Use these key messages to talk about Kiwanis’ centennial year in 2015.

**Kiwanis International:**
- Kiwanis International is a global organization with nearly 630,000 members in clubs located in more than 80 nations
- Kiwanis club members perform service projects to improve their communities
- Kiwanis’ service projects further Kiwanis International’s motto of serving the children of the world. Efforts are focused on work that improves the lives of children

**Kiwanis Centennial Celebration:**
- Kiwanis is 100 years strong and excited to celebrate this milestone 100th anniversary in 2015
- Kiwanis has a proud history of thousands of members and clubs around the world making a difference in their communities
- As Kiwanis celebrates its first 100 years, it looks to the future as it enters the next 100 years of making a difference in the world

**Kiwanis facts**
- Kiwanis began in January 1915 in Detroit, Michigan and will kick off the Centennial Celebrations there, January 23–24
- Kiwanis is celebrating 100 years of service, fellowship and creating change in communities around the world
- In the United States, Kiwanis club members are known for playground builds, parades, book drives, pancake breakfasts and a host of other activities to help children and communities thrive and grow. Globally, members complete projects that benefit their communities
- Kiwanis International President Dr. John Button will visit 12 cities during a Centennial Tour to participate in a celebration party and to give the gift of play to 11 of those communities
- Centennial tour stops are Seattle, WA; Atlanta, GA; Orlando, FL; Los Angeles, CA; Taipei, Taiwan; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; St. Louis, MO; New York, NY; Chicago, IL; Milan, Italy; Luxembourg, Luxembourg and Indianapolis, IN
- In 2015, Kiwanis will celebrate the end of the fundraising phase to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus from the globe with partners UNICEF and U.S. Fund.
Party time
• The annual Kiwanis International convention will be June 25–28 in Indianapolis, IN, home to Kiwanis International's office
• Kiwanians will celebrate 100 years of service at the convention, along with Circle K, Key Club and Aktion Club members
• Kiwanians will host a Monumental Pancake Lunch on The Circle in downtown Indianapolis on Thursday, June 25, with pancakes made by the panc-a-tron from the Kiwanis Club of Park Forest, IL; They’ll also host a birthday party, complete with cake and a band, on Georgia Street near the convention center, and a night of baseball and fireworks at Victory Field on Friday, June 26

Specifics about the convention
• Shorter educational sessions focused on key areas, including the new iPlan, Kiwanis' Strategic Plan: membership and engagement, meaningful service, marketing and image and financial viability
• TED-style idea exchanges featuring success stories, workshops, an exhibit hall full of opportunities and the Kiwanis store
• Pre-convention education tracks open to the public and nonprofit organizations will help sharpen skills in public relations, fundraising and event planning. All sessions led by industry pros
• Indianapolis is an easily walkable city, and most hotels include climate-controlled walkways with direct access to the convention center

Next Century Gala
• While nearly every event at the convention is casual and fun, the Next Century Gala is a special black-tie evening featuring a concert by Up with People and a band with big-band sound for dancing. This will be the time to celebrate in style

Indianapolis at a glance
• A city of monuments, Indianapolis is second only to Washington, D.C. with 33 memorials and monuments, the most famous being Monument Circle
• Indianapolis was planned by Alexander Ralston, who apprenticed under Pierre L'Enfant, the French architect who designed Washington, D.C.
• Indianapolis has a walkable downtown, featuring a Cultural Trail that links significant neighborhoods on an easy walking path. Bikes are available to rent and ride along the paved trail
• Look for Lucas Oil Stadium, home of the Indianapolis Colts; Bankers Life Fieldhouse, home of the Indiana Pacers and Indiana Fever and Victory Field, home of the Indianapolis Indians
• Just a few minutes from downtown is the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, home of the legendary Indianapolis 500 - the world’s largest single-day sporting event - and NASCAR's Brickyard 400 and other Formula One and motorcycle races. Visit the Speedway Museum and see cars that won the “500” in the past
• While downtown, visit Circle Centre Mall, connected to many major hotels via skyways
• Children and adults will love the Indianapolis Children's Museum, the Indianapolis Zoo with the new Simon Skjodt International Orangutan Center, a one-of-a-kind facility designed by some of the world’s leading experts on orangutans
• The zoo, the Eiteljorg Museum and the Indiana State Museum are in White River State Park, which connects to the Canal Walk, a water feature that is part of the Indiana Central Canal, dug in the early 1800s to facilitate interstate commerce. Walk or jog the canal, or rent a pedal boat from the Indiana State Museum

Visit www.kiwanis.org/100 for more detailed information.