

A message from Barb:

I am seeking the office of Kiwanis International Vice President because I am committed to our purpose of improving the world one child and one community at a time. The Kiwanis mission of "Serving the children of the world" is the same as my life's work in education.

My education experience, from teacher, to assistant superintendent of a large school district, to education consultant, has prepared me for this position. My experience in Kiwanis has also prepared me for this position. I have listened to, worked with, and learned from club members throughout Kiwanis International. I have learned club opening and club strengthening strategies, have opened more than 50 clubs, and serve as coach to four clubs. I have signed up hundreds of new Kiwanis members.

I will focus on increasing and diversifying membership. It is the key to our ability to serve children and communities and to our ability to sustain our Service Leadership programs. It is also key to financial stability and a strong future in which we continue to improve the world. My plan is to engage Kiwanians at all levels in the important work of growing. I understand the work and the rewards of opening and strengthening clubs and being able to serve more children, starting at birth. I also understand the risks of not growing. Now, more than ever, as we struggle with a global pandemic, #KidsNeedKiwanis.

I humbly and respectfully ask for your vote.



Son Chuck, granddog Zoey,
daughter Leslie, and Leslie's husband Bill



Charlie and Barb



Kiwanis

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Kiwanis

 *Elect*

Barb Thompson

**KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
VICE PRESIDENT**

**Proudly Presented and Unanimously
Endorsed by the Missouri-Arkansas
District Delegates-At-Large**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Retired assistant superintendent of large suburban school district
- Educational consultant for St. Louis area school districts
- Member of many professional organizations



Club Opening in Malaysia, 2019

COMMUNITY AWARDS:

- De Soto High School Hall of Fame
- NCCU President's Award for Promoting Racial Harmony and Social Justice
- Christian Hospital Foundation Drum Major Award
- Hazelwood School District Community Partnership Award
- *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* Thanks for Giving Award
- *Town&Style* Reaching Out Award



Key Club International Board, 2015-2016

OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Board of Directors, Good Shepherd School for Children, 2010-2017, Chair (2 years)
- Vice President of North County Churches Uniting (NCCU) for Racial Harmony & Justice
 - Coordinate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Oratory Contest, Adult & Youth Awards Dinners
 - North County Youth Task Force secretary
- Mentor to students and educators
- North Star District, Greater St. Louis Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America Nominating Committee Chair and Member-at-Large



Check Presentation for The Eliminate Project, 2014

KIWANIS EXPERIENCE:

CLUB & DIVISION LEVEL:

- Committee Chair
- Vice President
- CKI Sponsor
- Director
- President
- Key Club Sponsor
- Secretary
- Lt. Governor
- Terrific Kids

DISTRICT:

- Certified Club Leadership Instructor
- Convention & Conference Presenter
- Governor
- Key Leader Chaperone
- Parliamentarian
- Past Governors Chair
- Strategic Plan Chair
- TAG Team, Formula Team, Membership Coordinator
- Missouri-Arkansas District Foundation President

MEMBERSHIP:

- Club Coach: Four clubs
- Club Opener: Over 50 clubs, hundreds of new members
- Eye of the Tiger Team, World Vice Chair, & Formula Team
- Kiwanis International District Grant Review Committee
- Area Membership Coordinator

THE ELIMINATE PROJECT:

- Multi-Division Coordinator
- Speakers' Bureau
- Charter Zeller
- Major Donor
- Gold Club Member (2 clubs)

HONORS:

- Centennial Award
- Distinguished Member
- George F. Hixson Award
- Formula Legacy Circle, Platinum Level
- Key Club International President's Award
- Kiwanis International Children's Fund Founders Circle
- 4 Missouri-Arkansas District Governor's Awards
- Missouri-Arkansas District CKI Builder Award
- Ohio District Outstanding Governor's Support Award
- Ruby Key Awards
- Taiwan District Governor's Distinguished Leader Award
- Walter Zeller Fellowship, Diamond Level 2
- Zimmerman Award, Missouri-Arkansas District



FOUR KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEES

KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEE:

- **Board Counselor:** Belgium-Luxembourg, Georgia, Illinois-Eastern Iowa (2 years), Nebraska-Iowa, Ohio, Southwest, Taiwan, Wisconsin-Upper Michigan
- **Key Club International Board Counselor**
- **Key Club International Strategic Planning Committee**
- **Committees:** Audit & Finance; Executive; Governance (Acting Chair); Membership & Education (3 years), Co-Chair (1 year); Public Relations, Image & Marketing

FAMILY:

- Married to Charlie
- Children: Chuck & Leslie



EDUCATION:

- B.S. - Southeast Missouri State College
- M.S. - University of Missouri-St. Louis
- Ed.D. in Educational Leadership - St. Louis University