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Kiwanis Presents \$300 Check to Lake Ozark Fire Department Kids Programs

Matt Birdsley, Assistant Chief, Lake Ozark Fire Department was the Kiwanis speaker on May 21st.

Did you know?...Lake Ozark Fire Protection District

- Covers 42 square miles
- 4 fire stations (3 staffed & 1 for training)
- plus a Marine Division to assist with water front fires
- averages 1,200+ emergency calls per year.
- Runs Mutual Aid calls to neighboring districts especially right across the Community Bridge

Kids Programs & Community Service

- Has 5 Certified car seat installers and donate 100 car seats per year
- Teach safe boating and donate life jackets for kids
- Safe Sitter Courses for ages 13 and up...includes CPR training
- Teaches Safe Kids for younger kids
- Shop With A Fireman at Christmas for kids that would not otherwise have a Christmas

Kiwanis' donations to the Fire Department are focused on the kids programs but there are lots of other needs that your donations can help...i.e. each new ladder truck costs between \$500,000 - \$1,000,000.



Pictured above... Bob White, Kiwanis Vice-President presents a \$300 check to Matt Birdsley, Assistant Chief Lake Ozark Fire Department

For more detailed info on programs, to donate and to see pictures of area fire fighting please go to <http://www.lofpd.com/index.asp>

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 1st 2015

2nd 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.