership. Chad has a lot of enthusiasm and is excited to be in this role and looks forward to his first event - board trainer.

THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS

* 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 the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.

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

* To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.

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

The six permanent Objects of Kiwanis International were approved by Kiwanis club delegates at the 1924 Convention in Denver, Colorado. Through the succeeding decades, they have remained unchanged.

Don’t Miss the 52nd Annual Ohio Kiwanis Golf Outing

Please plan on joining fellow Kiwanians and friends at the 52nd annual Ohio Kiwanis Golf Outing on your choice of July 15 or 16, 2009 at Tam O’Shanter Golf Course in Canton, Ohio. The event will again be sponsored by the Ohio Kiwanis Foundation making a portion of the registration fee and all sponsorship donations tax deductible, and the net proceeds will be available to help support Foundation projects. Tam O’Shanter is located at 5055 Hills & Dales Rd. NW, Canton, very near I-77. New this year, social hour and dinner will also be held at Tam O’Shanter Golf Course. As always this event is open to the entire K-Family and all friends of Kiwanis. Both a scramble and best ball format will be offered again this year. Various levels of prizes will be awarded for both formats as well as skill contests on the course.

The price of this year’s event will remain $75.00 and includes lunch, golf, cart, prizes, and a great dinner. To continue to make this event a success and help raise funds for the many projects and grants supported by the Ohio Kiwanis Foundation, sponsorships will again be sold. We are in need of strong support in sponsorships to help keep the tournament at the quality level everyone has come to expect and benefit the foundation. Therefore, please consider having your club, division, or a business from your area become a sponsor. Registration and sponsorship forms are available at OhioKiwanisGolf.com, which can also be reached from the Ohio Kiwanis Foundation website (ODKF.org).

Please mark your calendars and arrange your teams now to take advantage of the great fun, food and fellowship that takes place at this event every year. Tee times are assigned on a first come first serve basis so register early. The event is held rain or shine. No cancellations can be accepted after July 8, 2009. If anyone needs help with lodging arrangements please contact us. Please encourage your club to send one or more foursomes to this great District event. If you have any questions regarding the tournament please contact either Dave Kuhn (440) 232-2562 or Bill Flinta (330) 923-0454. Thanks for supporting this event. We look forward to seeing everyone in July.

Foundation Provides Speakers

Does your club need a speaker for one of your meetings? The Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation has speakers in all areas of the state who can share information about how your club benefits from the work of the Foundation. How can you get grants for club projects? What is pediatric trauma? How can we do service projects that prevent injuries to children? What is a Club Advised Fund? How can we honor club members with a donation to the Foundation? These topics and more are available. Contact the Foundation at info@odkf.org or call the secretary at 330-345-5316.