

Kiwanis Club of Columbia, Missouri



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Ella Vallar Is Remembered



Ella Mae Brown Vallar passed away on April 5, 2008, much too soon. Ella was an inspiration to all who knew her. A teacher by profession and calling, she was forever guiding others. Ella's teaching and other community activities kept her away from many of our club meetings—she

attended mostly in the summer when school was out of session—but she was one of the most energetic and caring people we will ever know. Her funeral service at Missouri United Methodist Church was a most fitting celebration of her special, caring life.

Leigh Britt For Lt. Governor

It comes as no surprise to any who know her that Leigh Britt has agreed to serve as Division 5 Lt. Governor for the 2008-2009 club year. As Lt. Governor she will coordinate officer training this summer, make visits to the twelve clubs that make up the Division, help plan the Governor's visit, and represent the division to the MO ARK District. Leigh anticipates many opportunities for club members to join her and make her visits an interclub!

"I'm honored to be asked to serve in this role and look forward to representing the Columbia club throughout MO ARK," said Leigh. "There are so many great efforts in Division 5. I'm looking forward to the challenges that lie ahead!"

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Priority One

"Bo" Bossaler Joins



"Bo" Bossaler was inducted into membership in the club on April 22 by Sally Robinson. Bo is a Slater, Mo., native who obtained a business degree in marketing from the University of Central Missouri. He worked for H.J. Heinz Company and then entered real estate in Kansas City. After returning to central Missouri and Columbia in 1995, he joined Boone Remax Realty, where he now works. Bo was invited to join the club by our own singing Sinatra, David Melegrito. Bo, welcome to the club.

MAY PROGRAMS

(Jason Simmons, Program Chair)

May 6 - Annual Club Meeting/Election of Officers & Board Members for 2008-09 Club Year

May 13 - Clergy Day. Sister Agnes Schlereth, Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Sacred Heart Ministry.

May 20 - Don Faurot Sportsman of the Year Award

May 27 - Annual Club Picnic at Kiwanis Park. Doug Callahan & Friend, Boy Scouts of America, Great Rivers Council. What BSA is doing & reflections by a Boy Scout



Jim's Thoughts

Yippee!... Yahoo!.... Totally Cool! Leigh Britt has agreed to serve our Division 5 for the next fiscal year as Lieutenant Governor. Thank-you Leigh, for all you continue to do for the children! (Ray Lansford, thank-you for your influence

in getting Leigh to accept this opportunity.) I also have heard from Jason Simmons, our Nominations Committee chair, of some absolutely exceptional Club members who have agreed to serve in key positions for the next year. I won't steal any of Jason's thunder since he and our other committee chairpersons will be reporting to the club regarding their committee's work during the current year, at our annual meeting, on May 6.

For those not participating in Kiwanis One Day, our service project renovating, cleaning, remodeling, building, and painting the Boys and Girls Club on Fay Street earlier this month, was a HUGE, success, by any measure. Our club, I believe, had fourteen members who came and worked. I would like to hear from the more senior members of our Club. When was the last time that the Club had nearly 20% participation from club members on a single day, in a hands-on service project (service project, not fund-raising)? If you recall such a successful service event, mention it at Happy Dollars. I think it would be fun to hear about some of the great service events we have accomplished over the years!

As always, I consider it a great privilege to work with you folks who continue to be "All about helping children."

Best regards, Jim B.

Lansford -- 50 Years For Kiwanis

Our club is blessed in so many ways, not the least of which has been the example set by Dr. Ray Lansford in 50 years of service to Kiwanis! Ray served as club president in 1967 and he just kept going from there, serving in the top job of Kiwanis International President in 1984-85. And he did all this while having a great career teaching in the College of Business at MU. To this day, Ray continues to inspire and, yes, prod us all in service to the children.



Kiwanians As Heroes

The Kiwanis Family was well represented at the HERO Awards on April 29. Pictured are Dylan Conn a member of Hickman Key Club, Travis Donley and Bonnie Appleton from MU Circle K and our own Gary Smith. Dylan received the youth award for volunteering for many organizations, in particular the March of Dimes. Bonnie was nominated for her work as service chair for Circle K and dedication to Special Olympics and Gary was nominated by the United Way for his years of service. Members of our club nominated Key Club and Circle K for their service to the community.



Sarah Extends Her Thanks And An Invitation

Sarah Brockman, past Circle K president, visited our club on April 22 to give a heartfelt "Thanks" to the club and everyone who supported her in the rebuilding of the Circle K club and in her student career at MU. Sarah is graduating this year and also wishes to invite all to an open house on May 17 at 4400 W. Broadway. Stop by and wish Good Luck to Sarah, a great new-generation Kiwanian!





Summary of Minutes of Board Meeting April 15, 2008

Treasurer Dale Metcalf reported that the club accounts are well within the budget plan. Club net worth stands at \$5,233.16. The

Foundation net worth at the end of the period is \$169,250.75. Income from concessions is on pace and doing well year-to-date.

Memorial Trust Fund assets for the period stand at \$161,055.57. Donations for the year to date are \$12,461.00. Total cash and bank accounts available for investment stands at \$14,108.11. The MTF committee will meet soon to recommend appropriate investments. The investment portfolio incurred a loss of \$812.22 due to market down turn.

Secretary Ernie Lee reported that the club's Directors and Officers Liability policy has been received, policy #BM120053140, effective January 1, 2008. It includes the foundation and all our sponsored organizations as insured's. Coverage limit is \$1,000,000. Liquor Liability issue with respect to sponsorship of the city golf tournament is still pending. Item needs resolution. Information concerning the Governor's visit to District 5 on May 17th at the Capitol Plaza hotel in Jefferson City was shared with the board and applications handed out. Currently members Ray Lansford, Sally Robinson, John Haralson and Jason Simmons will attend. See Ernie Lee for information and registration forms.

Laura Deneke reported on a possible project with the Salvation Army Harbor House and presented a revised estimate of costs of \$905.00. There are hopes to purchase 61 mattresses; this portion would involve others, not just our club. This project is still a work in process of evaluating and finding funding sources. (The \$905.00 has funding sources.)

President Bowman discussed the sound system in our meeting room. He is exploring other systems and costs and will bring a demonstration system to a meeting soon.

Summarized by Ye Editor from the official minutes submitted by Secretary Ernie Lee.

1934 Saw a Historic Meeting of the Presidents

It seems that the University of Missouri has been well represented in the top leadership of Kiwanis. An article in the 1940 history of the Kiwanis Club of Columbia backed this claim up and we know that Ray Lansford's service as KI President even further extended the influence of our great university on Kiwanis.

"An unusual and very interesting meeting was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club in November, 1934, with the Lions Club and the Rotary Club joining in, so that under the auspices of all three a banquet was held honoring the International presidents of Kiwanis, Rotary and Lions. The meeting was the first of its kind in the history of all three clubs, and the city considered itself fortunate in playing host to these three service club leaders, other officials of the clubs, and the hundreds of members who came from all over the District, Missouri-Kansas-Arkansas."

"It is quite unusual that the three presidents of these three organizations should have been educated in the Middle West. Honorable Vincent C. Hascall, President of Lions International, is a graduate of the University of Nebraska; Honorable Robert L. Hill, President of Rotary International, is a graduate of the University of Missouri and has been a resident of Columbia and Boone County all his life; Dr. William J. Carrington, president of Kiwanis International, is also an alumnus of the University of Missouri."

Skipping the recap of the remarks of the first two gentlemen, Ye Editor jumps to the final paragraph of the article:

"Speaking on the past, present and future of service clubs, President Carrington said that if waste and inefficiency in local government in the United States are to be lessened, three objectives must be accomplished... (1) Open meetings for citizens to give proponents and opponents equal opportunity in discussing their views; (2) maintain adequate educational facilities, especially those making for character building; and (3) institute a direct education for the new leisure which has come about with the introduction of shorter working hours."

Special Events In May

**Clergy Day
May 13**

**Don Faurot Award
May 20**

**Annual Club Picnic
May 27**

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Celebrations of Love & Life

May Birthdays:

May 4 – Lloyd Turner

May 28 – Pat Stidham

May 30 – Tom Billings

May Anniversaries:

May 12– Bill & Nicole Reilly

May 14 – Stan & Lori Gerling

May 20 – Ray & Beuna Lansford

May 28 – Kathy & Tom Jackson



Heifer Int'l Concluded April's Programs

Programming for our club meetings is consistently excellent. April's programs, arranged by George Burgin, included Dr. Marianne Inman, President of Central Methodist University, on the role of higher education in the 21st century; Dr. Charles Campbell on his remarkable service and adventures in Africa; an introduction to the new world-class Youzeum opening in Columbia; and the story of Heifer International's worldwide program giving the gift of hope to millions in the form of animals that bring nutrition and income, by Dr. Cleo Kottwitz, Missouri's representative for Heifer International.



Sell. Sell. Sell!

A man calls his stockbroker all anxious and out of breath with urgency in his voice. "Sell it all, sell everything fast, right away."

The stockbroker tries to explain that the market is cyclical in nature and that for long term outlook stocks still remain the place to be.

The man says, "Let me tell you a secret. You know I've been married for 6 years now and I've been your client for 5 years."

"Yes, go on," the stockbroker says.

"Well. My wife has this thing about the market. Her grandparents lost it all in the great crash and ever since then her family found investing in the market akin to original sin. When we got married I promised her that I would follow in her parents footsteps and never venture in the stock market and always leave all our money under the mattress."

"Wow, I didn't know that. I guess you want the money because the market is going down, in case she asks for it."

"No, I want the money because she ordered a new mattress and it is being delivered in two days."

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