



The Line Up

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2025 SUMMER ISSUE

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Love Those Barnstormers!

The Iowa Barnstormers Arena football team again joined us for an evening of fun on June 12th. Members of the entire team served as our “angels” with over 50 KML players joining in on the fun. A true toss up as to who had more fun—our KML players or the Barnstormers?

This event has become an annual tradition—all look forward to evening of fun baseball!



Alias Johnson, Community Relations Manager, and various metro Fareway Store managers, presented a BIG CHECK to KML board members in June.

Fareway Round Up

Local FAREWAY stores hosted a significant event that will benefit all of our Miracle Leagues here in the Des Moines area. When you shopped at FAREWAY any time during May 12-17, you hopefully were asked if you would like to “round up” the amount of your purchase. This “round up” money was donated by the FAREWAY Stores to our Leagues. The May Roundup results are in! Thanks to you and FAREWAY STORES, we received a check for \$3,000!

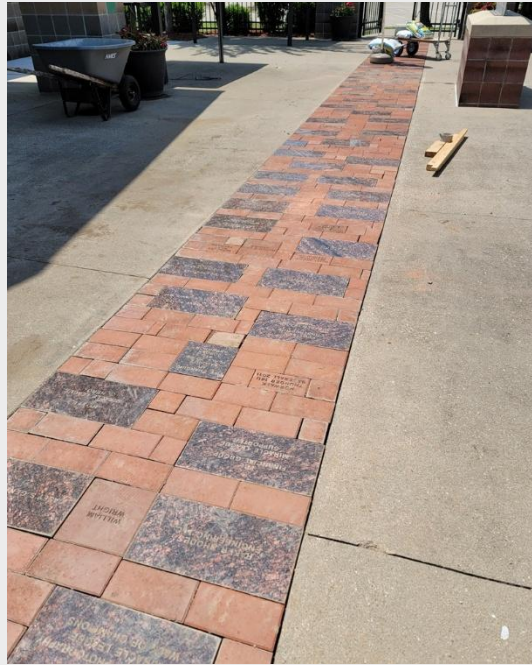


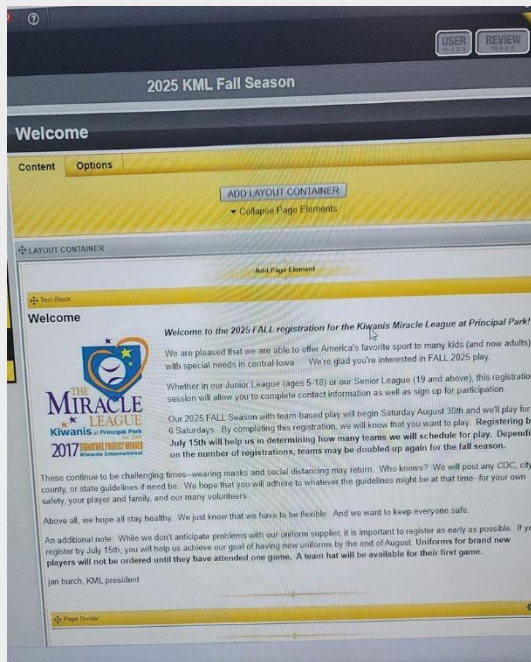
KML Ballpark Updates

Our KML Facilities Committee, headed up by Bob Syroyka, has already been busy during the “off season.” Through the help of Kaufman Construction, the Kaufman employees power washed and stained our Memory Garden pergola and beautified the south side of our field with some landscaping. And I & I Concrete re-laid ALL of the engraved pavers in our Walk of Champions so that all are again straight, smooth, and readable. Thanks to Kaufman Construction employees for AGAIN helping us!



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Fall Registration Now Open

Yes, it's time to register for our 2025 Fall Season. We open Saturday, August 30, and will play six Saturdays through October 4. Even though you registered for spring, you **MUST** register for fall play. It's important that you register by the first week in August so that we can determine our team schedule. Here's the link to

register: <https://kiwanismiracleleague.sportngin.com/register/form/221018403>



2025 Team Sponsors to Date

It's not too late to join our growing list of 2025 Team Sponsors: Thanks to the generosity of those listed below we continue to be able to make our KML experience free to all.

Kiwanis Clubs of:

Des Moines Golden K (quadruple)
Johnston
West Des Moines

Corporate/Individuals:

Ann McGowan in Memory of Terry McGowan,
Buresh Home Solutions
Christ the King/Knights of Columbus #13159 (double)
Danish Brotherhood Lodge #15
Iowa State Bank employees
Jonathan Lund/City of DM
Marcia Munger/Keller Williams

Middendorf Insurance

Mary Langdon

Sally Ehlert

Sogeti

Stanley Consultants in Honor of Sabrina Kriebel's retirement

Turner Construction Company



Volunteer Groups Are Truly “Angels”

And everyone should know that we can't make our KML experience what it is without the support of our many volunteer buddies –both groups and individuals.

Here are some of the groups who volunteered this spring:

SE Polk HS Girls Softball team, Tia Stiles, coach

Valley HS Girls Softball team, Tom Bakey, coach

Lincoln HS Girls Softball team, Nick Ellis, coach

Dowling Catholic HS Varsity Baseball team, Jarek Sefrit coach

Dowling Catholic HS Soph Baseball Team, Jarek Sefrit, coach

Dowling Catholic HS Frosh Baseball team, Jarek Sefrit, coach

Nike Outlet Store

The Basinger Family

Roosevelt HS Girls Softball team, Christina Smith, coach

Pella HS Girls Softball team, Katie Banowetz, coach

St Andrews Episcopal Church

The Anderson Family

Plymouth Church Women's Group

Northwick 6

Sogeti Technologies

Indianola Girls Softball team, Stacy Evans, coach

Valley HS Baseball team, Colton Bauman, coach

Johnston Girls SoftBall Team, Richard Calvert, coach

North Polk HS Girl Softball team, Addyson Pender, coach

New Life Church

Plymouth Church Matins

Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services

Ballard Bombers baseball team

Des Moines Capitols hockey team





Pella HS Girls Are Truly Champions!

Special congratulations to the Pella HS Girls Softball Team for winning the Iowa Class 4A State Championship this month. The team served as our buddies on May 31, showing that they truly are champions all around.



The West Des Moines Kiwanis Club was one of the many groups who helped out in the concession stand this spring. Walking tacos continue to be a crowd pleaser!

Concession Volunteers Pop Lots of Popcorn

Who doesn't like a hot dog or a bag of popcorn at the ballpark? And thanks to our many volunteer groups, we're able to supply those ballpark favorites to any and all of our spectators, players, and volunteers.

Thanks to the following groups who helped out this spring:

Johnston Kiwanis Club
 Knights of Columbus
 Pearson Bollman Law
 Golden K DM Kiwanis
 West DM Kiwanis
 Polk City Kiwanis
 Grand Woods HOA
 Indianola Kiwanis Club

West Bank employees
Windsor UMC
Faith Lutheran Church
Danish Brotherhood
the Sanders Family

Calendar of Events

August 21 KML Board Meeting
August 30 Fall Season Begins
September 6 KML Games
September 13 KML Games
September 15 Rescheduled DMPD/FD All Star Games
September 18 KML Board Meeting
September 20 KML Games
September 27 KML Games
October 4 Last Day of Fall Season
October 10 Halloween/Trophy/Pizza Party
October 16 KML Board Meeting
