Newsletter Kitwanis Club of Eye of the Tiger

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Hello Fellow EOT Friends,

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time. Our Eye of the Tiger eKiwanis club plays a vital part in developing membership and leadership. Our focus is on opening new clubs at each Kiwanis International Convention and within our membership districts.

Last year, members of our EOT opened new Kiwanis clubs worldwide, and this year much is the same. As Past International President Jim Rochford has said, the members of this club are poised to help in the opening of 150 Kiwanis clubs now and for years to come. To help grow Kiwanis's membership, I am asking each of you to invite a fellow Kiwanian to visit our EOT club meeting and find out what we all know about our club.

This newsletter, our Interclubs, and our Facebook page are all tools to spread the message of our EOT Club, but it's you, our members, that should be persistent in recruiting and expanding our club membership to help with the vision of this club.

Our worldwide Eye of the Tiger eKiwanis club membership enjoys the opportunity like most Kiwanis clubs to meet, perform service projects, and laugh during our meetings. In the next few days, I hope that all of us can keep our fellow Kiwanians in the Ukraine in our thoughts and prayers so they too soon can follow their mission of improving children in their community as they have been doing in the years prior.

The mission of the Eye of the Tiger eKiwanis, I-I, is to increase membership by opening new Kiwanis clubs throughout the world.

Interclub Opportunities March 2022

Fellow Tigers,

Here are more opportunities to inter-club and see what other clubs are doing. Just as it's important to observe, we need to be seen to increase our membership.

Eye of the Tiger E Club Interclub Visits for February 2022
February 1, 2022 eKiwanis Club of Greater Chicago. This club had a lot of energy and is made up of an eclectic mix of ages, genders, occupations, backgrounds, and interests located in the Chicagland Area.

February 3, 2022 Kiwanis Club of Steilacoom in the Pacific Northwest District. This is a very robust club. The program presented focused on past and current events in Ukraine.

February 6, 2022 Pennsylvania eKiwanis 2.0 Club. The club hosted a very interesting forum featuring questions for the four 2022 Kiwanis International Trustee Candidates to be elected in Indianapolis in June of 2022.

February 7, 2022 LAMISSTENN eClub . This club is a fun and enthusiastic group that gets a lot done. The guest speaker for the day was Key Club International President Salma Eldeeb.

February 16, 2022 Kiwanis Club of Northeast Miami Dade Florida. This was the home club of Past Kiwanis International President Dr Will Blechman. The program centered on service leadership programs, early childhood intervention, and membership.

Upcoming Interclub Opportunities (times and links to come)
February 24, 2022 Westfield, Massachusetts, home club of KI International VP Candidate George Delisle

March 3, 2022 11:00 AM CST Kiwanis Club of Indianapolis, Indiana

March 6, 2022 6:00 PM CST Pennsylvania eKiwanis 2.0, forum for KI VP Candidates

March 15, 2022 7:00 AM CST Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, home club of KI International VP Candidate Lee Kuan Yong https://www.facebook.com/KiwanisTiger

Yours in service, Laura Grace Gilliland Please Contact me for the Zoom link if you'd like to join us: Lauragracegilliland@gmail.com

Jim's Gems

Is your club thinking about holding a membership event?

Former Key Clubbers and past Circle K members make the best ambassadors!
Prospective members will hear straight from the source about how the Kiwanis family has changed their lives and made a powerful impact.



If parents have children in Key Club or Circle K or children who want to join, that is the perfect time for them to become Kiwanians. They will see the big picture.

Reach out to our new club opening chairs, Barb Thompson at <u>barbthompson4kiwanis@gmail.com</u> or Mary Jo Brubaker at <u>mbrubaker@skybest.com</u>, to join our new club opening effort.

We need you!



Larry Memmer / March 3rd Barbara Breuer / March 7th William Seeman / March 18th

Next **EOT** Membership Meeting:

Join us for our Eye of the Tiger Meeting on March 17th 8 pm EST, 7 pm CST, 6 pm MST, 5 pm PST, Malaysia and Philippines, 9 am Friday, March 18th Our guest speaker will be expert club opener, Jay Hubbard. Governor Taka Ogata of the Kiwanis District of Indiana will be on hand to discuss our club opening efforts at KI DCON.





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Jay Hubbard

Alan Guire will send out Zoom link prior to meeting, if you don't receive his email, contact Alan: Alan Guire: aguire@portnaz.org





REGISTRATION OPEN FROM MARCH 15 - MAY 1. HEALTH PROTOCOLS

Kiwanis International adheres to all CDC guidelines and follows all state and local laws and regulations. Fully vaccinated individuals can attend the 2022 Kiwanis



International Convention without wearing masks or observing any social distancing requirements. Those who are not fully vaccinated must wear a mask and observe social distancing at indoor venues.

https://www.kiwanis.org/convention/2022





Pet of The Month

Buddy, Male Yorkie, Yorkshire Terrier. 5 Years old. Rescued and adopted by EOT member Jeanette Igoe at 1.5 years old. Buddy loves children and a great protector of his home. Irish by adoption! Happy St. Patty's Day.

Send a photo of your pet for our next issue.

What is your favorite pet? Dog, Cat, Bird, Iguana, Snake or Japanese Beetle? Send us your photo and lets have some fun.

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Meet The Trustee Candidates

Introducing the US and Pacific Canada Trustee Candidates for Kiwanis International

Those who attended our interclub with the Pennsylvania eKiwanis 2.0 on February 6th had a wonderful opportunity to meet the US and Pacific Canada trustee candidates for Kiwanis International.

In case you missed it – here is some information about the candidates. Watch your emails for more details on our upcoming interclub on March 6th with Pennsylvania eKiwanis 2.0 for a chance to meet the candidates for international vice president.



GARY JANDER San Diego, California, USA CALIFORNIA-NEVADA-HAWAII DISTRICT Kiwanis Club of Kiwanis Youth Development and Support Club of San Diego (KYDS)

Gary owns a nationally ranked law firm and is a nationally recognized preeminent probate attorney. He is a leader in the legal community, serving as a protem superior court judge. He founded a California probate practice bar that is considered a model association. He is married and has two adult children: Racheal, who is finishing medical school, and Timothy, an Army veteran in college.

Gary believes Kiwanis needs individuals with proven leadership skills to step up. He has served as a distinguished governor in the California-Nevada-Hawaii District. As governor, he inspired the CNH District Kiwanis family to perform more than 1 million service hours collectively. Kiwanis leaders must focus on Kiwanis's core mission of equipping its members to serve the children of the world best.

Gary has served as a distinguished governor, his district has endorsed him, and he meets the requirements outlined in the bylaws. He has led his district at every level and taught principles of servant leadership for more than a decade. He believes Kiwanis International officers must serve the organization first, and its members are the primary objective of that service.

Gary hope's to move Kiwanis forward by collaborating with his fellow trustees on proper governance. This is a challenging time for Kiwanis in a world that is leaving us behind. We need to have civil discussions about the best way to adapt to serve the children of the world better. He wants the organization to become more focused on serving one world with one mission.

Gary is a collaborator and a servant leader and is well trained in organizational compliance and governance. He believes that he will bring a strong presence and accountability to the board that will inspire his fellow members to focus on our core mission of service to the children of the world.



JACKIE SUE MCFARLIN Othello, Washington, USA PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT Kiwanis Club of Cascadia Kiwanis Club of 25+ Kiwanians Who Care - PNW

Jackie loves Kiwanis! Ever since joining so many years ago, she has met impressive fellow Kiwanians, has been allowed to make a difference in every community she has lived and in children's lives. She believes there is no greater gift than Kiwanis. She would like to continue this journey and do her part to ensure the Kiwanis organization remains relevant, impactful and robust in the years to come. Service is her heart and passion! She says that service organizations are suffering in today's world, not just due to the pandemic but because of the change in those around us. We need to remain relevant, impactful, and strong. She wants to do her part to help Kiwanians continue to have the means of performing service and making a difference in every way possible.

Jackie wants to ensure club strengthening efforts continue. She also aims to look outside the box when opening new clubs (different formats and focus). She understands that Kiwanis must remain financially strong to survive the ever-changing world.

Jackie feels her best qualities are her strong ethical and moral strength due to her law enforcement career and her current occupation in the insurance field. She strives to understand the why (five times!) to improve process and production. And, for the sake of repeating, her heart and passion for Kiwanis.



RONALD R. HILL Kansas City, Missouri, USA, MISSOURI-ARKANSAS DISTRICT, Kiwanis Club of Conway In 1995, Ron Hill was invited to learn about Kiwanis. He had always been interested in working with kids in his community, and from 1968 until 2021, he ran a baseball and softball program involving more than 1500 kids. He was also a football coach for 51 years

He wanted to be a lieutenant governor and trustee to learn more about the district. After serving in those positions, he decided to run for governor. He won and was impressed with those with whom he had the opportunity to work. Ron served on an education program as governor-elect. With the help of several members, they recreated the Old Kiwanis University for Midwinter. It went over great, and they could get several people to buy in and help.

Being a part of Kiwanis Amplify gave him a chance to work with members from all over the world. They developed a first-class program to help improve members' lives.

He hopes to encourage growth in districts by growing existing clubs and starting new clubs. He hopes to get the Kiwanis name out because of the great things it has done locally and internationally.

Ron says that his greatest strength is enthusiasm. He believes in Kiwanis and understands the more people we ask to join us, the more we can do.



STEVEN R. INGRAM Valparaiso, Indiana, USA INDIANA DISTRICT Kiwanis Club of Valparaiso Kiwanis Club of Highland Steven was raised in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He and his wife lived there until they moved to Valparaiso with their three children in 1987. He and his wife owned an appraisal company that his son and daughter-in-law now own. He is now retired and has four granddaughters.

One of Steven's favorite aspects of being governor was traveling the state, getting to know the many clubs, and discovering unique ways they chose to support their communities. After his term as governor, he knew he wanted to continue to help those clubs. Another aspect of Kiwanis that gives him the most energy and enthusiasm is his work with Key Leader. He leaves these events genuinely inspired by the kids.

Steven has served as club president, lieutenant governor, and governor. His experience outside of Kiwanis includes having owned two successful businesses that dealt with complicated analytics. This knowledge will assist him in a role that requires problem solving and strategy. His work with Key Leader has prepared him to understand the unique needs and desires of the Kiwanis service leadership programs.

Steven hopes to influence as many children and young adults as possible positively. He plans to do this by supporting the service leadership programs with the hope of keeping them vibrant and relevant in today's world.

Steven loves traveling around Indiana, visiting and strengthening the clubs there. He believes extending his perspective will allow him to help in different and better ways. He thinks the best thing Kiwanis does is its service leadership programs, and he wants to ensure that they are a priority in everything Kiwanis does. He says his two strongest traits are being a good listener and following through.

Book Hero Service Project, starting a New Club? Please reach out to Dr. Valarie Brown-Klingelhoefer or Douglas Chadwick... Information on the following Flyer.

Kiwanis **Foundation** of Southern California BE A BOOK HERO SERVICE PROJECT The Kiwanis Literacy Club Foundation partners with Kiwanis Clubs to provide books to kids. The Literacy divide has grown wider during the pandemic. Your club can be part of the solution by providing brand new books to kids in your community. You can sponsor a book for \$2.00 each. A Be A Book Hero Service Project creates an instant service project for your club. To order books and learn more contact Valarie Brown-Klingelhoefer valBK.Kiwanis@gmail.com **Douglas Chadwick** Doug@theliteracyclub.org Text - 818-381-3274

Calendar of Events

MARCH

Mardi Gras

7-11: Aktion Club Week

13: Daylight Savings

15: KI CON Registration opr

17: St. Patrick's Day

17: Kiwanis Club EOT Membersh

20: Spring Equinox (1st day of Spring)

21-25: Builders Club Week



Kiwanis international www.Kiwanis.org President is Peter Mancuso from New York President-Elect is Bert West

from Colorado

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Kiwanis in Ukraine

We are all painfully aware of the situation in Ukraine. Lora Pavlenko, of the Kiwanis Club of Kiev, Ukraine, reached out to many Kiwanis clubs throughout the world for help – including prayers and support.

This paragraph is written in Lora's own words. She sent her message to our president, Joe Meyer, and other Kiwanis clubs just a few short weeks ago before the full-scale invasion began.

My name is Lora. I member of the Kiwanis Club of Kiev, Ukraine. I am next president of the club and responsible for communication and organization of projects. I'm in the club organizes communication, correspondence with members of other clubs. We communicated with some clubs, but due to the latest events of the pandemic, we lost communication. I am honored to do the work for the children in the club. I also really want to set up friendly relations with Kiwanis clubs in other countries. We again entered the strict quarantine zone. Times are tough. Russian troops approached the borders of Ukraine. The war is going on in the east, and now everyone is preparing for a full-scale invasion of Ukraine. Today we received a message about the evacuation of the American Embassy and Consulate from Ukraine. Around the panic, food and medicines have risen in price several times. This is the time we need to stand and do what has called us to do. People need support that will give them hope. Our club have 15 members. They are men and women from 25 to 40 years old. We have many projects for children and teenagers that is devoid of parental love and care. We also have training programs for children. We supervise a crisis center for children. This is briefly about our club. I would be grateful for your response and fellowship. Interested in exchange of innovative ideas, projects. Thank you for your attention. Lora

This was followed by another note from Lora to Joe (in her own words):

Many thanks for the letter, for the love. We again entered the strict quarantine zone. Times are tough. Russian troops approached the borders of Ukraine. The war is going on in the east, and now everyone is preparing for a full-scale invasion of Ukraine.

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We got sick, but it is not the Coronavirus. My dad and mom are in intensive care. Please pray for us, for our ministry, for the church,

prayers and support in everything. We are praying for vou, vour health, for your country. Love you, Lora.

for Ukraine. We need your

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Would you wear the EOT Lanel Pin? This is our upcoming project, **EOT Lapel Pins for the 2022 Year** Of The Tiger. Pin #1 is the Pin that we should develop if we keep branding the same as our Logo, shirts, etc. The second choice: Modified Original Pin #2



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The last report received as of February 27, confirmed that our fellow Kiwanians and their families in Ukraine were in extreme danger. Barbara Breuer communicated with Lora via Facebook message, and to quote Lora, "We already have saboteurs near the house. Shooting from machine guns near the house. We want to live. Lord save us!'

(Note from Barbara: I reached out personally to Lora as I was writing this – the situation in Ukraine has been weighing heavily on my heart)

Please keep our Ukrainian brothers and sisters in our prayers.



SLP Leaders ROAR at our February Meeting!

We welcomed Salma Eldeeb, 2021-2022 Key Club International President from Florida, and Kyle Lank, 2021-2022 Circle K International (CKI) President from Delaware/New Jersey, to our February meeting to share what our SLPs have been doing so far this year. We were excited and thrilled to discover that Key Club and CKI have been as active as ever.



Salma Eldeeb: 2021-2022 Key Club International President from Florida

Key Club started this term with Homecoming – a campaign to welcome Key Clubbers back. They began with Webinars and pushed out resources to students and advisors to help the clubs reactivate. The campaign was a huge success, and Key Club is back to 75% of its pre-pandemic numbers. Key Club currently has 165,000 members and 3,000 active clubs.



On the international level, Key Club has three primary committees:

•Global Relations – strives to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion for all members. They are also working on edits for shortened versions of their guidebooks, introducing a new ICON scholarship, and serving as a liaison for non-district clubs to ensure they have adequate resources.

•Executive – focuses on implementing the strategic plan. Salma, who had worked on the committee for formulating the 2021-2026 plan, outlined its five pillars:

1. Service, 2. Leadership, 3. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, 4. Member Experience, 5. Growth.

-Programs and Partners – promote and encourage Key Club Week as well as Key Clubs work with the Youth Opportunity Fund, Erika's Lighthouse (suicide prevention), College Wise (college admissions and application counseling), Schoolhouse (tutoring). Key Club has also added 40 more courses to the Global Leadership Certificate Program and is always looking for feedback for improvement.

This year, Key Club will hold ICON from July 6 through July 10 in Washington, D.C. It will be the first in-person ICON since 2019, and the theme will be Monumental Service.

Salma was asked what would make Kiwanis more attractive to Key Club members, and her response was to engage with the parents. She also suggested that Kiwanis Clubs reach out to those graduates who have not chosen the four-year college route, for example, those who have set their sights on two-year schools, trade schools, or the military.



Kyle Lank: 2021-2022 Circle K International (CKI) President

As of February 16, 2022, CKI has over 7,000 members and is on pace to have 9,000 by the end of the year. He compared CKI's membership to Greek life – membership numbers are competitive with the top three service-based fraternities and sororities.



CKI is excited to continue its five-year signature project, in partnership with UNICEF, called WASH. WASH is the collective term for Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene. WASH aims to provide education, awareness, and funding to supply clean drinking water and sanitation education to schools and children in underdeveloped regions.

CKI exceeded its goal of raising \$55,555 this year by raising over \$100,000 and, with Key Club's help, has met its obligation to raise \$260,000.

CKI members have completed over 117,000 service hours, which adds up to approximately 30 hours per member. This year, CKI has focused on supporting struggling districts by creating new literature and reaching out to those clubs. CKI started its International Charter Team, which Kyle said he drew his inspiration from our own EOT club. This team sends members to build clubs in new schools.

CKI is working on an alumni association and is taking part in its members' Global Leadership Certification program.

There are bi-monthly roundtable's and Facebook groups for advisors to share information and connect.

CKI has eliminated its charter fee; instead, all on boarding materials are a la carte. It is conducting a launch to recruit Key Clubbers and is holding a Key to College Senior Night in April. CKI is holding a signature project contest similar to the one Kiwanis does.

CKI is focusing on its international presence by starting CKI Around the World – a day in the life of a student from one of the 18 countries that CKI is in is highlighted.

In October 2022, CKI is moving to a new dues structure, which will be per member instead of the base fee per club system which had previously been in place.

The international convention for CKI will be held in Austin, Texas, from July 24th through the 27th. The theme is an exciting one – attendees will be teamed up to complete challenges based on service, leadership, and fellowship in their host city.

When asked how to make Kiwanis attractive to CKI members, Kyle responded by saying the best thing to do is maintain those relationships with CKI members. Kiwanis clubs and CKI clubs can collaborate on service projects and club builds and provide opportunities for college graduates to connect with their hometown's.

Of course, we couldn't resist asking Salma and Kyle to join EOT. Who knows? They may set their sights on us once student life is complete for them.