

# Mansfield Kiwanis Newsletter

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## Kiwanis March Teacher of the Month: Dawn Bartels

By Greg Barberee

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The Kiwanis Club of Mansfield was honored to recognize its March Teacher of the Month, Dawn Bartels, on Friday, March 11, 2016. Ms. Bartels is a First Grade Teacher at Kenneth Davis Elementary School and decided to become a teacher "later in life." After spending some time assisting at preschools and then graduating with a degree in Education from the University of South Florida in 2010, Ms. Bartel started her teaching career in the Sarasota County Public Schools in Florida. Ms. Bartel's first teaching position was in a Title I School and she fell in love with teaching and helping her students. After her family's relocation from Florida to Mansfield, Ms. Bartel was hired by MISD to teach First Grade at Davis Elementary. Ms. Bartel has continued to teach with a passion for her students while at Davis Elementary; a passion that the school will certainly miss as her family moves



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## Vishal Singh Recognized as Kiwanis Guy of the Month for March

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On Friday, March 11, 2016, the Kiwanis Club of Mansfield recognized Vishal Singh the Kiwanis Guy of the Month for March. Vishal is a Senior at Mansfield High School and plans to enroll at the University of Texas at Dallas following graduation. Additionally, Vishal is the Senior Class President and competes in the 110 M and 300 M Hurdles for the Varsity Track Team. For fun, Vishal enjoys helping others, creating iOS apps, and "battling the enemies of a good life." His philosophy is that

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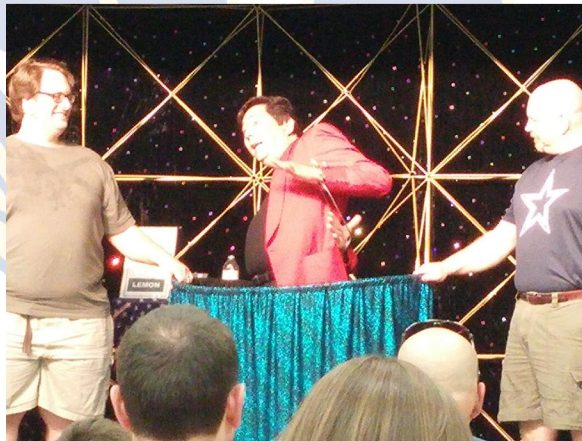
## Mansfield Kiwanis Children's Magic Show

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Magician David Hira dazzled the children and the children at heart during the Mansfield Kiwanis Children's Magic Show on Saturday, March 12, 2015. Approximately 70 people attended the show and were entertained by David's tricks and illusions that included an appearance by his "friend" Jake, escaping from handcuffs, and a magical table made by his Grandfather "from the same wood used to build Santa's sleigh." David also included a special message to the children to have fun with their imagination and remained after the show for pictures and autographs.

The Children's Magic Show has become an annual tradition for the Kiwanis Club of Mansfield and an unofficial kick-off for the MISD Spring Break. The Club would like to recognize the following members: Darryl Haynes & Steve Standefer for planning and scheduling the event; Chuck Cunningham for arriving early to set-up the cafeteria and speaking to the crowd on behalf of Kiwanis; Greg Barberee for arriving early to set-up cafeteria; Carl Shifflette & Phil Stover for attending and greeting all of the visitors; and, all members and friends of Kiwanis that purchased tickets for attending or donating to deserving families and children for their attendance.

Mansfield Kiwanis also thanks its Community Partners for sponsoring the event: Methodist Mansfield Medical Center, Plains Capital Bank and Frost Bank.



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to Little Rock, Arkansas this Summer. Davis Elementary Principal Lacye Redmond also attended the presentation of the award to Ms. Bartel. The Kiwanis Club of Mansfield congratulates Ms. Bartel on being selected as the March Teacher of the Month. Thank you for your dedication and support of the children of MISD!



## Calendar of Events

**Thu Mar 17, 2016**

10am Meals on Wheels

5pm Downtown Mansfield Third Thursdays

Where: Mansfield, TX, USA

**Fri Mar 18, 2016**

6:45am Weekly Club Meeting

Where: Methodist Mansfield Medical Center, 2700 East Broad Street, Mansfield, TX 76063

12pm Habitat Work Day

**Tue Mar 22, 2016**

2:45pm Frontier HS Key Club Meeting

Where: Frontier High School, 1120 W Debbie Ln, Mansfield, TX 7606

**Wed Mar 23, 2016**

3pm Summit HS Key Club Meeting

Where: Summit High School, 1071 Turner Warnell Road, Arlington, TX 76001

**Thu Mar 24, 2016**

10am Meals on Wheels

3pm Mansfield HS Key Club Board Meeting

Where: Mansfield High School, 3001 East Broad Street, Mansfield, TX 76063

6:30pm Division 39 Council Meeting

Where: Catfish Sam's, 2735 W Division St, Arlington, TX 76012, United States

**Fri Mar 25, 2016**

8am Kiwanis Round Table Meeting

Where: Joe's Family Restaurant, 310 N Mitchell Rd, Mansfield, TX 76063

**Sun Mar 27, 2016**

**All day Easter Sunday**

**Wed Mar 30, 2016**

3pm Lake Ridge HS Key Club Meeting

Where: Lake Ridge High School, 101 Day Miar Rd, Mansfield, TX 76063

3pm Summit HS Key Club Meeting

Where: Summit High School, 1071 Turner Warnell Road, Arlington, TX 76001

**Fri Apr 1, 2016**

6:45am Weekly Club Meeting

Where: Methodist Mansfield Medical Center, 2700 East Broad Street, Mansfield, TX 76063

12pm Habitat Work Day



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every day is the best day and it can only get better. Vishal was also instrumental in the organization of *Mansfield Speaks* an event where MHS students shared stories of impact similar to a *Ted* talk. He was awarded the Tiger Pride Award in 2013 and was recognized as the Texas Athletic Amateur Federation Athlete of the Year in 2013. Also attending the presentation of the Kiwanis Guy of the Month Award to Vishal were his parents, Kuldeep Singh and Satvinder Kaur, MHS Principal Jennifer Young, and his friend, Claire. The Kiwanis Club of Mansfield congratulates Vishal on his recognition as the Guy of the Month for March 2016 and wishes him all the best in his future endeavors.

The Kiwanis Guy of the Month Award has been given to deserving MISD Seniors for over two decades. A corresponding "Girl of the Month" award has historically been given by the Women's Division of the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce.

## Member News:

- **March Birthdays:** Steve Grammer (3/7) and Carole Stokes (3/20).
- **March Anniversaries:** Steve & Melody Grammer (3/4) and Bryan & Allison Adkison (3/13).
- **March Kiwanis Anniversaries:** Todd Simmons (15 years on 3/26), Pam Rodrigues (4 years on 3/30), and Greg Barberee (11 years on 3/31).
- Please keep Penny Van Buskirk, Pam Rodrigues, and their families in your thoughts and prayers.
- Please keep Dorothy Langston and her family in your thoughts and prayers for the loss of her son.

## Why Join Mansfield Kiwanis?

### Our Passion: Serving Children

Our service to the children of the world starts in our hometown!

#### SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

The Kiwanis Club of Mansfield sponsors the following service leadership programs:

- Mansfield High School Key Club
- Summit High School Key Club
- Frontier High School Key Club
- Lake Ridge High School Key Club
- Mary Orr Intermediate School Builders Club

Through its Service Leadership Programs, Kiwanis teaches young leaders new ways to change the world by serving one child and one community at a time. Service Leadership is the next step beyond service learning. Once a young person fully understands the concept of learning by helping others, he or she begins to grow personally as a leader.



### **Club Meeting Information:**

The Kiwanis Club of Mansfield meets every Friday morning at 6:45 AM at the Methodist Mansfield Medical Center, 2700 E. Broad ST, Mansfield, TX 76063. **Guests are always invited to join us for breakfast!**

Please contact Greg Barberee at [greg@imsi-usa.com](mailto:greg@imsi-usa.com) if you have any Member news or concerns to share with the Club.

## Member Program Schedule:

Below is the current program schedule assignment for members. The member next to the month is responsible for scheduling speakers/programs for the identified month. If you have any suggestions for speakers, please feel free to share with the members below or with the Club President.

- March: Jerry Grey
- April: Darryl Haynes

#### FEED THE KIDS FOR SUMMER PROGRAM

In 2006 Common Ground created a way to help feed children during the summer that relied on the Federal free or reduced lunch program during the school year by creating the Feed the Kids Program.

Money for this program was in very short supply until The Kiwanis Club of Mansfield heard about the efforts of Common Ground and joined forces to meet the needs of these children. The following year The Mansfield Kiwanis provided substantial financial resources, volunteers and bags to support the Feed the Kids Program.

The number of children served has increased more than four fold since its inception. The Mansfield Kiwanis continue to support the Feed the Kids for Summer Program. Club Member Phil Stover is a Co-Chair of this program.

#### ADDITIONAL SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY BY THE KIWANIS CLUB OF MANSFIELD

- Annually award multiple scholarships to MISD Seniors.
- Monthly recognition of a MISD Teacher of the Month.
- Monthly recognition of MISD Guys of the Month.
- Nursing Home Bingo: Each month we, along with members of our Key Clubs, provide a night of "Bingo" at the Mansfield Care Center, on East Broad.
- Meals on Wheels: Kiwanis members deliver Meals on Wheels to home bound community members every Thursday.
- Beautification Days: Our members historically assist with Citywide Cleanup Days.
- Habit for Humanity: We help with volunteers and fund raising for Habitat projects in Mansfield.
- Financial Support to North Central Texas Alzheimer's Association.