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## Kiwanis presents \$500 check to Osage Youth Athletic Council OYAC



Jason Hynson, Kiwanis President presents a \$500 check to Cherie Faulconer to help make sure that all kids that want to play a particular sport can obtain the uniforms and equipment.

OYAC offers programs in: Cheerleading, Flag Football, Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Baseball, Golf, Wrestling and Bowling.



So just who helps fund and run the various kids' sports programs? OYAC does.

What is OYAC: "The Osage Youth Athletics Council is made up of parent volunteers who share the same goal of providing a safe, productive, and enjoyable experience in whichever intramural sport or sports your child decides to participate. The majority of the Council members have been involved in youth sports for many years as coaches, board members, and league directors. Based on past experiences, OYAC strives to improve the quality of our offerings season after season.

We want to give all of our kids an opportunity to play, and we encourage parents to allow their kids to experience a wide variety of activities so that they can better choose what they like to play before joining competitive-type teams.

Funds from Kiwanis and other donors are used to sponsor some lake area kids who have financial need that want to participate in the program(s). The costs associated with each program varies but examples of items it goes towards include uniform, jersey, t-shirts, equipment, insurance...

For more information or to help support please go to http://www.osageyouthsports.com/

Ozark Coast Kiwanis is one of the largest service organizations at the Lake. All funds raised go back to the Lake Community to support dozens of children focused programs that depend on Kiwanis to fund and run their programs.

Kiwanis fundraisers that you might recognize as sponsored by Kiwanis include:

5K Run/Walk to the Beach over the Community Bridge...April 18, 2015 Annual Peanut Day May 22, 2015 Duck Drop & Duck Drop Golf Tournament July 31 & August 1<sup>st</sup> 2015 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Bikes...year round Christmas for Kids...December 13, 2015

Plus we provide volunteer support to many community wide events.

Some of the groups that we support/sponsor include: Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boy & Girl Scouts, CADV, Feed The Children, Hope House, Lake Regional Hospital, Parents as Teachers, Share The Harvest, Wonderland Camp, YMCA...Key Club, Key Leader, Builder's Club, College Scholarships.

Kiwanis Club of Ozark Coast was organized in 1988. We have proudly served Lake Community children for 26 years.

We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit charitable foundation. Our club members are service-minded men and women from all segments of the community. We meet every Thursday, at **Ozark Yacht Club**, 12 noon to 1:00 pm for lunch, fellowship, discussion of club business, and a program presented by community business people on topics of interest such as community issues, public affairs, service, or entertainment. (Members do not have to attend every week...just when you can and be willing to help volunteer).

We'd love for you to join us for good times as we work together to better the lives of the children in our community. Please join us at our next meeting or contact our Club President for more information.