# Florida Division 14 News

May 15, 2023

### Lt. Gov. Shawn's Updates

#### Hello Folks!

Greetings Division 14! The clubs in our division have been doing great things since the March newsletter. This edition of the newsletter will share the highlights and some opportunities for Interclubs.

## MEMBERSHIP IS UP!!! MORE CHILDREN CAN BE SERVED!!!

As of May 13<sup>th</sup>, Division 14 has gained 35 members since October. Carrollwood (+7), Greater Brandon (+3), Midtown Tampa (+1), Plant City (+6), SouthShore (+0), Tampa (+3), and Uptown Temple Terrace (+15). Division 14 is up 17.6% to 234 members. These numbers are on the rise as I know new member inductions are still taking place.



Let's get TOGETHER Sep. 9th for the Division 14 PICNIC!

Join us at the Division Council Meeting on Monday, July 10th at 6:30 pm hosted by SouthShore Kiwanis. If you have agenda items, please send them to Lt. Gov. Shawn.



#### **Dates to Remember**

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May 15: International

- June 1: Elections Reports.
- June 10: Monthly Reports
- June 17: Uptown Temple
- June 21-24: memational
- June 25: Kiwanis Day at
- July 15: Back-to-School
- July 22: Division 14 Officer
- Aug. 17-20: Florida District
- Sep. 9: Division 14 Picnic (Details to come)



#### Division 14 Rocks! Service by Division 14 Clubs!

Plant City Kiwanis hosted the annual Plant City Citizen of the Year Award ceremony honoring Mayor Rick Lott. They have been reading to Head Start children as part of Reading Around the World. They volunteered with Unity in the Community at the Strawberry Festival to raise money for school backpacks. Plant City hosted the May Division Council Meeting. The club held a successful golf tournament to fund scholarships for Plant City High School students. They are working with school counselors to distribute more than 50 stuffed backpacks to students at each of 28 local schools. They are looking to diversify their fundraising efforts so they can better resource their service programming. The club has had several great speakers to engage the members at their hybrid meetings to meet member needs.

Carrollwood Kiwanis held another successful Clay Shoot in April. The club is hosting a Shred-A-Thon event to help the community destroy sensitive information that could lead to identity theft and proceeds will help fund children at Forest Hills Preschool on June 17th. They are planning a BBQ to support West Chase Elementary. The club continues to work with the Carrollwood Community Food Pantry and Operation Helping Hands that assists veterans. Members honored Gaither High School Key Club seniors with a send-off event and party. The club continues to grow its membership and engagement of members in activities outside of the regular meetings.

**Midtown Kiwanis** is consistently reading to students at Tampa Heights Elementary as part of *Reading is* Fundamental and sponsoring Terrific Kids there. They are planning on revitalizing their annual Shrimp Boil fundraiser.

Brandon Kiwanis inducted three new members at its 63<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary celebration. They continue to help Brandon High School with their drives to collect stuffed backpacks, clothing, and hygiene items for the students. Their community pantry at Gibsonton Elementary will continue to run throughout the summer. They reported distributing more than 1000 pounds of food in April. The club is planning events in support of Juneteenth to support a member who is running for Honorary Greater Brandon Mayor. The club is sponsoring a new scholarship for students who are seeking certificates in workforce and trades programs which will be called the Helen Young Vocational Scholarship. Congrats to Ted Newfield's Amazon STEM Teaching Grant.

SouthShore Kiwanis has been busy writing grants and raising funds to support Head Start, Terrific Kids, its first Builders Club, and its Key Clubs. They have been incredibly helpful with helping the Uptown Temple Terrace Club navigate its inaugural year. Their annual Tea was a huge success as was their fish fry. The club has given away more than 1,000 books to children. They continue to collaborate with other local like-minded organizations in Soles of the Souls to make sure homeless and underprivileged citizens have shoes and socks. SouthShore has 4,000 socks and 3,700 Everyday Thing dictionaries to be distributed, so all clubs are welcome to take and distribute them. The club sponsored a concert to raise money for scholarships and its quarterly community microgrant program. SouthShore Kiwanis members have made a concerted effort to be highly visible at community events, chamber functions, and anywhere they can share Kiwanis.

**Uptown Temple Terrace Kiwanis** is linking up with a sewing club as well as businesses located in the University Mall to support its huge Cops 'n Kids 'n Reading event on June 17<sup>th</sup> from 11 – 3 pm. The club is requesting assistance from other clubs due to the expected size of the event.

# More Division 14 Updates!

Tampa Kiwanis held its annual Incredible Duck Race in April racing more than 10,000 rubber ducks down the Hillsborough River. SouthShore Kiwanis and several Key Clubs participated in event preparation for and during the day. Members participated in Tampa's Paint Your Heart Out event repaint the home of a family with disabled residents. The club has revitalized CKI at USF which is currently with 15 active members. Members got together to restart the annual golf tournament as a fellowship rather than a fundraiser. The club participated in a Safe Kids event at the Westshore Mall to help families prepare their children to be safe around strangers, water, and their environment. Tampa is working with the Children's Board on adjusting the StoryWalk grant to be more manageable. The club will be holding its second combined Kiwanian of the Year and Legion of Honor awards banquet on May 17th. In addition to its regular lunch meetings, Tampa continues meet for coffee at Joffrey's on the 2nd Wednesdays.

Florida Kiwanis Foundation reports there is about \$5 million in the foundation. Clubs should consider applying for non-recurring grants in the amount of \$750 to help with special targeted projects. Only 14 students applied for the 20 J. Walker Field Scholarships. Encourage Kiwanians to become Sustaining Members of the Foundation for \$25/annually. The deadline for the George Langguth Scholarship for Kiwanis family members is May 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Message from Florida Key Club Governor

#### Ishitha (Ishi) Panguluri

I am absolutely thrilled to introduce myself as your Florida District Governor for Key Club International. I am overflowing with optimism and excitement to work with such a talented group of individuals who are deeply passionate about creating a positive impact in their communities. It is an immense honor to serve in this role and lead such a driven team towards our collective goals. I truly believe that this year is going to be an extraordinary one for our district, filled with exciting opportunities to make a difference and spread positivity. Let's work together to achieve our vision and create a brighter future for all!

Every year, the District Governor selects a project for members to implement in their communities. This year, my Governor's Project is All Hands on Deck, which is about ensuring the success of our children by making sure that they have the resources in education and lifestyle to succeed! Some projects you can do with your clubs over the summer are:

- 1. Hygiene Drives
- 2. Book Drives
- 3. Volunteering at soup kitchens
- 4. Organizing kits for foster kids



#### THANK YOU,

2022 - 23 Lt. Governors ALEX, ELYSE, and JENNY and 2022 - 23 District Webmaster ISHI for your great work representing Division 14 Key Clubs.

We wish you much success as your future unfolds. Congratulations to Ishi on being elected Governor and all the best Alex on your campaign for International Trustee.

#### **Division 14 is on Social Media**

**Division 14 is now on Facebook and Instagram**. Please take a moment to like and follow the pages. If you have items for the pages, please send them to Shawn for inclusion at <a href="mailto:shawnhenri@gmail.com">shawnhenri@gmail.com</a>. Join us on Instagram at <a href="https://www.instagram.com/fldiv14/">https://www.instagram.com/fldiv14/</a> or Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/fldiv14">https://www.facebook.com/fldiv14</a>. Please like and follow the other Division 14 Kiwanis clubs at <a href="https://fldiv14kiwanis.weebly.com/clubs.html">https://fldiv14kiwanis.weebly.com/clubs.html</a>.

#### **Elections**

Yes, it is that time again. Please schedule your nomination and election meetings for Board and Officer positions. I encourage you to encourage new members to run for board positions so they can learn about the inner workings of your club and grow into officer positions. Your club will be stronger with a set of leaders-in-waiting who are ready to take over for you so you can do other things in your club and experience the joys of being an active member. **Elections should be completed by June 1st.** Additionally, **Division 14 elected Amanda Malinowski as Lt. Governor-Elect at the May DCM for 2023-24.** We are looking for nominees to serve as Lt. Governor for 2024-25 and Division 14 Foundation Trustee for 2024-25. Will that be you?

#### Kiwanis on the Web

Div. 14 Website

Div. 14 Club Websites

Div. 14 Club Meeting Schedule

Div. 14 DCM Schedule

Div. 14 Calendar

Florida Kiwanis

Florida Kiwanis Foundation

Kiwanis Resources

Kiwanis International Magazine

Cops 'N Kids ' Reading

Social Media Resources

#### **Kiwanis Conventions**

<u>Kiwanis International Convention</u>: June 21 – 24 in Minneapolis, Minnesota Florida District Convention: August 17 -20 at the Omni Orlando Resort at Champions Gate

Remember that each club has a vote in the House of Delegates at both conventions to determine not only the future leadership of Kiwanis, but how the organization will be run through bylaws amendments. The International Convention has a hybrid/online option if expense is a challenge.

#### Go Fund Me

SouthShore Kiwanis President, Kim Przekop, has asked for assistance with helping a friend who needs money to pay for plane tickets to fly back and forth from Tampa to Boston to be with her 11-year-old son who is being treated for leukemia for the 3rd time. Here is the GoFundMe link to assist however you can <a href="https://gofund.me/09273946">https://gofund.me/09273946</a>.

#### **Key Club Conventions, Delinquent Dues, and Elections**

- I want to thank you for supporting our Division 14 Key Clubs and Key Clubbers throughout the year, especially recently with providing funds to transport members to their District Convention in Daytona Beach and for leaders to attend their International Convention in July. In particular, Governor Sharon Moody arranged and negotiated the bus contract. Greater Brandon, Carrollwood, SouthShore, and Tampa divided the bus costs. Key Club Governor Ishi Panguluri, International Trustee Candidate Alex Trinh, and Former Lt. Governor Elyse Mulholland received financial support from the Division account and through special allocations from Greater Brandon, Carrollwood, and Tampa.
- Please check in with your Key Clubs to make sure they have elected officers for 2023-24. As
  the school year nears its end in a few months, please make sure your Key Clubs are well into
  their officer transitions and preparations for the upcoming school year.
- As of April 27<sup>th</sup>, the following Key Clubs had not paid their 2022-23 membership dues: Academy at the Lakes, Sports Leadership and Management Academy Tampa, Robinson High School, Bell Creek Academy, Bloomingdale High School, East Bay High School, and Jule F Sumner High School.

#### Let's Interclub!!!

| Brandon  | Carrollwood   |
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| 1st and 3rd Thursdays (8 am) at The Bridges  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays (Noon) at Brunchies<br>Breakfast, Brunch & Lunch                                       |
| Midtown Tampa  | Plant City  |
| Mondays (12:15) at Harpoon Harry's   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays (Noon) at Children's<br>Board Family Resource Centers                                  |
| SouthShore   | Tampa   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays (11:30 am) at South<br>Hillsborough Elks Lodge 2672                     | 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays (Noon) at Jackson's<br>Bistro<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays (9 am) at Joffrey's Coffee |
| Uptown Temple Terrace  | <b>Details are on the Division 14</b>   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays (6 pm) at Tampa IP -<br>Innovation Partnership<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays (6 pm) on Zoom | <u>Calendar</u> .   |

#### **INTERCLUB REQUIREMENTS**

What are the Interclub Requirements? An interclub meeting is one which is held by two or more Kiwanis clubs or a Kiwanis club and its SLP. For clubs having a membership of twenty (20) or less members, at least 2 members make an interclub meeting. For clubs with a membership of up to thirty (30) members, at least 3 members make an interclub meeting. For clubs with a membership of more than thirty (30) members, at least 4 members make an interclub meeting. Don't forget to check the

#### Lt. Governor Club Visits



Lt. Governor Club Visits are opportunities to share information about what is happening around the Division, District, and International. If you have particular meetings or activities that you would like promoted to the other Division 14 clubs, please let your Lt. Governor know. We can do more when we stay together.

#### **Reminders and Requests**

- Don't forget the **Monthly Report Deadline** of the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month and to **hold elections**.
- Please email Shawn information for the **division newsletter and website**. Also, please send links to any media posts for inclusion on the website too.
- Yours in Service, Lt. Governor Shawn 813-523-3594





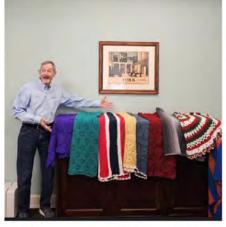






































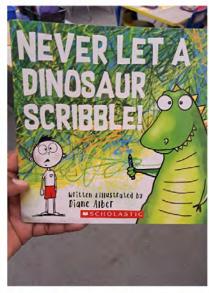
























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