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# Changes in Ki-Notes Effective Immediately



Perhaps you noticed that Ki-Notes is a little late in getting to you. Where, you wonder, is the December - January issue? This Ki-notes says it is the March-April issue...so what happened to February?

Well, Ki-Notes is undergoing a face-lift and a format change. We are moving from focusing on what happened in the last two months to looking forward to the events and the work that lies ahead of us in the upcoming two months. After all, who wants to be behind the times?

We are also giving our newsletter more of a “magazine” look. As Ki-notes has gone digital the ability to read the newsletter on your mobile devices as well as on your pc’s or laptops is now available. Some of you may want to subscribe to our RSS feed and get the magazine “hot off the press”.

**PLEASE continue** to send pictures and articles of the events and happenings at your clubs. They **will** be published. But, **PLEASE...PLEASE... send ADVANCE NOTICE** of those events and happenings. Why?

Here’s the thing. We can help you get the word out about your fundraisers...AND about the wonderful things you do to help your communities, the states of Texas and Oklahoma and the lives you touch world-wide. We are now placing this magazine on the internet in a place that it can be picked up and read by many people who are not “yet” Kiwanians.

When you write a press release for your club...Ki-notes needs to be copied on that. When you write a newsletter or bulletin for your club... Ki-notes needs to be copied on that. ( yes every one of them! And thank you Les Minear for your devotion to Division 1 and in always copying Ki-notes). Send articles daily if you want to...actually, it would be appreciated it as it makes it easier to prepare the publication.

If you have a story to tell....something you feel needs to be said please write it down and send it in. We need to tell our story. We need to let our communities know that we CARE and we are THERE with the resources and the hands and the hearts to make a difference.

We want to feature an article in each issue on a project or event that is unique in the district. Please start now submitting articles about what your club does that makes you proud. Maybe it is a project that your club has been doing for so long that no one even remembers how it got started. Maybe it is a project that got started one day when a club member said “I heard about this family that needs some help”. And it grew to be a project you do annually. Tell that story by writing it down and sending it to us...don’t worry about it being perfect we’ll help you with the editing.

Send pictures, articles, comments to: **WHOA!!!! Another change** ➡ [txokkinotes@gmail.com](mailto:txokkinotes@gmail.com)

For those of you who need deadlines here is info you can use. Here are the deadlines for the rest of 2014:

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May 1, 2014

April 1, 2014

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July 1, 2014

June 1, 2014

September - October

September 1, 2014

August 1, 2014

November - December

November 1, 2014

October 1, 2014





# EMPOWERING THE CHILDREN

How often do we bend down to make eye contact with a child and ask “What do you want to be when you grow up”? Sometimes surprised by the answer, sometimes not, we find ourselves nodding and smiling brightly as we say, “that’s wonderful” or “I bet you will”. And then we walk away and go on with our lives. That’s the way it’s done *unless* you are a Kiwanian.



Empowering children to live their dreams is almost a mantra in the Kiwanis community. If your community has a Kiwanis club then it is more than likely that elementary age children in your school system are being rewarded for bringing up their grades. Called the BUG program, local Kiwanis Clubs serve certificates of achievement along with pizza parties that honor students who have shown improvement in any subject over the last semester. When students are empowered to participate in their own academic success they build self-confidence, perseverance and character. They attain important life skills known as developmental assets, that help them make smart choices. The more developmental assets a student attains the less likely he or she is to participate in risky behavior and the more likely he or she is to succeed.

A small step but in many a young child’s life, if a Kiwanis club wasn’t serving pizza there would be no one in their life saying “I’m proud of you, today you are special”.

Service Leadership Programs known as SLP’s by Kiwanians are a huge focus of clubs worldwide. From the elementary school level of K-Kids to the college age Circle K, service to community is the vehicle used to teach leadership skills that will last a lifetime.

Mozelle Brown Elementary School of Whitehouse, TX formed a K-Kids club just this year. When the kids were told they needed to come up with a service project they came up with a great idea. They wanted to gather donations of pet food so that “no one’s pet would be hungry.” Gather up pet food they did. These children’s leadership skills and passion for a cause went into overdrive. Over 500 lbs of pet food was gathered. The K-Kids themselves loaded all of the donations into the local food pantry’s van. The pets of Whitehouse, Tx. had a holiday season like no other.



Builders Club designed for middle school students and Key Club for those in high school round out the SLP's. Amazingly Key Club is the oldest and largest service organization for high school students in the world. It has more than 250,000 members in 5,000 clubs in 30 countries.

Apart from the SLP's Kiwanians work hard daily to help children. In Round Rock, Texas the community saw a need for a park where any child would be able to play. No disability would keep a child from enjoying a day of warm sunshine and the thrill of playground equipment. It took a lot of community organizations to make it happen. The Kiwanis Club of Round Rock made a commitment and raised thousands of dollars to help make the [Play for All Abilities Park](#) a reality.



Hubbard Middle School Builder's club cleaned up their campus



The children who attend Tyler Day Nursery in Tyler, Tx come from very low income and poverty level families. The nursery is funded by donations and parents are charged tuition on a sliding scale based on income. It is the oldest licensed non-profit day care program in the state of Texas. Many of the children are in the foster care program. The Tyler-Rose City Kiwanis Club takes care of Christmas at the nursery. Each year a committee of Kiwanians obtain a current list of ages and genders enrolled and a shopping spree ensues early on black Friday. Toys & books placed in individualized Christmas bags fill a SUV that follows Santa (who magically appears each year) to the auditorium stage where every child from infant through pre-k are invited to sit on Santa's lap and tell him his/her secret wishes and then given a gift from Santa. For some of the children this is the only time they will see Santa. It is the only gift they will receive.

Fishing derbies, triathlons, providing books to children, the list of projects that Kiwanians perform in their efforts to help empower children is endless. Kiwanis International is an organization that believes in making the world a better place one child, and one community at a time. They rarely see a news headline about their efforts. This is because their work is slow but steady. There are many children and relatively few Kiwanians. Find a club near you and be a part of the solution. A child somewhere needs you.

Visit [www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanis](http://www.kiwanisone.org/kiwanis) to find a club near you.



**The day  
your club's impact goes global**

On April 5, the worldwide Kiwanis family will join in a day of service. Be part of the Kiwanis family's worldwide impact. Enter your project in the Kiwanis One Day contest at [www.KiwanisOne.org/oneday](http://www.KiwanisOne.org/oneday) and share your One Day story.



# Just the facts

## Motto

Serving the children  
of the world

## Membership

582,272 adult and  
youth members  
232,976 adult members  
349,296 youth members

## Clubs

8,344 adult clubs  
7,903 youth clubs

## Professional staff

115

## Service

Each year, Kiwanis clubs:

- Sponsor nearly 150,000 service projects
- Raise more than US\$100 million
- Devote more than 6 million hours to service

## Locations

More than 80 nations  
and geographic areas

## Established

1915

## Web site

[www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)

NOTE: Some numbers are rounded.

**Kiwanis International** is a global organization of members dedicated to serving the children of the world. Kiwanis and its family of clubs—nearly 600,000 members strong—annually raise more than US\$100 million and dedicate more than 18 million volunteer hours to strengthen communities and serve children. Members of every age attend regular meetings, experience fellowship, raise funds for various causes and participate in service projects that help their communities. Members also make an impact throughout the world by participating in Kiwanis International's Global Campaign for Children, The Eliminate Project: Kiwanis eliminating maternal and neonatal tetanus.

## Adults

Kiwanis International offers three clubs for adults: Kiwanis, Aktion Club and Circle K International. Kiwanis clubs serve their communities by sponsoring 150,000 service projects each year. Aktion Club is the only community service club for adults living with disabilities. It provides members opportunities to become integrated into their communities while developing initiative and leadership skills. CKI is a university service organization with clubs on nearly 500 campuses.

## Youth

Key Club, the oldest and largest service organization for teens, teaches leadership through service to others. Builders Club for adolescents provides students with opportunities to develop leadership, improve self-esteem, increase civic engagement and learn life skills through service. Kiwanis Kids for elementary students provides students with opportunities to work together on service projects, develop leadership potential and create strong moral character.

## Programs

Terrific Kids and Bring Up Grades, both for students age 6–12, teach children to plan, set goals, work with others and celebrate success. Key Leader is a weekend leadership retreat for teens.

## The Eliminate Project

The Eliminate Project, Kiwanis International's Global Campaign for Children, will save or protect millions of mothers and their future babies. In partnership with UNICEF, Kiwanis is eliminating MNT, a disease that kills one baby every nine minutes, by immunizing women of child bearing age. UNICEF and its partners have already eliminated MNT in more than 30 countries, and Kiwanis' pledge to raise US\$110 million will help fund the elimination of the disease in the countries that remain at risk.



**Kiwanis**

# Kiwanis statistics **582,272 adult and youth members**

## Adult clubs



MEMBERS	CLUBS	NATIONS	AUDIENCE
207,790	7,427	80	Adults



11,930	490	8	Adults with disabilities
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13,256	427	19	College and university students
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## Youth clubs



MEMBERS	CLUBS	NATIONS	AUDIENCE
264,636	5,081	31	High school students age 14–18



46,740	1,558	18	Middle school students age 11–14
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37,920	1,264	8	Elementary school students age 6–12
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## Programs



Academic achievement and character development recognition programs for students age 6–12



## Foundation



The fundraising and grant-giving arm of Kiwanis International, which secures charitable gifts to advance Kiwanis' mission



Kiwanis' global campaign to raise US\$110 million and eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus



A weekend leadership retreat for teens age 14–18



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# MUSICAL REVIEW

## BENEFITS

## ELIMINATE PROJECT

Through our sponsorship of an Aktion Club, Kiwanis of Robson Ranch helps adults with severe disabilities acquire leadership skills while giving service to the community. The global Aktion Club has more than 400 clubs in eight nations. It is the fastest-growing program within Kiwanis International. Aktion Club originated in Florida in 1987 and was adopted as an official sponsored program of Kiwanis International in 2000.

Robson Kiwanis member Brenda Jones chairs the service project that supports the Working Hands Aktion Club at the Denton State Supported Living Center (DSSLC). She and her husband, Gerald Jones, work cooperatively with the Center's staff to provide members with various opportunities to give back to their community. The residents work hard during the week to help defray some of their living expenses but find time during their off hours to give back to their community.

The Aktion Club put on a Musical Review at the DSSLC facility on November 14 with proceeds going to benefit the Kiwanis Eliminate Project. The Eliminate program's mission is to eliminate a highly preventable disease, neonatal tetanus, which is still highly prevalent in the world's poorest regions. Just \$1.80 protects a woman and all her future children.

The Musical Review included numerous musical performances by very talented community volunteers. Audience participation included rousing renditions of "He's got the whole world in His hands" and "God bless America" followed by the Aktion Club presenting "Cough Pillows" for patients with abdominal surgery at Presbyterian Hospital.

The evening served to reinforce that when you give an adult with disabilities a chance to learn, experience, dream and succeed, great things happen!

This sponsorship and interaction with the Aktion Club represents just the tip of the iceberg of the various service projects undertaken by the Kiwanis Club of Robson Ranch. Check us out at [kiwanisrobsonranch.t15.org](http://kiwanisrobsonranch.t15.org) or drop by one of our meetings in the Clubhouse. We meet every first and third Friday with socializing at 8:30 a.m. Our programs start at 9:00 a.m.





# FIRST LADY'S PROJECT BENEFITS ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

In 1962 Danny Thomas had a dream. Remarkable things have happened. The overall cure rate for childhood cancer and other life threatening children's diseases has gone from less than 5% to over 80%. One day, we will reach the day that Danny dreamed of all those years ago; the day when no child will die in the dawn of life.

Our clubs in the Texas-Oklahoma District now have the opportunity to help in several ways.

- A club gift of \$500 will provide a supply of oxygen for a child for a day. Your club will receive a St. Jude banner patch with a chevron and rainbow acknowledging your gift.
- A Club gift of \$250 will provide one blood transfusion or infant care supplies for 15 infants. Your club will receive a banner patch (no chevron) for this gift.
- An individual gift will be recognized with a St. Jude pin and bracelet.

(checks should be made out to "St. Jude Children's Research Hospital". Please mail all donations to Texas-Oklahoma District of Kiwanis, 3010 W. Park Row Drive, Suite 100, Pantego, TX 76013. (All donations are tax deductible.) The District Treasurer will log all checks and give credit where it is due and pass the checks on to St. Jude.

*Another* very special way to help is to become a Partner in Hope. By committing to a \$25.00 per month gift to be debited from either your checking account or credit card account, you will be helping St. Jude on a long term basis.

Please go to [www.stjude.org/kiwanis-txok](http://www.stjude.org/kiwanis-txok) and sign up today. St Jude will be tracking our Kiwanians who give in this manner and those individuals will receive special recognition at the end of this Kiwanis year.

There are many opportunities for K-Kids, Builders, Key Club and CKI to help with this project:

**\*Up til Dawn** - Team fundraising event where students ask friends and family to support them as they compete in an all-night challenge.

**\*Rally against Childhood Cancer** - Unite students, faculty and sponsors under one cause.

**\*Math-a-thon** - Includes a math supplement for grades K-8 that students complete while raising funds for St. Jude.

**\*Other events** that you might consider worthwhile for your groups - car washes, bake sales.

Be creative. Use your imagination.

**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!**





# Let the world know



Think about what you love about your Kiwanis club. Then think about what could happen if you told your friends, family and fellow community members. After all, there's nothing like a love that makes the world better. **So why not let the world know?**

Get inspired. Check out the new video

[www.kiwanis.org/lovemyclub](http://www.kiwanis.org/lovemyclub)





# **WE WANT YOU!**

**JOIN THE  
CAMPAIGN  
FOR GROWTH  
AND  
HELP US GROW  
THIS DISTRICT!**

**DO YOU WANT FLEXIBLE HOURS?  
DO YOU WANT TRAVEL?  
DO YOU WANT TO MEET NEW PEOPLE?  
DO YOU WANT TO JOIN ONE OF THE BEST TEAMS IN THIS DISTRICT?**

**WELL THEN, YOU HAVE COME TO THE RIGHT  
PLACE MY FRIEND**

**JOIN US AND OUR CAMPAIGN TEAM TO TELL THE ENTIRE  
WORLD ABOUT WHY WE LOVE OUR CLUB AND  
KIWANIS!!!**

**CONTACT REX HOWARD  
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OR  
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FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**SEE THE DISTRICT  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS  
THE EXCITEMENT NEVER ENDS!!!**





# 2012-13 KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

## DISTINGUISHED KIWANIAN AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The 2012-13 Kiwanis International Distinguished Kiwanian Award will be granted to a member in good standing who:

- ◆ Sponsors two (2) members
- ◆ Participated in one Kiwanis branded Service Leadership project or activity
- ◆ Participates in one service project involving the health, education, or safety of young children in their developing years
- ◆ As soon as the application form is approved, award recipients will receive a letter and “special gift” from the 2012-13 President of Kiwanis International along with a Distinguished Member pin and certificate

### 2012 - 2013 Distinguished Members

### Tx - Ok District

Division		Club Name	Distinguished Member
1	Cleburne		Herman Gatewood, Jr.
2	Allen		Shawn D. Wade
13	De Kalb		Marilyn Barron
5	San Antonio Army Residence Community Golden K		Forest L. Little
5	San Antonio Army Residence Community Golden K		Kenneth E. Dye
5	San Antonio Army Residence Community Golden K		Charlet Long Little
8	Denton		Salty Rishel
8	Denton, Breakfast, Denton		Sandra Meurer
9	College Station		Glenn Duhon
13	De Kalb		Marilyn Barron
32	Paris		John W. Williams
34	Mineola		Sam J. Curry
35	Abilene		Jamie Breed
35	Abilene		Christine Curtis-Carr

**Congratulations to all!**

# Key Leader Registration is OPEN!

## 2014 Key Leader Registration is Open

2014 Key Leader registration is open. Log onto <http://key-leader.org>, click on "register" and follow the prompts. All registrations are online. There is no mail-in or fax registration.

One Texas-Oklahoma 2014 Key Leader weekend is left:

- March 28-30 at YMCA Camp Classen near Davis, Oklahoma

The following information is essential to completing registration and obtaining the appropriate scholarships and invoice reductions. On the payment settlement page at the end of the registration pages, enter the following "coupon codes" and click on "redeem." Invoices will be reduced by the appropriate amounts.

- All students except student facilitators: **kleader** lower case, no spaces  
\$35 scholarship from Texas-Oklahoma Foundation
- Student facilitator applicants: **kleadersf** lower case, no spaces  
\$30 scholarship from Texas-Oklahoma Foundation
- All Key Club members: check membership box on screen
- Chaperones: (must be over 21) **Key Leader** case sensitive & a space between words  
Will return a "no charge" invoice for adults  
**Key Leader background check required.**

For Key Leader events in 2014, late registration fees, \$25, will be charged starting one week prior to the event, instead of the traditional two weeks. There will be no forgiveness on the late charges. Late charges will begin at the end of the following days:

- Camp Classen March 21

It is essential that all registrations include a valid e-mail address for the participant and the sponsor. Invoices will be sent to each of these addresses. Each registrant and sponsor will receive an e-mail that includes an invoice, a community values agreement (rules of the camp), a medical history form, and list of items, toiletries, linens, etc. that each participant must bring.

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# ERBY EIKNER ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR GOVERNOR-ELECT

I would appreciate your vote for 2014-2015 Governor-Elect.  
As Governor my emphasis will be on growth.

## 1 - 2 - 3 Let's Grow !

1 - Grow Membership

2 - Grow SLP's

3 - Grow Service

Contact information:

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I have been married to Francine for 43 years. We have two children and five grandchildren. I attended public school in Tyler, Texas. I then attended Tyler Junior College and Stephen F. Austin State College where I received a business degree. I am currently employed as business manager at Maddox Residential & Commercial Services. I have served on the Board of Directors of Camp Tyler Foundation for 13 years and as President for four of those years.

### My Kiwanis Experience (as a member and leader)

Joined the Tyler Kiwanis Club in 1983

Current member of the Tyler-Rose City Kiwanis Club

#### Club Experience (current and past)

Two terms as President of the Tyler Kiwanis Club

Distinguished Secretary

Treasurer

Board of Directors of Club

Chairman of annual fundraiser - Tyler-Rose City Kiwanis Turkey Shoot

Chair of Club BUG Program

### Division Experience

Lt. Governor-Division 34 1997 - 1998

Chair of Division 34 PLGA

Division convention committee for T/O Dist. Convention in Tyler

#### District Experience

Chair positions held:

Young Children Priority One,

Children's Miracle Network

Inter-clubs

Served on the Board and as Treasurer of District PLGA

Two terms - Texas-Oklahoma District Foundation Board (two years as secretary)

Served one term - District Long Range Planning Committee & one year as Chair

### Kiwanis Honors & Awards

Life membership Texas Oklahoma District

Life member of Past Lt. Governors Association

George F. Hixson Fellow

C. T. Bush recipient

Walter Zeller Fellow - Diamond level

Brick participant for "Own Your Future" project at District Office





# Heisman Trophy Helmet

This helmet was signed in  
by 28 Heisman Trophy  
Winners from 1935-1995  
and can be yours.

#46 of 500 signed

## Signed by;

- |      |                            |
|------|----------------------------|
| 1935 | Jay Berwanger<br>Chicago   |
| 1946 | Glenn Davis<br>Army        |
| 1988 | Billy Sims<br>Oklahoma     |
| 1995 | Eddie George<br>Ohio State |

1995



## All Proceeds to Eliminate

Our donor of this helmet purchased it for \$1500.00 in the late 90's from a national children's benefit. He has kept in a glass case since then. The donor gave it to the Kiwanis Club of Midwest, Oklahoma with promise that all the proceeds will go to the Eliminate Project. The Midwest City Club is selling tickets for \$10.00 each and will only sell 5000 tickets in hopes of raising \$50,000.00 to present to the Eliminate Project on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014 at the Texas-Oklahoma 2014 Convention in Midwest City, Oklahoma.

You can purchase tickets by mail by sending your request and check to the Kiwanis Club of MWC, Ok. at P.O. Box 50254, MWC, Ok. 73140

Please add S & H, if you are requesting 10 or more add \$1.70



Helmet #200 sold on e-bay for over \$2500.00

# CLUB NEWS



## HOLLY LAKE RANCH KIWANIS CLUB NEWS

Check out our Club sign at the Holly Lake Airport!!! Pictured are members of the Club: Willie Smith, Cyndy Hernandez, Dee Givens, Tommy Coleman, Tina Kent Beall, Annelon Fitzgerald, Judy Guillot, Jerry Fitzgerald, Tom Lewis, Drew Beams, Danny Dorsey, Evie Murfin and Al Murfin.

## MCLOUD KIWANIS CLUB

Dan O'Neil, Lt Gov Div 40 presents the 2014 Sophomore of the Year Scholarship plaque to McCloud Kiwanis Club President Brad Mauldin. Abbie Idleman, a sophomore at McCloud High School was one of 24 winners at the TX-OK Mid-Winter Conference in Dallas, Texas. Abbie was the first ever Sophomore of the Year winner for a student as McCloud High School.



## LUBBOCK KIWANIS

Senator Robert Duncan addressed members of the Lubbock Kiwanis Club on key issues facing the Texas leadership in the coming years. As chairman of the State Affairs Committee has stressed the water needs for Texas and how aggressive Texans must be in securing water for the state's continuing population growth. He

addressed how a limited amount of the "rainy day fund" as it's called was approved by voters to be used for water issues over the next 5-10 years. The Senator was presented with an American flag as a gift for his comments to the Lubbock Kiwanis Club. The flags are given as a reminder of the flag program that the club has a fund raiser for various non-profits in the community. The wooden stand is made by a Kiwanis member with a Kiwanis plaque attached to the front.





# LAKE GRANBURY KIWANIS HONOR SUPER CITIZENS



**Acton Elementary School**



**Baccus Elementary School**



**Brawner Intermediate**



**Lipan Elementary School**



**Mambrino School**



**Oak Woods School**



**Tolar Elementary**

The Lake Granbury Kiwanis Club honored several Hood County fourth and fifth graders as Super Citizens during a luncheon on December 5, 2013, at Granbury Masonic Lodge No. 392. The community service organization recognizes two fourth graders and two fifth graders several times during the school year. The students are nominated by their teachers for good citizenship.

Students honored were:

- Acton Elementary School – Eli Patton, Caroline Rezsofi, Jesus Urquiza, Elena Velasquez
- Baccus Elementary School – Jadee Drum, Danny Moore Jr., Ryver Weger
- Brawner Intermediate School – Kiersen Bailey, Hunter Bright, Jonathan Dominguez, Lillian Rubio
- Lipan Elementary School – Tate Branson, Harley Martin, C.J. McCormick, Hayden Shockley
- Mambrino School – Blaize Cross, Jacqueline Gutierrez, Jonah Martin, Arabella Platz
- Oak Woods School – Adam Baker, Ethan Clinkscale, Jake Greene, Aislyn Hagar
- Tolar Elementary School – Mallory Boyden, Cutter Gray, Lily Litchfield, Kobe Parker

School administrators introduced their students and read the nomination letters submitted by counselor Jill Jernigan, Baccus principal Leslie Tewell, Brawner counselor Mary Stennett, Lipan assistant principal Anita Brian, Mambrino principal Dana Goode, Oak Woods principal Donnie Cody, and Tolar principal Kristen Carey. Congratulating the students was Lake Granbury Kiwanis Club president Martha Pyron.

In addition to Super Citizens, the Kiwanis Club recognizes many elementary school students through the Terrific Kids program and K-Kids clubs. Members also sponsor a Key Club at Granbury High School.





## MID-WINTER CONFERENCE REPORT

With only 17 month left until the Kiwanis International Convention in Indianapolis, the Texas-Oklahoma District is gearing up to successfully reach its \$5 million goal with The Eliminate Project. Protecting the lives of nearly 2.8 million women and their future babies is our incentive for making this happen.

District Coordinator Francine Eikner met with the Multi-Division Coordinators on Sunday morning to discuss the strategy for moving forward with the campaign. Plans are in place to meet with Division Coordinators and Club Coordinators in an effort to involve every club and every Kiwanian.

Securing Model Club commitments and Lead and Major Gift donors is critical to our success. This is our chance to leave a legacy that will change the course of history.

### ZELLER FELLOWSHIP

\$2,500 in matching funds was made available to donors towards a special Mid-Winter Conference Zeller.

Ten Kiwanians quickly took advantage of the offer, and we were able to raise nearly \$10,000. There are new Zeller Fellow in Kiwanis Clubs of Nacogdoches, McKinney, Pawhuska, Allen, Lawton and San Gabriel Georgetown. CONGRATULATIONS!



### MADAGASCAR SITE VISIT



Greg Beard, Co-chair for KI Lead and Major Gifts for The Eliminate Project, shared his amazing journey to a UNICEF clinic in Madagascar. His presentation gave us a first hand look at the challenge of reaching remote areas in the world, and the amazing commitment of UNICEF workers in the field to provide immunizations to every woman of child-bearing age.

## Need ideas for raising funds for Eliminate?

Here are some simple and fun ways to save a child's life.

Pass around some baby bottles for members to take home and fill up with change. You'd be surprised how quickly it adds up. Bring a "white elephant" gift from home and auction it off to the highest bidder. Raffle off a mystery gift for \$1 per chance. Collect "happy dollars" once a month for The Eliminate Project. There are lots of ways to raise money that doesn't require a lot of manpower.

Visit [www.TheEliminateProject.org](http://www.TheEliminateProject.org) to learn more about the project. Feel free to call me if you have any questions.

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**TX-OK DISTRICT GOAL**

**\$5,000,000**

**TEXAS-OKLAHOMA DISTRICT MODEL CLUBS AS OF JANUARY 16, 2014**

(pledges and monies raised to date **\$1,671,416.18**)

**Division 1**

Fort Worth Southwest

**Division 2**

Allen

McKinney

Terrell

**Division 3**

Kingwood

Greater North Houston

**Division 4**

**Division 5**

Alamo San Antonio

Bandera County

San Antonio Army Residence Community

Northeast San Antonio

New Braunfels

San Antonio Bexar

**Division 6**

**Division 7**

**Division 8**

Denton Breakfast

**Robson Ranch**

**Division 9**

College Station

The Woodlands/South Montgomery County

Conroe

Market Street, The Woodlands

**Division 10**

**Division 11**

**Division 12**

**Division 13**

Texarkana

**Division 14**

Longview

Nacogdoches

**Division 16**

**Division 17**

**Division 18**

Lawton

**Division 19**

Mayfair, Oklahoma City

**Division 20**

**Division 21**

**Division 22**

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**Division 25**

Pawhuska

**Division 26**

Jacksonville

**Division 28**

Galveston

**Division 30**

**Division 31**

**Division 32**

Paris

Reno

**Division 33**

Borger

**Division 34**

Mineola

Tyler-Rose City

Van

Hide-Away-Lake

Quitman

**Division 35**

**Division 38**

**Division 39**

**Division 40**

Centennial Edmond

Edmond

Jones

# Presidential Zeller Awarded John Nagely



John Nagely received a Presidential Zeller awarded at the Texas Oklahoma Mid-Winter Convention. Pictured are (l to r) Francine Eikner, Texas Oklahoma District Eliminate Coordinator and John Nagely a charter member of Fort Worth Southwest Kiwanis Club.

# Jones OK Kiwanis Honors Past Lt Gov w/ Zeller



Past Lt. Gov. Bud Williams is honored by his club for his service to Kiwanis and the Jones Community. The club selected Bud for the Walter Zeller Fellowship award and Div 40 Lt. Gov. Dan O'Neil made the presentation Jan. 24th at the Kiwanis meeting in Jones, OK. This award and the money raised for vaccines by Jones Kiwanis will help protect 690 mothers in the 3rd world and their unborn babies from tetanus and certain death. Bud was the first Lt. Gov. for Division 40 (1985-86) and continues to make a difference in his community.

# Biggerstaff Receives Zeller

(l-r) Francine Eikner, TX-OK District Coordinator for the Eliminate Project presents Allen Kiwanis Club member Doug Biggerstaff with a Zeller Award at the Mid-Winter Conference.



The Zeller Medallions received on this page alone represent Two Thousand and Eighty-Three mothers and babies lives saved. A good day's work for these clubs !

Don't forget that Mother's Day is coming. Once again the special Mother's Day Zeller is being offered. Honor the woman in your life with the special award. Order thru your club coordinator or call or email Francine Eikner now to have the medallion by Mother's day.

Francine Eikner can be reached at [feikner@att.net](mailto:feikner@att.net) or 903.595-1789



# Children's Village Offers More Than Medicine to Children of Oklahoma



The Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City was the meeting site for the February Division 40 DCM. Dr. Robert Welliver from the Hospital Staff led a tour for Division 40 Kiwanians from Guthrie, Midwest City, Choctaw, Edmond, McLoud and Nicoma Park Kiwanis Clubs through the Children's Village @ the Oklahoma University Children's Hospital.

In September 2012, University Hospitals Authority & Trust opened the new Children's Village. The 10,000 sq ft, rooftop garden sits between the Children's Atrium and The Children's Hospital at OU Medical Center. Inspired by illustrations found within children's books, designers have created in the Children's Village an environment where children's imaginations can whisk them away from the realities of the hospital or doctor's office. It features a stylized cityscape with shops and stands for pretend play, an open area with stage for small gatherings ideally suited for storytelling, playful seating, whimsical garden spaces and even a fantastical water feature.



Incoming Division 40 Lt. Gov. Eric Ferguson, who works for the Children Hospital complex answers questions from Kiwanians.

# T-O CKI SEEKING GREAT



## KIWANIS VOLUNTEERS

By Carol Clyde, 2014-2015 CKI Administrator

My Junior year in college I had the opportunity to work with CKI leaders in Texas-Oklahoma and can honestly say that some of my best memories of the organization involve this district and the life-long friends that I made here. Coming back to work with the District many years later has felt quite a bit like coming "home" to some of my CKI roots.

As T-O CKI prepares for our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (March 7-9 in Rockwall, TX), the time is right for Kiwanians to consider opportunities to support our amazing collegians in their efforts. Did you know that T-O CKI was the first District to be recognized by the organization? Did you know that T-O is one of the largest districts in all of CKI in terms of both geography and membership? We are looking for some great Kiwanians to help us support the next generation of leaders.



***Our GREATEST NEED is for a Financial Administrator!*** We are desperately in need of a Financial Administrator to work with the District Treasurer in oversight of financial matters. The financial Administrator is responsible for financial oversight of the CKI district board including budget development and expense review. Can also be expanded to include responsible use of large surplus from events and long term financial planning for large purchases as needed. Requires attendance and participation at Board training, Fall Retreat and District Convention and ideally would be able to attend T-O CKI Board Meetings (5 annually).

Additional opportunities include:

1. FLIP/New member development: Responsible for annual FLIP/Key Club recruitment program and supporting Membership Development programs. Virtual position that does not require attendance at events beyond annual Key Club convention.
2. Website and Technology: Responsible for supporting and/or maintaining website for CKI district and supporting A/V needs at District Convention. Virtual position that does not require attendance at events other than DCON.
3. Laws & Regulations Support: Serves as the point person for the Laws and Regulations Committee and is responsible for parliamentary duties at District Convention. Virtual position that does not require attendance at events other than DCON.

Club Building: Serves as the point person to help clubs navigate the chartering process. Supports Lt. Governors in reaching out to campuses, collects charter materials for review before sending to International. Virtual position that may involve travel to campuses as needed.

Email: [admincarol@txokcki.org](mailto:admincarol@txokcki.org)





Governor Bill and First Lady Carol present a "well deserved" thanks to Laura Lammons (above) and to Marellie Robinson (left) at Mid-Winter Conference in Dallas



Marellie and Laura are already hard on work on the NEXT Conference. Mid-West City, Oklahoma is hosting the 96th District Convention this August. Start blocking the dates August 7 - 10. There is so much to do in Oklahoma.

Our next issue will have a lot more on this. Be prepared to bring the whole family and add a couple of days to enjoy the great state of Oklahoma!



# PLGA Award Recipients at Mid-Winter









## **Gone But Not Forgotten**



Arthur D. "Art" Swanberg

1922 - 2014

Past Kiwanis Int'l President 1993-1994

Past Texas-Oklahoma Kiwanis Governor 1980-1981

49 year Kiwanian from Dallas, TX

Click [here](#) for obituary



Dean Samuel

1922 - 2014

Past Lt. Governor

Division 8 1972-1972

50 year Kiwanian from Durant, OK

Click [here](#) for obituary





## Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendar!

### 2014

Mar	6 - 9	CKI District Convention @ Hilton Bella Harbor, Rockwall, TX
Apr	24 - 27	Key Club District Convention @ Sheraton - Dallas
May	16 - 18	Lt. Governor Training @ DFW Airport Marriott
Jul	2 - 6	Key Club Int'l Convention - Anaheim Marriott, Anaheim, CA
Jul	17 - 20	Kiwanis Int'l Convention - Chiba, Japan <a href="http://www.kiwanis.org/convention/2014">www.kiwanis.org/convention/2014</a>
Jul	25 - 27	Key Club Summer Board Mtg @ DFW Airport Marriott
Aug	7 - 10	96th Annual Kiwanis Texas-Oklahoma District Convention - Midwest City, OK
Aug	11 - 13	Governor's Trip - Branson, MO
Oct	31 - Nov 2	K-Family Conference - DFW Airport Marriott



### 2015

Jun	25 - 28	Kiwanis Int'l Convention - Indianapolis, IN - <b>100th Anniversary</b>
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### 2016

Jun	23 - 26	Kiwanis Int'l Convention - Toronto, Ontario, Canada
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The next edition of Ki-Notes will be released the first of May. Please have all submissions turned into the editor by April 1, 2014. Submissions may be emailed to [txokkinotes@gmail.com](mailto:txokkinotes@gmail.com) or mailed to Samantha Bruce, 638 CR 4905, Troup, TX 75789. Questions? Call 903.520.1245.

We are looking for good in depth articles and pictures about projects your club supports. Please share your club's passion for the projects you love most. Help inspire other clubs in the district to follow their passions and help the children all over Texas-Oklahoma.



Check in often at our convention site for upcoming event information!

[www.conventions.txokkiwanis.org](http://www.conventions.txokkiwanis.org)