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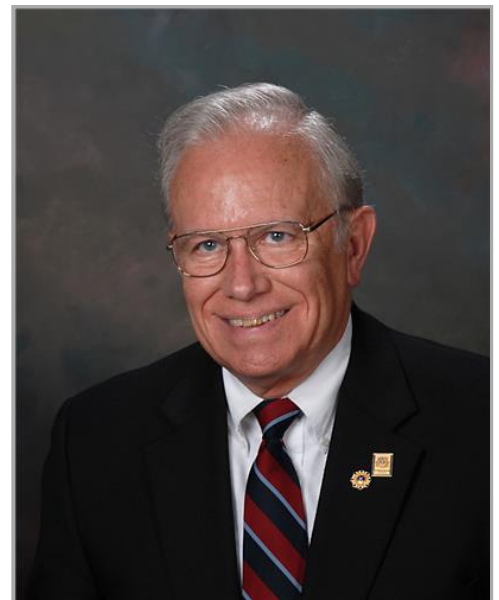
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Governor's Report

11/21/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: John DeVilbiss

This is the first issue of the Buckeye Bulletin for 2010-2011. You will notice a number of changes in the Ohio District Publication. First, we have gone back to the name "Buckeye Bulletin" as the official name. Second, it is in a new format. We have gone to a more "web friendly" publication. By using this format, we will be able to send out the Buckeye Bulletin more frequently. We will also be able to use news articles from clubs and divisions. Please submit your articles for publication to the District Office.

First Lady Wanda and I have visited a number of the divisions for our "Official Visit". Visiting the divisions has been extremely informative and very rewarding. We certainly appreciate your warm hospitality and friendship. Please continue to inform us of your projects and special events.



Membership in the Ohio District continues to be a high priority. We want to continue the plan from last year, asking each club in the District to have a very specific membership growth plan. Make sure that any plan for the club has time limits for reaching the goals. It has been proven that a membership plan that has time limits that are too long does not work. The goal for the Ohio District, the divisions, and the clubs, for 2010-2011 is the same as Kiwanis International President Sylvester Neal has set for Kiwanis International. The goal is "Plus One". That means that we want the District, every division, and every club, to have a net gain of one member during the 2010-2011 year. Twenty-six clubs and three divisions had a membership gain in October. They are leading the way and are doing a great job. Our congratulations go out to those clubs that are meeting the goal. Keep up the good work.

The "First Lady's Project" will be called the "First Family Project" for 2010-2011. Many clubs and divisions are doing great work in supporting the First Family Project, "Safe Pediatric Transport". You will hear more about this project in the coming months and during our official visits to the divisions. Please send us information and reports about your efforts to support the First Family Project, Safe Pediatric Transport. We need your feedback to know what is happening within the District. Please E-mail us and give us all the details concerning your support. Keep a record of funds expended on ambulance project, the number of CHAD stickers given out, any comfort bears donated, and

anything else that we can use to evaluate the project. We would like to evaluate at the Mid-Year Education Day, the District Convention, and at the end of the year.

At this time of the year, we give thanks for all our blessings at Thanksgiving. As we look around the world, we find that we are truly blessed. Let's all pause and give thanks. As we are thankful, let us pledge to continue and increase our service through Kiwanis. By joining together we can give greater service to others. Wanda and I are truly thankful for all of you and your support to Kiwanis. Best wishes for a great Thanksgiving.

District Secretary's Update

11/12/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Dave Whiteman



The Ohio District is pleased to introduce our new and improved Buckeye Bulletin. This abbreviated electronic issue will replace the Ohio Kiwanis Magazine that we have produced for several years. It will be prepared monthly to insure that it always has the up-to-date Kiwanis news that you and your clubs need.

I would like to draw your attention to the column on the left side of the front page. This column is designed to include news articles submitted by individual Kiwanis Clubs to highlight the service that they are doing in their local communities. Please be sure that your club Public Relations Chair is aware of this. We would like nothing better than to see this column completely full each month with good news about Kiwanis in the Ohio District.

Tax Filing Deadlines

To get back to a little business, Kiwanis Clubs need to be thinking about their IRS Income Tax filing requirements. All clubs must file a 990-N, 990-EX or 990 Form by no later than February 15th. Which form you are required to use is dependent on the Gross Receipts the club had in the 2009-10 Administrative Year. If your club's Gross Receipts are less than \$25,000, you will only need to file the 990-N postcard return. If you are unsure of your requirements, please feel free to call me in the district office at (614) 848-5000 or (888) 827-8196 and I will attempt to guide you in the right direction.

Annual Club Report

Most of our Club Secretaries are filing reports monthly using the KiwanisOne Reporting system. If you are doing that, you can review your Annual Report compilation on the Monthly Reporting page of KiwanisOne until November 30th. Just click on the link at the top of the page. If you see information that needs to be revised, you will need to access the monthly report that included the incorrect information and correct/resubmit it. If you did not use the monthly reporting system, time is running out to complete a manual report and upload it to Kiwanis International before the November 30th deadline. Remember that the 2009-10 Distinguished Club Award are tied to this report. Please call me in the district office and we can discuss what options you may have.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE FOR GENEVA

11/19/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Al Allender, District On To Chair

We need as many Ohio Kiwanians in Geneva as possible to support our own A. Alan Penn as he moves to the Presidency of Kiwanis International. We also need your support as we vote on critical issues that may come before the delegates. We need a "Sea of Red", so District red shirts will once again be available. Ordering information will be coming soon.

We don't really care if you go by frequent flyer miles, travel agencies such as Travelocity, Orbitz, etc. We just need you there. We have arranged a convenient method for you to travel using available packages from Incontra/Tumlare. A brief message from Incontra follows.

The shores of Lake Geneva have attracted visitors and invaders for millennia. The cheerful city of Geneva sits on the lake's western shore, lofty snowcapped peaks creating a gorgeous backdrop on all sides. This diverse city is wonderful for exploring and discovering.



InConTra, Inc. and Tumlare Corporation have developed exclusive all-inclusive tour packages for the Ohio District of Kiwanis which include airfare from Ohio to Geneva, airport transfers, four nights hotel accommodations, daily breakfast, convention shuttle service and sightseeing in and around Geneva. Additionally, an extensive menu of pre and post European convention tours is available to enhance your time abroad.

Please sign up and deposit soon as group travel to Europe is more complex than traveling domestically and we want to make sure we provide the best flight schedule and airline seats possible to Kiwanians traveling to Geneva. Since there are limited airlines flying to Geneva and the summer is high season, the earlier we book your airline seat the better chance we have to confirm a good flight schedule and avoid having you sit in a middle seat or apart from your traveling companion.

In addition, we are offering four categories of convention hotels based on quality, price and location; Gold, Silver Spa, Silver and Bronze. These hotels are not the typical size of an American convention hotel; rather they are smaller European properties. There is not a dedicated hotel for the Ohio District. Several Kiwanis districts are buying into these hotels. Booking sooner, rather than last-minute, offers a better opportunity to be accommodated in the hotel of your choice.

Go to www.kiwanisgeneva2011.com to review the convention packages and sign up.

Please don't hesitate to email us at Kiwanis@tumlare.com or call 1-800-466-6990 with specific questions.

Registration is now open for the convention at Kiwanisone.org. The registration fee increases after January 31, 2011. Housing is also available thru Kiwanis International on that website. If you need information other than the Incontra numbers listed above, you can contact Al Allender, District On To Chair, at his home number of 740 392-8471 or Cell 740 507-4274 or by email at ajallender@embarqmail.com or by contacting the Ohio Kiwanis District Office.

We look forward to seeing you in Geneva!

Al Allender
2010-11 On to International Convention Chair

Mid-Year Education Day

11/12/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Sharon O'Neal



Good News!!!

Mid-Year Education Day, March 12, 2011, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. will return to the Conference Center at Northpointe. Remember those comfortable chairs, the delicious variety of choices for lunch, and what about snack time? Send in your registration fee of \$65 early to avoid the \$10 late fee. Please note that this fee will cover all meals, snacks, and conference materials. Also please pass the word to all members who did not attend last year; this is a great event for further Kiwanis education for your club.

Opening session begins at 9:00a.m. Our Keynote Speaker is none other than the dynamic Immediate Past International President Paul Palazzolo. He will inspire us to finish out the year making miracles happen.

Watch the Buckeye Bulletin each month to learn about the forums that will be presented, as well as our district website at www.ohiokiwanis.org. Start planning now to help your club accept our Ohio Governor's challenge and "BE THE MIRACLE".

Foundation ABCs

11/15/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Jean Forbes

Do you know the building blocks to supporting important projects in your District?

The mission of the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation is to raise, manage, and distribute funds to support programs of Ohio District Kiwanis family organizations for the improvement of lives of individuals.

A - Ambassador Club. With a gift as low as \$50 Kiwanis members become Ambassadors and that is just the beginning. Additional gifts, added together over time, earn special recognition.

B - Birthday Club. With a gift to the Foundation on your Club's Birthday you can celebrate the service you are providing in your community and communities across Ohio.

C - Club Advised Funds. Avoid complex regulations and reporting requirements by creating a fund for your Club's use at the Foundation.

To make a gift online go to www.odkf.org or contact the Foundation directly at secretary@odkf.org or 330-345-5316.



Circle K: Serving Others

11/16/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Sarah Roush



Kiwanians in the Ohio District can be very proud. Circle K is thriving in Ohio! Thanks to the support of dedicated Kiwanis members and alumni our clubs are growing and doing more service than ever. In the last two months, our college students have provided over 3,566.35 hours of service. If you figure service based on minimum wage – they have contributed over \$26,034.35 to their communities across the state!

We recently held our Fall Rally on the beautiful campus of Baldwin Wallace College in Berea. Thank you to both the Circle K and Kiwanis Clubs, for their hard work to make this event run smoothly. There were workshops, fellowship activities and of course service projects to the attendees. Projects ranged from making pine cone bird feeders (pictured) to raking leaves for the elderly, to creating greeting cards for soldiers and Boo-boo bunnies for toddlers.

Our next district event will be convention, held once again in Toledo. Clubs are encouraged to visit our website at www.ohiocki.org to download contest information.

We also wish to thank the Kiwanis Clubs who have been so generous through the KICK program with the Ohio District Kiwanis Foundation. Your gifts help offset the costs of our leadership training programs, such as Spring Officer Training and the Board Trainer. In appreciation to clubs who contribute to the KICK fund, the Circle K district provides a handsome patch to display on your club's banner. We can't thank you enough for your support.

It is also exciting to see more and more of our SLP alumni joining Kiwanis. They bring such energy and great ideas to our organization and it is exciting to see what incredibly dynamic individuals they have grown into. If you have the opportunity to interclub with a local Circle K or invite them to participate in one of your service projects – I hope you will consider doing so. They "Live to Serve, Love to Serve".

Kiwanis One Day is April 2, 2011

11/15/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Jennifer DeFrance

If you are looking to feel united with other Kiwanians and Service Leadership members throughout the world, Kiwanis One Day is the answer. One day each year, Kiwanians around the world join together for one day of global community service. Kiwanis One Day is April 2, 2011. Last year, many clubs in Ohio participated in Kiwanis One Day by cleaning up local parks, volunteering at local children's centers like the YMCA or Boys and Girls Club, or making Trauma Dolls to be donated to fire departments and hospitals.

Kiwanis International held a Video contest. The winner was the Kiwanis Club of Griffin, Georgia. Members helped to refurbish the Thomaston Mill Neighborhood. They installed new playground equipment in a neighborhood park, repaired and painted existing equipment, refurbished homes and sowed the seeds of hope in a community hard hit by the economy. Kiwanis International's Magazine contest winner was the Kiwanis Club of Olympia, Washington. This club grew and donated about 14,000 pounds of fresh, organic produce to the Thurston County Food Bank (TCFB) every year. This past Kiwanis One Day the Kiwanians and an army of other volunteers spread fertilizer, tilled soil, hoed rows, erected bean poles, turned compost and planted potatoes in the club's three-quarter-acre plot.



These winners show that your club's Kiwanis One Day project can either be a new project to your club or a long-standing service project. Your club should utilize this day to work with the Service Leadership Clubs like Circle K or Aktion Club. Coordination and involvement with these groups will make your club stronger and your members more interested in the Kiwanis-Family.

For more great ideas on Kiwanis One Day, visit www.kiwanisone.org and go to "Service & Fundraising." Be sure to report your event on the online monthly report and request a banner patch from Kiwanis International. Also, we will have a booth at the Ohio Kiwanis Mid Year Conference for you to share your idea and learn what others in Ohio have done. Good luck planning your Kiwanis One Day for April 2, 2011!

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION AND YOUR CLUB!

11/22/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Len Agrams

It is time once again to participate in the Kiwanis International Foundation's Annual Gift Campaign. It's important to remember that this campaign is about supporting the international efforts of Kiwanis, Districts, Divisions and Clubs throughout the world. Their major focus is helping children around the world in many worthwhile projects. Has your



club considered its support for this year?

Each year we focus on attaining a gift of \$5.00 per member. This year I would like to suggest that we focus on getting 100% club involvement, at some level. I have looked at our participation last year and we had less than 50% of our clubs support the foundation. This is an appeal to each club to donate at some level. Indeed the goal remains \$5.00, however support at some level, from all our clubs, will enable us to exceed our previous amounts raised and provide that much more support to the children of the world.

You also need to know that the per capita giving level directly affects the Matching Scholarships available to be awarded to Key Club and Circle K students throughout the district. Last year we had just over \$2.00 per member given to the Annual Gift Campaign meaning that we had only two (2) Matching Scholarships available to distribute. In prior years, we have had as many as four (4) scholarships available. Your gift directly benefits Ohio Circle K and Key Club students!

Email me at lhachfc@yahoo.com or call me at 330-465-4690 if you have questions or concerns. As always the foundation, as well as the children of the world, thanks you for your past and future support.

Len Abrams
2010-11 District Chair
Kiwanis International Foundation

Young Children: Priority One

11/23/2010 - District: Ohio - Submitted by: Diana Keplinger

Since young children are our priority in Kiwanis, we need to find ways to help them during the holidays and every other day of the year.

The Eliminate Project is going to be kicked off at the international convention in Geneva. Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus in any area that it still exists. The effort will take \$110 million dollars. Some clubs put a certain amount into their annual budget for this project. Others hold a special fund raiser to be able to contribute. Begin having this discussion in your club. How will your club help?

In your local communities there are many ways you can help young children. Prevent pediatric trauma by passing out CHAD stickers. Your Lieutenant Governors have the template to print your own. Pass them out to daycare centers, preschools, kindergartens, birthing centers, hospitals, and doctors offices. Make sure that the infants and small children in your community have an identity if their car is ever in an accident. Also, have conversations with your local medical transporters. They can use blow up child car seats, Pedi boards, Comfort Bears, and more. If these items are beyond your budget, consider applying for a District Foundation Grant to help.



Try taking baby food to your local pantry, collect boots and coats to contribute to your local clothes closet, donate warm pajamas to social service agencies, or adopt a family with small children for Christmas. Above all, find ways to help the smallest and most venerable members of your community.

If you would like me to visit your Division or Club to share more ideas, please contact me at 419-566-5903 or at dianakeplinger@hotmail.com. Happy Holidays and thanks for all you do for young children.

Diana Keplinger
2010-11 District Chair
Young Children: Priority One

Bloom Carroll Kiwanis Charter Presentation

11/22/2010 - Division: Division 10S - Submitted by: Frank Walker



The Bloom Carroll Kiwanis Club Charter presentation was celebrated with a dinner on October 16, 2010 at Wagnall's Memorial Library, catered by Charter Member Lisa Gabel, and served by members of the Bloom-Carroll Key Club. New Club builder Frank Walker welcomed the Bloom Carroll Charter Members and their guests. Attending was the Mayor of Carroll and a representative from the Lithopolis Mayor's office. Also attending were Immediate Past Governor Don Parker and Carol, Governor John DeVilbiss and Wanda, District Secretary Dave Whiteman, past district officers and members of the 10S Division.

New Club Builder Walt Maki presented Bloom Carroll President Joe Taylor with the gong, gavel and banners. Awards were presented

by Governor John DeVilbiss and Past Governor Mauri Cron to the New Club Building Team.

The highlight of the evening was the installation of the Bloom Carroll Club Officers and Trustees and the induction of the Bloom Carroll Charter Members. Past Governor Don commented on how unique this club is because it serves two communities that are united by one school district with an active Key Club of more than forty members. (The photo included shows Charter President Joe Taylor receiving his pin from his wife.)

The evening was concluded with Immediate Past Governor Don signing the Bloom Carroll Kiwanis Charter and presenting it to President Joe Taylor.

Club News

BG Kiwanians Clean Up Highway

11/21/2010 - Club: Bowling Green - Submitted by: Joan Gordon

As it celebrates its 90th anniversary, the Kiwanis Club of Bowling Green continues its long tradition of community service and service to children. One of its ongoing projects is litter clean up on a busy highway on the east side of Bowling Green. For years, members have been picking up trash on U.S. Route 6, just east of Bowling Green. In 2010, two clean ups were done with 26 members participating. Route 6 is a busy highway coming into Bowling Green. In April, 19 bags of litter were collected, and in October, 21 bags were picked up. Finding unusual items like discs, rope, dirty diapers, and money provide a different perspective on the traveling population. The pick ups take only about one hour because of so many Kiwanis volunteers. It is a worthwhile project which helps to make our community a better place in which to live.



KIRTLAND KIWANIS VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

11/17/2010 - Club: Kirtland - Submitted by: William Pastor



KIRTLAND KIWANIS VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

Photo

Area WWII Veterans honored during Kirtland Kiwanis Program

Honorees: Standing L-R: John Korpi, David Hogg, Robert Meil, Jim Brown, *Jim Naughton, Russel Schupp, *Louis Schupp, Joseph DiFranco, John Pogany, James Becka, Richard Kist, Allan Clough, Ralph Parsons

Seated L-R: *Rees Davis (at age 95 Kirtland Kiwanis oldest member), Lynn Naughton, *Tom G. Johnson, Gordon McCloud, John Armstrong

The WWII programs often seen on cable TV's History Channel came alive for the 45 members and guests at the Thursday meeting of the Kirtland Kiwanis Club where 19 Kirtland area veterans of WWII were honored during the dinner program presented at the Kirtlander. The program for the evening was organized and presented by WWII veteran and founding Kiwanis Club member Jim Naughton with the help of veteran member Bill Wright.

Veteran guests (ages 83 to 95) represented all services of the United States Military and served in both the European and Pacific theaters. Each Veteran was awarded a "Certificate of Appreciation" by the Kirtland Kiwanis Club. During the presentation, each guest veteran was recognized and a brief history of his service described. B17 pilots, Marines, and Navy veterans recalled battles now confined to our honored history. During the program, a moment of silence was observed while Mr. Naughton read the list of 18 Kirtland men who paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country during the war.

For most Americans, Veteran's Day is celebrated in the abstract if at all. For members and guests of the Kirtland Kiwanis Club it was truly a memorable evening.

Kiwanis Club of Piqua Installs New Officers and Board Members

11/12/2010 - Club: Piqua - Submitted by: Marijo Poling

On Wednesday, October 6th, Richard Ulmes, Lt. Governor of Kiwanis Division 3 installed the 2010-2011 Officers for the Kiwanis Club of Piqua. Officers installed include Gretchen Roeth, President; Warren Parker, Vice-President; Brian Phillips, Secretary; and Marijo Poling, Treasurer. Piqua Kiwanis Board Members were also recognized during the installation of officers.



Richmond Heights Kiwanis Activities

10/21/2010 - Club: Richmond Heights - Submitted by: James Giarelli

The Kiwanis Club of Richmond Heights hosted a clambake fundraiser and membership drive. The club reported 55 in attendance and net 1 new member. On December 16th they will host a Christmas Party for all children aged 0-5 with gifts and a visit from SANTA.

Kiwanis club of Troy Installs New Officers

10/06/2010 - Club: Troy - Submitted by: Earl Burley

On Wednesday, September 29th, Richard Ulmes, Lt. Governor of Kiwanis District #3 presided over the installation of the 2010-2011 Officers for the Kiwanis Club of Troy. Officers installed include President – Earl Burley; President-Elect – Dee Mahan; Vice President – Bobby Phillips, Secretary – Dan Synan; and Treasurer – Ed Cox. The 2010-2011 Board of Directors include the officers and board members: Kim Riber; Corie Schweser; Matt Gearhardt; Zack Allen; Lee Roeth; Sidney Wheat; and Gene Gretch.

Kiwanis serves the children in Miami County, as well as the children around the world. Kiwanis members volunteer their services, time and money to support many projects for the children, for families and the Miami County community.

The new officers and board members invite you to join us at one of the Wednesday weekly noon meetings held at the Troy Eagles or our first and third Tuesday night 5:30 PM Satellite Club meetings at The Caroline.