Kiwanis CHILDREN'S FUND

Hello Nebraska-Iowa Kiwanians,

Welcome to a new Kiwanis year. I hope all of you and your clubs are doing well! I hope you were able to accomplish everything you set out to do this past year for the children and families in your community and beyond. As you set your Kiwanis budgets for the coming year, I would ask you to include a donation to the Kiwanis Children's Fund. Every dollar donated helps the Children's Fund helps clubs help kids.

There is great news for the Nebraska-Iowa District. I have a report that shows how much each district donated in the past Kiwanis year. Nebraska-Iowa is number two out of all of the districts in the world! Illinois-Eastern Iowa is number one. Both districts are in our Central Region. Many children, both locally and worldwide, benefit from our generosity. Thank you so much!

There is also good news from our District Report. Nebraska-Iowa has donated more than half a million dollars to the Possibility Project. We are at $523,956.01. Fantastic! Thank you so much! The Possibility Project overall has raised $12,334,679.01, which is so close to half of the goal.

We also now have 15 IMPACT Clubs in Nebraska-Iowa. Added to the list this month are Southwest Omaha and Williamsburg. Thanks to those clubs for becoming IMPACT Clubs. If your club would like more information about becoming an IMPACT Club, contact me. I will put you in touch with your Possibility Project champion.

The grant I'd like to share with you this month comes from the Kiwanis Club of Moline, Illinois. They received a grant to help purchase Scholastic News Magazines for first and second graders in the Moline/Coal Valley School District and for second and third graders at Seton Catholic School for a full school year. Over 1,000 children benefited from this grant. The grant enabled students to gain a love for reading and learn about the bigger world around them. Great idea!

"K" Dollars (dollar bills with a K in the serial number) can be a big part of your Children's Fund donations either as a club or an individual.

Thanks for reading!

Jody Melcher
Nebraska-Iowa District Chair for Kiwanis Children's Fund