

# Kiwanis Club of Columbia, Missouri



# Newsletter

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## Leneau and Daly Join Club

The July 1<sup>st</sup> meeting saw the induction of two new club members, Charles Leneau and Susan Daly. Charlie was sponsored by Charlie Lee and Susan was sponsored by Betsy Happel. That's two very good recommendations. Welcome, Charlie and Susan, to Columbia's premier service organization.



## Dues Are Coming

Secretary Lee has a big job at the end of each club year trying to contact all members to renew their dues for the coming year. Let's help Ernie out and get our dues payments to him on time – that means by Oct 1. Dues are \$110.00, distributed as follows:

\$42.00 to KI

\$8.00 for the Magazine

\$11.90 for Liability Insurance

\$20.00 to Mo-Ark district

\$28.10 to our club

Keep the club strong and send your dues to Ernie this month or next.

**Kiwanis**  
**Young Children**  
Priority One

## Y'All Come To Nora Stewart Fete

The Nora Stewart Memorial Nursery School has been around for 75 years and plans to celebrate those 75 years of dedicated education and community service.

In the last few years our club has stepped up to provide real help to this amazing school and we are all invited to help them celebrate. Mark your calendar.

**Friday, August 22, 6:00 - 9:00 pm**

**Knights of Columbus Hall**

2525 N. Stadium Blvd.

Dinner catered by D'Rowe's

Music by Chump Change

Great Food & Cash Bar All Evening

Silent Auction

Tickets are \$20 in advance

from the school at 505 E. Ash St.

or \$30 at the door

Call Emily at 489-6204 for more information.



*Nora Stewart kids on the  
Kiwanis rug (Missourian  
photo by Alison Deering)*

## AUGUST PROGRAMS

*(Curtis Bohl, Program Chair)*

Aug. 5 – Bill Markgraf, Columbia Fire Chief

Aug. 12 – Steve Baumgartner, Jimmy Goodnight, and Jamie Conrow. Boone Electric Cooperative volunteer linemen in the Sudan.

Aug. 19 – KMIZ-TV. Digital TV conversion.

Aug. 26 – TBA



## Jim's Thoughts

Greetings fellow Kiwanians. Good gracious sakes alive!!!! Is it hot enough for you? I'm not absolutely certain, but I'm pretty sure I spotted a jack-rabbit heading home from church (I was at church, not the rabbit), along

the side of I-70 East near Lake of the Woods exit, carrying a canteen. Wow is it getting hot!!! Anyway, at the risk of looking too far into the future, let's think about what the weather will be like on the last day of September (Tuesday, September 30 to be exact).

That is the date set for our annual installation banquet, with our new fiscal year beginning October 1, 2008. It will be held at the Lenoir community center and I'm guessing it will start in the 5:45-6:00p.m. range that evening. This is a fun time of year for our club to celebrate, mingle, pass the baton to new leadership, and perhaps even congratulate some of our members for jobs well done during the 2007-2008 year. Let's plan on a huge turnout for this event.

Speaking of the upcoming fiscal year, I am really excited about our incoming leadership. John Haralson will be an outstanding President. I know he will bring strong leadership skills to our club. He has already selected nearly all of his committee chair-persons and has motivated really talented people to assume these positions. The great thing about our club is that we share a single passion – that of helping children. Our members bring many diverse talents and skills to the table. That is one thing that I never forgot, as I have had the privilege of serving as President this year, that it is each and every one of you that really "carries the ball across the goal line."

Leigh Britt, as you know, will be serving as our division's Lieutenant Governor for 2008-09. Leigh, I don't know how you manage all that you do, but thank-you up front for serving in this huge role! I believe 2008-09 will be the best year ever for our club!

Don't forget to invite prospective new members to our meetings. We really, really, really want to raise the membership to 88. That's just six new members. Which one of these six is waiting out there just for you to invite them? As always, I consider it a HUGE privilege to be a part of this great group of people volunteering to change the world one child, and one community at a time.

*Jim B.*



## Summary of Minutes of Board Meeting July 15, 2008

Treasurer Metcalf reported on the first nine months of the club year (through June 30). All line items are better than budget

except for supplies due to a purchase that will last well into next year. Overall we are ahead of budget. Club net worth stands at \$5,143.45.

The net worth of the foundation ended the period at \$179,816.51, reflecting a decrease of approximately \$5,000 due to the current market volatility. Budget expectations from concessions are ahead of budget projections, which is good because receipts from Pancake Day did not meet budget – we had a \$1,400 short fall in pancake revenues. Concessions saved the day. Expenditures for teacher recognition are below budget, too. We will, however, need to order bells for next year.

Memorial Trust Fund assets for the period were at \$163,699.71, a decrease from the prior period of \$6,668.63 due to market down-turn. Donations for the year to date stand at \$14,701.00.

Secretary Lee reported that the Liquor Liability issue with respect to sponsorship of the city golf tournament is still pending. We have determined that the only liquor served at the event is at a cash bar at the tournament banquet. Betsy Happel will contact the country club to determine if we can be named as an additional insured on the policy that provides their Liquor liability. Jim Bowman has had contact with an underwriter and explained the circumstances to the underwriter. The response was that since Kiwanis was not selling or providing the liquor that our basic liability policy would provide our defense cost. It was decided that Jim should once again contact the underwriter as we need to get this statement in writing.

Secretary Lee recommended the new club officers begin to identify chairpersons and committees for the coming Kiwanis year and prepare budget items as needed.

The Club annual meeting will be held at Lenoir the last Tuesday of September.

Betsy Happel and Laura Deneke reported that a proposed project to help the Salvation Army Harbor House is still seeking funding sources. No board action at this time.

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## Haralson & Adams on KI Convention



John Haralson and Tom Adams were our delegates to the Kiwanis International Convention June 26-29 in beautiful Orlando, Florida. And it even seems that they did attend sessions at the convention rather than slip off to Disney World.

John and Tom reported on their convention experiences at the July 29 meeting. John mentioned that KI was moving toward a new affiliation with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America that might be a terrific way to do more to help our local club – the one that we helped clean and update on Kiwanis One Day. He also covered how he understood better the membership goal of 1,000,000 Kiwanians by 2015. When we include our affiliate organizations, we are now about 700,000 strong, so growing to a cool million members in the next seven years is a feasible goal.



Turns out that Tom likes dolls and coloring books and Ye Editor has proof. In fairness, Tom likes the Kiwanis project that provides dolls to children to help them over difficult times and the giant coloring books that help children have fun and learn about important people at the same time.

It's pretty clear that we had two great representatives at the Orlando convention. And, just in case anyone needs extra incentive to serve as club president in 2011, they also informed us that the KI convention that year will be in Geneva, Switzerland!

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Consciously or unconsciously, every one of us does render some service or other. If we cultivate the habit of doing this service deliberately, our desire for service will steadily grow stronger, and will make, not only our own happiness, but that of the world at large. *Ghandi*

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## Our Local Boys & Girls Club

Interesting that John and Tom mentioned the KI movement toward a possible affiliation with the Boys & Girls Clubs. Besides the work that many in our club did during Kiwanis One Day, our July 1 meeting featured Megan Wadley, executive director of the Boys & Girls Club of the Columbia Area for the past year. Megan explained that the at-risk kids they serve are "alienated out of poverty, fear and desperation." The Boys & Girls Club currently provides an after-school program with safe transit, homework help from tutors, snacks and fun, constructive things for the kids. About 80 kids at any one time are participating. Plus, they have a hundred or more on a waiting list! Megan said that the KOD project and subsequent work at their facility by the Kiwanis clubs literally allowed the



Columbia club to stay open, providing services. Their facility was in such need of work that they were in danger of being closed. She stressed how they grateful they were for the help of the Kiwanis clubs in Columbia. She added that over half of the alumni of the club indicate that Boys & Girls Club involvement literally may have saved their lives.

## Board Meeting Minutes (cont'd from p. 2)

President Bowman asked Leigh Britt to lead a review of the Bring Up Grades (BUG) program, a new Kiwanis International program. Our club recently participated at a breakfast station during the mayor's "Bike Walk and Wheel Week." We estimated we touched 100 kids at the event, which caused Leigh to begin to explore if we should get involved in establishing a BUG program here. We would need a strong sponsor at the school. The school under review is Parkade.

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

## Celebrations of Life & Love

### August Birthdays:

- Aug. 8 – James Powell
- Aug. 9 – John Yonker
- Aug. 11 – Bill Reilly
- Aug. 16 – Bob Parks
- Aug. 16 – Bob Smith
- Aug. 23 – Gary Smith
- Aug. 26 – Otto Steinhaus
- Aug. 30 – Bill Crawford



### August Anniversaries:

- Aug. 4 – Eric & Allyson Cunningham
- Aug. 6 – Walker & Doris Allen
- Aug. 8 – Ed & Kakie Love Maynard
- Aug. 18 – Francis & Clara Pike
- Aug. 18 – Gary & Carol Smith

## Burgin Joins Club Board

George Burgin was elected to the board of directors at the July 1 meeting. Thanks go to George for helping in this service to the club.

## Interclubbers Going Strong

John Haralson reports that club members Bill Crawford, James Powell, Don Rowland, Leroy Sharp and John participated in an inter-club visit with the Moberly Kiwanis Club July 30. Ten local members were present for the noon-time meeting.

## Club Service Knows No Bounds

Once upon a time our club even took a lead in planning and developing a municipal airport! According to the 1940 club history, the airport project was a success and was "... ranked among the best in Missouri.... The port is being kept up-to-date and is modernized to meet successfully present-day air travel problems." The airport referred to is no longer in use and is now the grounds of the Cosmo Park on Business Loop 70. And, unfortunately, the successor airport is not doing so well.

### The Broker And The Shepherd

A man walking along a road in the countryside comes across a shepherd and a huge flock of sheep. He tells the shepherd, "I will bet you \$100 against one of your sheep that I can tell you the exact number in this flock." The shepherd thinks it over – it's a big flock so he takes the bet. "973," says the man. The shepherd is astonished, because that is exactly right. "OK, I'm a man of my word, take an animal." The man picks one up and begins to walk away.

"Wait," cries the shepherd, "Let me have a chance to get even. Double or nothing that I can guess your exact occupation." The man sizes up the situation and agrees. "You are a stock broker," says the shepherd. "Amazing!" responds the man, "You are exactly right! But tell me, how did you deduce that?"

"Well," says the shepherd, "put down my dog and I will tell you."

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