HAPPY KIWANIS NEW YEAR!

#KIDSNEEDEDKIWANIS
Objects of Kiwanis

- To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
- To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
- To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.
- To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.

The six permanent Objects of Kiwanis International were approved by Kiwanis club delegates at the 1924 Convention in Denver, Colorado. Through the succeeding decades, they have remained unchanged.
Connecting Kiwanis with our Communities

By Daniel Bennett
Governor
New England & Bermuda District of Kiwanis

Thank you to all who attended our 99th Annual Convention in Hyannis during the weekend of August 24 to 27 and thank you for your support in electing me as your governor for 2017-2018.

It is stated on my governor pin that my year is “Connecting Kiwanis with our Communities”.

Back in 1920 Roe Fulkerson, first editor of the Kiwanis International Magazine, stated that Kiwanis means “We Build” youth leaders, good will and communities. This is still true today; however, we need to do a better job of connecting with our communities and telling our story.

President Glenn Van Deusen of the Kiwanis Club of Weston sent out a survey to local groups in his community asking what they know about Kiwanis. The majority did not know the clubs general mission. 53% said not sure, 38% said community service. Just nine percent answered correctly, children.

Unfortunately, this is probably true in most of our communities. We have many stories to tell throughout the district, perhaps 144 stories, some that I am aware of are; Mount Washington Valley support of Jen’s Friends for cancer victims and their families, $22k to Laura’s Foundation and the Vaughn Learning Center. Manchester NH raising $28k for local charities. Mashpee’s golf outing to raise funds for opiate addiction education, prevention and treatment. Mashpee and Hyannis packing Easter baskets for kids in a domestic violence shelter. Norwalk CT and their Key Clubbers Easter egg hunt and breakfast with proceeds going to a local shelter. Concord NH’s 62nd Annual Kiwanis Spring Fair to support their community through sponsorships of youth sports teams, book scholarships, support of Key Club, Camp Spaulding and the Capital Region food program. Presque Isle’s 25 years of assisting with a softball throw event, playground project and special Olympics. Greater Waterville’s 10th Annual Health and Safety Fair.

Kiwanis Foundation of Middleton’s new winter clothing drive for children ages birth to 15 years. Bike rodeos in Danbury, Mashpee, Danvers, Norwalk, Meriden, Laconia, Greater Pittsfield, Maine, and others. Pancake breakfasts with Beverly’s Green Eggs and Ham, Saco River Valley, Norway-Paris 44 years and Danvers 47 years to benefit their communities. Scholarships - Holyoke, Fairfield, Danvers, and many others. Kiwanis Club of Allston-Brighton chartering a new Circle K Club at Boston College.

These 24 stories were shared on the District Facebook page.

What are the other 120 stories? We need to share all our stories with our communities. Sadly, there are 45 communities that lost the connection to Kiwanis in the last ten years because a club closed. This year we lost another three clubs. Think of the number of hours of service to children that has been lost.

Does your club have a Facebook page? Do you invite the leaders of your community to “like” your page? Do you invite the leaders in your community to join Kiwanis?

We have 4,100+/- members in the district and only 394 are on the district’s Facebook page. Please join us on Facebook and share your stories.

Does your club have a public relations committee and chair? If not, you are missing out on a great way to connect with your communities.

Does your club have a membership committee and chair? This is a key role for clubs to use to connect with your community by inviting your friends and neighbors to join your club. Remember more members means more good will and more service in your communities.

74% of members joined because someone asked and 48% were either a friend or relative of a member.

Is your club losing members? Is your club below charter strength? Chances are your answer is “yes.” Actually, we lost 1,876 members in the last ten years and 52% of our clubs lost members in the last five years. Please reach out to the Formula team thru its chair, Bob Kinney, Vice-chairs Denis Murphy and George Delisle, the Past Lt. Governors Committee, Governor-elect Elyse Denorofa or myself and tell us you want help building membership.

Our Service Leadership programs developing youth leaders is our greatest achievement. While youth are 1/3 of our population they are 100% of our future. A Kiwanis club in your community is key to our leadership programs. Does your club sponsor a K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Aktion Club or Circle K club? If the answer is “no,” then reach out to your district administrators and ask for help in sponsoring a new SLP.

Worldwide we have made a significant impact protecting mothers and their future babies with The Eliminate Project. Working with UNICEF we have raised $71,088,498 or 64% of the funds needed to complete the work in the 16 remaining countries where babies are still dying from a horrific death. As a district, we have raised more than $864,000, saving 480,000 lives. The Eliminate Project has been brought under the umbrella of the Kiwanis Children’s Fund, which will carry the project to completion. The Kiwanis Children’s Fund also supports disaster relief efforts, clean water initiatives worldwide, playgrounds, school supplies, winter jackets and shoes for the neediest in our world. Please have your clubs consider an annual gift donating at least $10 per member to this fund.

Closer to home, we are all members of the Kiwanis Foundation of New England (KFNE). Our support of the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute at Tufts Medical Center and the Hap Gerrish Pediatric Trauma Registry is vital in treating trauma in children. External injury is the leading cause of death among children. Each year 950,000 children under the age of 18 die from an injury. What better way to connect with our communities then by saving the lives of children with our support of KFNE?

It is imperative that we all work to retain our current members, increase membership in our clubs and bring more Kiwanis Clubs into our communities.

We can’t continue to lose clubs. We will not survive if we lose another 48 clubs. I hope you will support your team of lieutenant governors and district chairs and their efforts to connect Kiwanis with your communities.
I strongly believe in Kiwanis and its mission of empowering communities to improve the world by making lasting differences in the lives of children. The greatest impact that we have in our communities is through our work with our Service Leadership Programs and the hands-on service that we do.

Service Leadership Programs (SLPs) are important to Kiwanis for an infinite number of reasons. SLPs provide a sense of community and encourage philanthropy in youth across the world. Members of SLPs can participate in service projects, make friends from outside their town and learn leadership skills that will help them to succeed in many aspects of their lives.

It is important that we not only open new SLPs and financially support them, but that we ensure that we are a presence in their club. We need to lead by example and show our SLPs that we invest in every facet of their club.

Hands-on service is crucial for ensuring that our Kiwanis legacy will continue. In participating in hands-on service, our clubs not only gain visibility in the community (and the possibility of gaining members!) but they are able to directly help and serve those who can benefit the most from our support. While bigger service projects obtain greater visibility in the community, there are plenty of easy hands-on service projects that your club can do right at your own meetings in under an hour. These small projects are quick to complete, but can have a huge impact in our communities. My club would love to share some of the projects that we have done monthly; check them out on our website here: http://westhartfordkiwanis.org/serviceprojectideas.

Everything we do comes back to the simple fact that Kids Need Kiwanis. Let’s work together to change the world, one child and one community at a time. I am honored to serve as Governor-Elect to this wonderful District and I look forward to working with you all to achieve our Kiwanis vision.

Elyse Denorfia
Governor-Elect
Reflections on a good year

As Yogi Berra would say “It isn’t over until it is over”. The year of Dream Team 102 is drawing to a close and by the time you read this a new regime has begun. The year was one of ups and downs but looking back the ups significantly outweighed the downs. For the most part my LTG’s and Committee chairs are to be commended for the part they have played in making it so. This began with Lieutenant Governor Training back in June when we came together as strangers and now know that those we call friends and colleagues has increased significantly.

The I-Plan has been discussed, tested and implemented in many of our clubs as well as the District. What we have done and continue to do will stand us in good stead for the future. Know your past and plan for your future. As part of Inspiration/Membership we have aggressively sought to open new clubs and see membership grow. Milford is revived and Greater Amesbury and Northampton should be chartered by the end of the month. The ground work for clubs in Rhode Island, Vermont and Western Massachusetts are in the pipeline for the first quarter of Dan Bennett’s year. As the year has progressed we have strengthen our Formula team and increased the cadre of Club Builders and Club Counselors/Coaches. This bode well for the coming year and into the future. Love it, Live it, Share it.

Jean and I as we have traveled the District and meet with clubs across the district we are amazed at what is referred to as a “Signature Project” and the Impact it has on their communities. Many clubs have difficulty selecting one project since they usually have several of equal importance. It is indeed heart-warming and emphasizes the need for clubs to continue to grow and new ones to be built in communities lacking Kiwanis involvement #KidsNeedKiwanis. How many more kids can we serve with membership growth?

Traveling you see various indications that Kiwanis’ Image is beginning to show forth. Updated Kiwanis seals are seen everywhere on shirts, hats, banners, posters, volunteer’s aprons and work apparel. We know that public relations can be difficult or easy depending on your approach. Gayla Bartlett continues to demonstrate the value of social and news media and how you should be using it. Portland is a great example of what can be done as they are taking full advantage of President Jane Erickson’s visit as part of their 100th anniversary celebration. They’ve scheduled radio and TV spots featuring KIWANIS and its’ International President and District leadership. This should be good for a new member or two (or more) as Kiwanis will be in the news for weeks.

Jean and I are must also thank the clubs for support they have provide to the First Lady’s Auction (and to Geana Delisle) as we have provided funding for Kiwanis Foundation of New England & Bermuda and Cape Cod Child Development (CCCD). This fits under both Investment and Impact. With monies from the silent auction and pen sales Jean has presented over $6,000 to CCCD for their “Read to Me” program. The other day, Jean also presented Barbara Robbins of CCCD a Kiwanis plaque “In honor of inspiring a lifelong love of reading”. This is to be place in the reading room your funds have provided.

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Dream Team 102 - Energize the dream... that every child is happy, healthy, safe and loved!
This is my first time as District Secretary, and I’ve got to tell you, it’s scarier than when I had just been installed governor ten years ago. In the role of district secretary, it is expected that I know all the workings of a club, the district and Kiwanis International. Well folks, the truth is I will be learning every step along the way. For some of you taking office you may feel the same way! We’ll work together to get the job done.

As we consider the things that need to be done, the first place we should look is the bylaws of our individual clubs. This will guide you on for many things, including your annual meeting, when nominations should be made, and how to handle mid-term changes in a board or officer role. (Kiwanis training manuals have a good timeline to review.)

Remember your monthly report. As president or secretary of your club, now is the time to make sure they are all buttoned up. If your club has done monthly reports through Kiwanis Connect (a.k.a. Portalbuzzz), and you are up to date, your Kiwanis Annual Report will be compiled automatically. If you don’t use Kiwanis Connect, or if you are behind, you’ll have to recap the whole year. I think the monthly reports are easier.

If your eyes are glazing over, take a deep breath and look into State and Federal filings. In Massachusetts, each club secretary must file an annual report with the Secretary of the Commonwealth by November 1. It’s not difficult; it just has to be done. There is a small fee too. Each state will have certain requirements and different deadlines. If you are unsure, you will want to contact the sAG’s office in your area.

Even more important is the Federal Form 990. Your club may only be required to fill out the Form 990-EZ, and by its name, you can tell it’s “EZier” than the full 990. In your club, the treasurer may be filling this - just be sure it gets done. The deadline is the 15th of the month five months after your year ends. In the Kiwanis world, the year ends on 9/30, so the deadline is 2/15/2018.

As we’ve all heard during our installation, “Your role in handling club and organization affairs, such as looking after all details of the club and board meetings, reports to be made, dues to be collected, correspondence to be answered and records to be kept up to date is all important if the club is to continue to run smoothly.”

Who can help? The first place to turn is right in your club. Past leaders will give you guidance. Read your bylaws. Review any training material you have from conference. Search the member’s section of Kiwanis.org. Take any online class that is offered. You can also contact officers in nearby clubs, and you can even lean on the Lieutenant governor for your division. Kiwanis International has an amazing tea. Call them at 1-800-KIWANIS. Of course, I hope you will feel free to contact me if you have any special issue or concern. My email is secretary@newenglandkiwanis.org.

Good luck in your position!

John Maihos
District Secretary
By Raphaella dos Santos
Governor
New England & Bermuda District of Key Club

For those who don’t know, my name is Raphaella dos Santos, and I am currently serving as the New England and Bermuda Key Club Governor. This past summer, I had the amazing opportunity to attend the Kiwanis district convention which took place in my home town, Cape Cod, Massachusetts. I had such an incredible time getting to know some of you, and of course, getting to take part in some amazing conservation. As stated in the last Key Club YanKey, this year the Key Club district board decided on four main goals: growing the Kiwanis family, increasing district project involvement and fundraising, increasing regional training conference attendance by 50% of last years’ numbers, and increasing Bermuda, Connecticut and Rhode Island involvement with Key Club and the district.

District board members are working very hard to activate these goals within the district, but we need some help. We ask that Kiwanians help us out as much as possible, not only financially but, most importantly, as a support system. To achieve these goals we need as much help as we can get. This is an amazing opportunity for Kiwanians to partner with Key Clubs. The district committee chairs, lieutenant governors, adult committee, and I are brainstorming different ways of achieving these goals. If you have suggestions, please don’t hesitate to contact me or the Key Club lieutenant governor working within your divisions. Again, we’re aiming to build this Kiwanis family.

I also have two announcements. First is my Governor’s Project. This year, I am collaborating with Camp Sunshine in helping them collect items on their wish list. For those who are not familiar with Camp Sunshine, it is a camp located on Sebago Lake in Casco, Maine. It helps kids with life-threatening conditions to escape and have a fun time with their families. Wish list items include AA and AAA Batteries, nine-volt batteries, C-size batteries, cold packs, copy paper, “puddle jumper” life vests, string, gimp, paper towels, tissue paper, boxes of tissues, sleeping bags, blank CDs, pool towels, pack-n-play sheets. Items should be new and packaged. All items will be collected and packaged by Key Clubbers at the New England and Bermuda Key Club District Educational Conference in April, 2018 and will be sent to Camp Sunshine!

My second announcement: please visit our new NEBD website at www.newenglandkeyclub.org. Don’t know Key Club? You will once you explore what we’re all about. We are young, and we have energy, but we are structured. Visit and get a sense of what we’re all about.

Thank you for all that you do for not only Key Club but for the community. I hope to see some of you in North Conway, New Hampshire.

Yours in service and friendship,
Raphaella dos Santos
New England and Bermuda District Governor
Key Club International
governor.ned1718@gmail.com
Chris Martz has been appointed the new Northeast Area Director for Kiwanis International as a result of a restructuring of Kiwanis’s support staff. In this role, Chris will support membership and education in the districts of Capital, Pennsylvania, New England & Bermuda, New Jersey, and New York.

Before serving as an area director, Chris served as the director of Circle K International for more than six years where he managed the daily operations of the organization. He then spent more than a year on the Innovations Team at Kiwanis where he researched and worked on projects geared toward solving organizational challenges.

Chris graduated from Ball State University in 1994 with a bachelor’s degree in journalism and secondary education. He completed his coursework for a master’s of public relations, but has yet to write his thesis. Chris taught high school journalism and English for seven years. He advised the number one high school yearbook in the United States as designated by the National Scholastic Press Association.

For the past 17 years, Chris has worked in the nonprofit world—generally in the areas of communication and management. He joined the Kiwanis staff in January 2010 as the director of Circle K. Prior to joining Kiwanis, Chris worked for a national fraternity headquarters coordinating communications and member services.

Chris is a 15-year Kiwanis member. He is currently a member of the Kiwanis Club of Meridian Hills in Indianapolis. He has served as club president twice and two terms as lieutenant governor for the Kiwanis Indy Metro Division.

Chris resides in Indianapolis and enjoys running. He has completed numerous half marathons and five full marathons.

Calling all Key Clubs:
Join us for KPTI Open House
Saturday December 2
at Tufts Medical Center

Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute’s annual open house will take place on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 9:30 -1:30 at Tufts Medical Center in Boston. All New England District Key Clubs and their teachers/mentors are invited to attend for another educational and fun day. In addition to our guest speaker (to be announced later), the day also includes a tour of the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute/Floatg Hospital for Children, a visit to the MedFlight helipad, a chance to chat with our pediatric EMTs, a cookie and cocoa social, and a service project to benefit pediatric patients at Floating Hospital.

To register for the event: Please contact Anne Keliher at akeliher@tuftsmedicalcenter.org. Be sure to state your name, email address, phone number, name of your Key Club, the number of people you are bringing and whether you need to depart the event at a particular time. KPTI will try to schedule your KPTI/hospital tour to accommodate your departure time. Also, all Key Club leaders are encouraged to bring Key Club members who have never before attended KPTI Day, and to limit the number of guests to 50 people. By doing this, you will help KPTI to allow as many Key Clubs as possible to participate and still be in compliance with the fire code/maximum seating capacity in the hospital auditorium.
John Batty, the previous District Aktion Club Administrator, recently moved to Florida. We all appreciate all the time John put in to help all of us and our Aktion clubs.

Governor Bill Jenkins has appointed me (Denise Rueger) to the position of District Aktion Club Administrator.

I would like to share just a little about myself. I live in Ashley Falls (a village of Sheffield) which is located in Western Massachusetts in the corner between Connecticut and New York.

My involvement with people with disabilities began in 1978. I am so happy to see how far the acceptance of people with disabilities has come in 40 years and all of the opportunities they now have. But there is so much more to be done.

I have been a Kiwanis member since 1999 and a current member of the Kiwanis Club of Lee MA. In 2010-11, I was Distinguished Lieutenant Governor for Division 21 which is now division 17. In 2008, I helped sponsor the Southern Berkshire Aktion Club.

As the new Aktion Club District Chair, I would like to thank my predecessors Dave Koohy and John Batty for all they have done for our District Aktion Clubs. John was instrumental in initiating our first district Aktion Club Conference, which was held at the district convention. We had representation from 5 Aktion Clubs, Cape Cod, Community Connections (Mashpee), Hanson, Mid-Coast Maine, and Southern Berkshire County. We had 35 attendees including members, caregivers, and advisers. The Aktion Conference was run by CKI Governor Daniel Norwood and 7 of his CKI members. Our service project made 88 KPTI child safety kits to be distributed on Cape Cod.

In 2017, we had 12 active Aktion Clubs and 1 inactive Aktion Club. The following are our current Aktion Clubs and their sponsoring Kiwanis Club: Cape Cod (Sandwich MA), Community Connections (Mashpee MA), Hanson (Hanson MA), Looking Upwards (Newport RI), Marshfield (Marshfield MA), Meriden (Meriden CT), Mid-Maine (Dover-Foxcroft ME), Midcoast Maine (Rockland ME), Middleboro (Middleborough MA), Portland (Portland ME), Rutland County (Rutland VT) and Southern Berkshire County (Lee MA). Inactive is CLASS (Greater Lawrence). Let me thank you all for the great work you and your Kiwanis clubs are doing with your sponsored Aktion Clubs. Your Aktion clubs provide life changing experiences for the members and clubs involved.

Bob Kinney and Daryl Sylvia are currently working with Community Connections Inc. to charter an Aktion Club in New Bedford with a strong interest to form 2 others in nearby communities.

NEW MONTHLY REPORT FORMS
Beginning in October, Aktion Club will have new monthly report forms for clubs. This will replace the quarterly reports that clubs currently complete. This new report is similar to the Kiwanis monthly report form and should be an easy transition for advisors. There will be many benefits to this new system. Club advisors will have the ability to:

- Complete the form throughout the month
- Save/print the completed form for records
- Share the report with district leaders and others
- Review past reports

Kiwanis International is excited to announce that starting in 2017-18, each Service Leadership Program (SLP) club line will have its own appreciation week. Moving in this direction means that November will no longer be designated as Kiwanis Family Month.

The Kiwanis board believes that the goals of Kiwanis Family Month can be better served by giving each SLP club line a week for awareness and celebration. These goals are to:
1. Provide an easy opportunity to promote the programs to an external audience, so they become aware of the programs and their connection to Kiwanis.
2. Provide an easy opportunity to promote the programs to an internal Kiwanis audience, so that those who do not sponsor a particular program might choose to do so.
3. Celebrate the existing relationships the clubs have with their sponsors and their host sites.
4. Provide an easy and structured opportunity for the SLP clubs to showcase themselves within their schools and communities, which helps with public image and possible recruitment.
5. Celebrate the service mission of these clubs by encouraging hands-on service projects during these weeks. Each SLP has a specific time of year for their week that will stay the same from one year to the next. Those are listed below along with the specific dates for 2017-18.
- CKI Week has yet to be determined but will be in October
- Key Club Week (the first full week of November) will be November 6-10
- K-Kids Week (the last full week of February) will be February 19-23
- Aktion Club (the first full week of March) will be March 5-9
- Builders Club (the third full week of March) will be March 19-23

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns about Aktion Club.

Denise Rueger
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rrueger2@roadrunner.com
Our Fall Conference will be held on November 17 to 19 in North Conway, NH at the Grand Hotel located at Settlers Green Outlet Village.

On Friday night, we have booked M & D Playhouse for a “Kiwanis Night” to see Twelfth Night, one of Shakespeare’s most popular, lightest and most musical of all his comedies. Tickets are just $15.00 and will be available when you register for the conference. The playhouse is located at 1857 White Mt. Hwy just ½ mile from the hotel with plenty of parking. There are 75 tickets available.

On Saturday, we have sessions on membership presented by Chris Martz, Northeast Area Director, Kiwanis Children’s Fund presented by Aaron Ketzenberger, Development Officer for The Kiwanis Children’s Fund. Michelle Hill, our Partnership Coordinator will present a video from Evan Wesley of the Thirst Project, a Key Club Service partner. She is also planning a Scholastic Book Fair for a local elementary school. There are non-Kiwanis sessions planned on Genealogy and Financial Planning.

Marie Lee co-chair of Angels and Elves asked that we bring donations of pajamas of all size for children, infants to teens as well as waterproof gloves and mittens.

The First Ladies Project for the Fall Conference will benefit The Kiwanis Children’s Fund-Disaster Relief efforts. Please bring a basket for the silent auction for Saturday Night.

Hope to see you in North Conway.

Dan Bennett
Governor

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A Night at the Theatre

Thanks to the efforts of Dan Andrews we have an opportunity to get together on Friday night as a group in North Conway for a comedy night. See his comments below.

I have checked with the playhouse concerning the District purchasing tickets for the November 17th production of “Twelfth Night: Abridged”, a modern comedy based on a Shakespeare’s play. They will charge us $15.00 per ticket, a savings of $5.00 off the regular price. The theatre holds 76 people and no tickets have been sold yet for this performance.

The play begins at 7:30pm and probably will be about two hours long.

There are several restaurants nearby M&D that are open and serving at 9:30, so a late dinner or lighter fare will be available for those who are looking for something to do after.

Before I ask the District to reserve tickets I would like to get a sense of interest from those planning on attending Fall Training that would like to attend the play at a cost of $15.00.

Please respond to me directly at danbennettre@outlook.com if interested.

Yours in Kiwanis Service

Dan
Governor

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The New England and Bermuda District will celebrate its 100th anniversary at our District Convention in Leominster, MA, next August. Gov. Dan Bennett is looking for creative volunteers to serve on a 100th Annual Convention Planning Committee. If you’d like to be part of the committee, please e-mail Governor Dan at governor@newenglandkiwanis.org.
# Fall Training Conference

**Grand Hotel**  
**Nov 17-19, 2017**  
**North Conway, NH**

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**Thirst video by Evan Wesley of Project Thirst**  
**All day Scholatic Book Sale**
I am writing this article to inform all Kiwanis members of a new, exciting and innovative project, Brain Charging Stations, which creates Reading Corners in Laundromats to boost Early Literacy, Numeracy, and Parent Engagement with Young Children. A Perfect Fit with Kiwanis’ “Young Children: Priority One”.

One of the most powerful ways to promote early literacy and parent engagement with their young children is providing materials that encourage both in venues where parents spend time with their children. This idea is most effective in venues where parents need to go for regular chores, that are easily accessible and not intimidating, where there isn’t much stimulation available and where parents have significant “down time” that could be used for reading with young children. A prime candidate for these venues are laundromats, and Kiwanis International and Ready Nation are partnering with the Coin Laundry Association (CLA) to set up reading corners, or “Brain Charging Stations” in neighborhoods that serve disadvantaged families.

Each station would consist of an attractive book holder; a rug that promotes letters, numbers and geometric shapes; and books that parents can use in the moment (rather than parenting tips or other materials that create another chore for time-strapped parents). The wall around the station would be decorated with posters specifically for laundromats, as well materials from another organization, Read Aloud 15 MINUTES, that convey the importance of early reading. From that basic foundation, sponsors could do more too if they desire, such as conducting Storytime sessions.

From Ready Nation:

Brain Charging Station: Promoting Early Literacy and Winning Customers

Learning to read and count at an early age has a big impact on children’s achievement. Reading aloud to children, starting from birth, helps them grow to be successful adults.

Laundromats can help their customers, their communities and their bottom line by providing spaces that encourage reading to young children - at no cost!

Please allow us to create an attractive space for children’s books in your local laundromat - FREE.

Benefits for the Laundromat Host

★ Attract customers and distinguish your laundromat
★ Provide productive distraction for customer’s children
★ Contribute to improving children’s literacy
★ Enhance reputation as a good corporate citizen

The Laundromat Host will

★ Agree to host the Brain Charging Station for one year.
★ Provide space - book holder is 2’x1’, and rug is 3’x4.5’
★ Volunteer provides the book holder, table, chairs,
Kiwanis Foundation and KPTI
Working Together

By Jack Brown
President, KFNE

Your Kiwanis Foundation of New England (KFNE) is best known for its close relationship to the Tufts Medical Center Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute (KPTI) located in Boston. KFNE provides financial support to the Institute and District members and Clubs benefit in return by utilizing the Institute’s large number of materials and programs. Please see the list of available materials and programs further below.

What is it that KPTI does in its efforts to contribute to this relationship?

KPTI uses these funds, and others, to 1) treat pediatric trauma, 2) through focused research, advance the body of medical knowledge on preventing and treating pediatric trauma, and 3) provide family support. All are under the guidance of Dr. Walter J. Chwals, Chief of Pediatric Surgery and Director of the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute

Injured children are expertly cared for in KPTI’s American College of Surgeons-verified Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center by a team of highly skilled physicians, nurses and other health care providers, all of whom are extensively trained in the specialized care of pediatric trauma patients.

KPTI has an active community safety program. KPTI community safety programs reach more than 33,000 children and their families each year. Materials and shipping for these programs are free of charge to New England Kiwanis, Key and Circle K Clubs (or, if noted, for a donation to replace requested items).

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Your Foundation provided financial support to KPTI for the development of the Hap Garrish Registry (think “database”). This registry contains a significant body of scientific knowledge on treating pediatric trauma. It is envisioned that emergency personnel, ER doctors and urgent care and hospitals will, with access to this Registry, be

Inexpensive new books can be ordered at www.firstbook.org or Scholastic books. Sponsors can get used books through donations from employees or civic groups, as well as purchased at thrift stores, libraries, etc. Kiwanis International and Ready Nation will publicize the efforts with their website, e-newsletter and social media.

HOW TO GET STARTED

Kiwanis Clubs will identify laundromats by zip code to be sent to Ready Nation which will forward them to Coin Laundry Association (CLA). If the laundromat is a member of CLA, they will contact the owner of the laundromat to advise them of the program which is totally free to the laundromat and that the owner can expect to hear from someone with Kiwanis about working together on it. CLA will also provide the owner’s contact information to Ready Nation which will then contact the Kiwanis club.

The club then becomes the volunteer with a committee created to start the project and follow through. One or more members of the club now contacts the owner and reassures that person that this is a program to benefit young children in the area and that it will not have any cost to the laundromat/owner. Ready Nation can basically provide a kit ($200-$300) to include an inexpensive book holder, initial book set, rug and the posters which have been developed specifically for this program. The Kiwanis logo can be added to any materials.

If you have questions, please email me at faithava2008@yahoo.com or you may contact Sara Watson, Director, Ready Nation, swatson@readynation.org, 240-893-3063 or Jeff Gardner, Chairman of CLA, at jeff@thelaundrydoctor.com
more successful in treating our youth who have been injured.
Your Foundation also provides Disaster Relief funding (from non-restricted funds) from time-to-time. A recent example was a donation made to the Texas-Oklahoma Kiwanis District for Hurricane Irma victims. Given the large number of severe hurricanes this year, other disaster relief donations are under discussion.

In addition to KFNE, I want to acknowledge Key Club and Circle K groups throughout New England and the U.S., that help with many of KPTI’s outreach programs by raising funds, developing new programs, and implementing programs in local schools.

Your Foundation’s support of KPTI is essential to the Hospital maintaining its American College of Surgeons-verified Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center. This designation is testament to the Hospital’s and KPTI’s capabilities and rigor in treating pediatric trauma. And the value of your support for their efforts

Your Foundation works to fund KPTI and its efforts, and other programs, via fundraising. We depend on you and your clubs for both restricted and unrestricted donations. Annual gifts from Kiwanis Clubs and Individuals, Sustaining Member Pin Program, Red Jacket/Crest Upgrades, Legacy Giving (John D. Morton Society.

For further information, Please see: www.kfne.org and www.kfne.org/ giving.htm

The Board of KFNE respectfully asks you and your Club to consider making a generous donation in support of our children and researching, preventing, and treating Pediatric Trauma research.

Jack E. Brown
President, KFNE, Inc.
Member, Kiwanis Club of Lower Cape Cod-Eastham

EXAMPLES OF AVAILABLE KPTI MATERIALS & PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

BELTS – BECAUSE EVERYONE LOVES TO BE SAFE

- BULLY FREE ZONE
- CAR SEATS
- CAR SEAT IDENTIFICATION STICKERS
- CONCUSSION INFORMATION
- EARLY CHILDHOOD INJURY PREVENTION
- ELECTRIC OUTLET SAFETY COVERS

FIRST AID/CPR CHART FOR PARENTS

- HELMET IDENTIFICATION STICKERS
- I’M SAFE! ON MY BIKE IN NEW ENGLAND
- KEY CLUBBY BEAR
- KIWANIS FAMILY SAFETY DAY AND BIKE RODEO
- SAFETY HANDOUTS

Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports a Center for Disease Control (CDC) program to bring awareness to the dangers of head trauma in young people, particularly those in youth sports.
Danvers

The Danvers Kiwanis club gathered snack items for the Danvers People To People Food Pantry.

Dan Bennett was sworn in as Governor for 2017-2018 of the New England and Bermuda District of Kiwanis at the 99th annual district Convention in Hyannis. Dan is a member of the Danvers Kiwanis Club. He recently served as the coordinator of the Eliminate project. To learn more about Kiwanis visit http://www.newenglandkiwanis.org.
SAVE THE DATE

10.27.17
DIVISION 20 GOVERNOR’S VISIT &
OUR 75TH CHARTER
ANNIVERSARY
6-10 PM
RIDGEWOOD COUNTRY CLUB
DANBURY, CT

FORMAL INVITATION TO FOLLOW
WWW.KIWANISCT.COM
Greater Waterbury

Youth of Greater Waterbury, putting a show for adults and friends, at day camp sponsored by Waterbury Kiwanis, Waterbury Youth Services and Waterbury Police Activities League. About 50 kids each week get to explore outdoors, play games and learn crafts.

Orono-Old Town

The Orono-Old Town Kiwanis Club recently renewed its “read and leave” project in which members read books aloud to young children in day care and nursery schools, leaving the books behind for the schools’ libraries.

Club Young Children – Priority One Chair Calista Hannigan contacts local day care and nursery school teachers and arranges for a series of age appropriate books to be purchased each session. Seven schools are currently participating. Each school is visited each week by a Kiwanis volunteers who brings a book to read. On completion, the book is left for the school’s Library. Each book is labeled the club’s name.

This project has been in existence for more than 35 years and the schools have changed but there have never been fewer than five. Sometimes the Kiwanis readers will bring a “show-and-tell” item that is pertinent to the book they are reading, or bring a guitar or banjo to play and sing.

A second part of the project was added about eight years ago and entails purchasing books and attending kindergarten registration in five local towns and cities. Each child who registers is greeted and given a book to take home. Children are encouraged to read the books with their families and share with siblings.

A third part of the project is in its second year. Club President Terry Lee LaCombe came across a Grange program that made available small dictionaries at reasonable cost. The club gives these to all third grade students in local elementary schools.

Saco River Valley

We donated $2340.00 to sponsor one year of therapeutic riding for a needy child at LaDawn Therapeutic Riding Center. John Scully, Donna LaRiviere, Annette Merrill, Donna Roberts, Dan Bellmere, James Farr
The Westbrook Kiwanis Club and the Westbrook-Gorham Rotary Club teamed up with the Maine Locker Project over the summer to supply local residents with fresh produce. Every two weeks a distribution was held at the Westbrook Community Center. Shaw’s, Hannaford, The Farmers Market, and Scratch Bakery donated the goods that were distributed.

The Westbrook Kiwanis Club held its annual “Kids Safety Day” Sept. 16. The day included a bike rodeo, helmet fittings, smoke houses, fire trucks, police dog demonstrations and more. Westbrook Kiwanis manned one of 12 stations. Each child who attended was given a passbook. The children went to each station and were asked a trivia question to obtain stickers to fill their book. Once filled, the child was entered into a drawing for a bike. The Kiwanis station was about seat belt safety and safety for infants. More than 200 infant safety kids were distributed.

Westbrook Kiwanis teamed up with the Westbrook Gorham Rotary to hold a food drive on September 9th. 12 large boxes and $15.00 in cash was raised to benefit the Westbrook Food Pantry and the Westbrook High School Pantry. Way to go!
Kellie Brown named 2017 Westfield “Kiwanian of the Year”

Kellie Brown, Program Director of the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Westfield has been named the club’s 2016-2017 “Donald W. Blair Kiwanian of the Year.” The award was announced at our September 7 meeting.

The Awards Committee, chaired by 2015-16 Kiwanian of the Year Bill Parks, also named Very Rev. Joseph Soltsyak - “Father Joe” to us - as 2016-2017 “Lifetime Achievement Award” winner, and selected Cathleen Bastible to receive a Walter Zeller Fellowship for her tireless work on behalf of the club.

The three awards were presented by outgoing President and incoming Lieutenant Governor Geana Deilse at the club’s gala 95th Anniversary party September 29 at East Mountain Country Club.

Special guests at the anniversary night were Elyse De- norfia, formerly a Westfield member who was recently elected as 2017-18 Governor-elect of the New England and Bermuda District of Kiwanis, and her husband Brian Schollin, also a former Westfield member. (Elyse and Brian transferred their membership to the West Hartford Kiwanis Club when they relocated to Cromwell, CT, a few years ago).

In addition to the announced award presentations, the evening featured induction of nine new members, installation of 2017-2018 officers and directors, and a celebration of the club’s 95-year history of service to the Greater Westfield community. President Geana will present her Master Kiwanian and Presidential Awards, and Legion of Honor and Legion of Merit awards were presented to several members who are marking service milestones.

Presque Isle

The Presque Isle Kiwanis Club recently inducted officers for 2017 - 2018 at a regular meeting. Incoming President Carla Cambridge presented outgoing President Penny McHatten with a few gifts. Pictured are Secretary Sue Watson, Directors Julie Plummer, Heidi Rackliffe, and Jamie Guerrette, President Carla Cambridge, Past President Penny McHatten, and Director Dawn Poitras. Not pictured are President-elect George Watson, Vice President A.J. Cloukey, Treasurer Deirdre McMahon, and Directors Timothy McMahon, Diane Green, and Sherry Locke.

Presque Isle Treasurer Deirdre McMahon, President Penny McHatten, and Lt. Gov. Sue Watson recently visited the local homeless shelter to serve “Breakfast for Supper”. There were 11 residents served.
Presque Isle

The Presque Isle Kiwanis Club recently held a dance to raise funds to purchase playground equipment.
Presque Isle cont’d

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Kiwanis Club of Presque Isle continued its six-year tradition of donating school supplies to Pine Street Elementary School. Giving the supplies out were George Watson, Sue Watson Penny McHatten, Guidance Counselor Holly Vigue, and Principal Loretta Clark.

Members of the Kiwanis Club of Presque Isle recently held their annual social, hosted by David & Carla Cambridge. Pictured are Vice President Carla Cambridge, David Cambridge, President-elect George Watson, Lt. Gov. Sue Watson, Past Governor Timothy McMahon, Treasurer Deirdre McMahon, President Penny McHatten, Kim Jones, Julie Plummer, Dawn Poitras, Hal Stewart, Dan Amero, Chelsea Hammond, Kelley Lamont Kinney, P.J. Kinney, and John Graves

Kiwanis Club of Presque Isle members were “Rockin’ on Riverside” selling sock hop tickets and Christmas bulbs. Shown are Deirdre McMahon, Julie Plummer, Kelley Lamont Kinney, and Sue Watson.

Members helped out at the annual Sweedn Street Project
Dear Kiwanians, family and friends:

May 2018 will be our 14th annual cruise To Bermuda. We will be Bermuda-bound on the newly renovated Norwegian Dawn. This ship now has 11 dining and drinking venues. The two main dining venues and the Garden Cafe are included in your passage. Some of the new venues are O’Sheehan’s Bar & Grill, Sugarcane Mojito Bar and The Cellars, a Michael Mandavi Family wine bar.

This is like a dream trip to Bermuda. All you do is relax and let the crew pamper you. There are no schedules. You just relax and enjoy the pampering for eight days and seven nights. After all, this is your vacation, so enjoy.

Since the first letter I sent out earlier this year the prices have changed. The new rates are:

- Balcony ..................$1,639.00
- Oceanview, Decks 8&9 (OA) ....... $1,239.00
- Oceanview, Deck 5 (OB) ........ $1,209.00
- Inside cabin, Deck 9 (IB)..........$1,029.00

These prices will run until about October, 2017. All prices are per person/double occupancy and are based on 2018 group rates. These prices also include taxes and port fees for both countries.

Our annual cruise is not restricted to just Kiwanians. Feel free to invite your family members/ friends, neighbors and co-workers.

The only thing that outshines this beautiful island is the Bermudians themselves and their awesome hospitality. Anyone even thinking of going to Bermuda next spring should book early to take advantage of the special rates, available cabins and amenity packages.

If you are booking a balcony or an ocean view cabin, NCL is offering you a choice of two amenity packages; if you book an Inside cabin you choose one amenity package:

- A liquor package;
- A dining package (for specialty restaurants);
- An internet package, or;
- An excursion package;

All you pay is the gratuity assigned to the package(s) you choose.

The last few years’ attendance has been thinning so please let’s make this a big part of a great 2017-2018 year for Governor Dan and First Lady Janet. I’d like to see us meet or exceed the two best attended Bermuda Governor’s Visits, 1996 and 2007.

We can do it! Please join us for this best attended cruise ever for Governor Dan

Yours in Kiwanis and Friendship

Robert E (Bob) Tandy, Cruise Chairman
Join Governor Dan Bennett and your fellow Kiwanians for fun and fellowship as we sail to the island of Bermuda. You’ll sail aboard the recently-renovated Norwegian Dawn, with new restaurants, bars and lounges, including the popular O’Sheehans Bar & Grill, Sugarcane Mojito Bar, Bliss Lounge and The Cellars, a Michael Mondavi Family Wine Bar, along with new upscale Mexican dining venue Los Lobos Cantina.

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**To make your reservation, contact:**

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