

Serving the Children of the World

One Child, and One Community

at a time.



Ongoing scholarship and grant awards, made to local students & organizations.



Community Service is so rewarding, such as providing "Coats for Kids!"

# Why Should I belong to Kiwanis?

- Do you feel it is important to give back to your community?
- Do you enjoy making an impact in your community?
- Do you enjoy conversation and the opportunity to network with leaders in your community?
- Do you enjoy learning something new with short, entertaining programs on current events and activities?

If you answered "Yes" to even one of these questions, then you would make a great member of our Kiwanis Club!





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Hosting our annual "Kiwanis Peanut Days" allows us to provide grants, scholarships, and MORE to the children right here in Rock Island!

#### What is Kiwanis?

Kiwanis is a thriving International organization of men, women, and youth who are dedicated to serving children. Kiwanis has clubs for all ages, starting with K-Kids Club for elementary students, Builders Club for grades 6 - 9, Key Club for High School students, Circle K for College students, Kiwanis Aktion Clubs for adults with disabilities, and Golden K Clubs for senior citizens. There are 80 countries represented in Kiwanis International. The Rock Island Club is part of Division 17, in the Illinois-Eastern Iowa District.

## When does the Club meet and what happens at a meeting?

The Kiwanis Club of Rock Island holds meetings every 1st, 2nd, and 4th Monday at the Quad City Botanical Center, 2525 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Lunch and fellowship begin at Noon, with the meeting at 12:15 p.m. Each meeting begins with The Pledge of Allegiance, our Kiwanis Pledge, and a prayer of invocation. Next comes Club announcements, reports, and fun-and-fellowship. Our guest speaker begins at 12:30 p.m. and concludes by 1:00 p.m. Board meetings are the 3rd Monday of each month. Members are welcome to attend.

#### How much are Dues?

There is a one-time Kiwanis initiation fee of \$25. Dues are \$25 per month, billed quarterly, plus the cost of the meals for the meetings you attend. Club expenses are kept at an absolute minimum to assure that your dues are spent efficiently.

#### What's in it for me?

You'll have the opportunity to make new friends, expand your network of contacts and develop leadership skills. You will also have the satisfaction of knowing that your efforts impact and improve the quality of life for children in our local communities and beyond. Each year, Rock Island Kiwanians support many local non-profits, and fund several scholarships. We also ensure every student in Rock Island/ Milan school district is ready to learn on day one through the "First Day Fund." You'll become part of a global community of Kiwanis clubs who support each other and work together to make the Quad Cities a better place.

### What is the Kiwanis Mission and Motto?

"To serve the children of the world"

## What kinds of activities do we participate in or sponsor?

Every year, we hold several fundraisers including Rose Day in March/April, Birdies for Charity in May/June, Peanut Day in Sept/Oct, and Holiday Cheese Sales in Oct/Nov. Funds are used to support grants for nonprofits, scholarships for High School Seniors, support The First Day Fund, Coats for Kids, and much more.

# Come join us and be a part of something wonderful!

Any guest in club year 2024-2025 will receive a complimentary lunch at a regular meeting. Contact a club officer below to confirm your visit.







Check us out on Facebook by scanning the QR code above!

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