

Kiwanis[®]

International

Serving the Children of the World[®]

Kiwanis International Update

November 2009

[About this newsletter](#) | [Kiwanis International resources](#) | [Subscribe](#)

[中文](#) | [Deutsch](#) | [Español](#) | [Français](#) | [Italiano](#) | [日本語](#) | [Nederlands](#)

Kiwanis One Day

What is Kiwanis One Day?

[Kiwanis One Day](#) has become one of the most important days on the Kiwanis calendar. That's because worldwide Kiwanis clubs are showing off their best service work. What is Kiwanis One Day? It's a day of service—not fundraising or socializing.

Kiwanis One Day projects should:

- Be hands-on.
- Make a noticeable difference in your community.
- Involve a majority of your club's membership, prospective members and their families, as well as sponsored CKI, Key Club, Builders and K-Kids clubs.
- Make an impact in your community that deserves news media coverage.
- Raise awareness about your club and Kiwanis International.



Download a logo ([eps](#) or [gif](#)) to promote your club's Kiwanis One Day activities in newspapers, e-mails, Web announcements and other materials.

Though Kiwanis One Day is six months away, a project of this scale requires planning. To help, Kiwanis International offers a Kiwanis One Day [Game Plan](#).

Kiwanis story

Growing green

The children of Glenmoor Primary School in Christchurch, New Zealand, eat their vegetables. They do so willingly, even eagerly. Peas, lettuce, beans, turnips ... delicious. It helps that the children grow their own produce, thanks to the Kiwanis Club of Christchurch.



At the request of the school principal, the Kiwanians built raised beds and teach the students how to grow crops, compost, weed and fertilize. The kids learn how certain plants ward off insect attacks.

"On an occasion when I visited the garden, the children were keen to get home with their vegetables," says David Gower, a club past president. "The tragedy is that many parents would know less than the children about what the vegetables were and how to cook them. That's why we're there and how we can help."

***What does the
Glenmoor school's
garden grow?
Pumpkins, leeks,
onions, carrots, herbs,
parsnip, potatoes,
radishes, corn,
cabbage, beets,
onions ... and healthy
children.***

The Kiwanis club built a similar, wheelchair-accessible garden at Burwood Hospital where patients recovering from brain and spinal cord injuries tend the garden. A local building supply store donated soil, plants, building materials and staff volunteers.



Convention updates

Keep in touch

The excitement's building for the 2010 Kiwanis International Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, June 24–27. Here's how to get the latest news:

1. Visit the [2010 Kiwanis Convention](#) Web site.
2. [Register](#) to receive e-mail updates.
3. Read this Kiwanis International Update newsletter for monthly updates.

Give a tweet

Kiwanians are connecting with one another on Twitter! That's where you'll find presidents, secretaries and members sharing ideas, service projects and stories that further the mission of Kiwanis. Follow <http://www.twitter.com/kiwanis> and use it as a resource for your club. Share information and tell your story to fellow Kiwanians and the world.

Dates to remember

November: [Kiwanis Family Month](#) explain what it is

January: Kiwanis Public Awareness Month

January 15: Deadline for [Kiwanis One Day](#) Media Contest entries

January 31: Early registration deadline for [2010 Kiwanis International Convention](#)