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August 5-8

Circle K
International
Convention
Birmingham, AL

August 28-30

District Convention
Durham, NC

Oct & Nov

Regional Meetings
Stay tuned!

October 4

Key Club
Fall Rally

October 9-11

Aktion Club
District Convention
Haw River
State Park

October 23-25

Kiwanis Family
Conference

February 5-6

MidYear
Conference
Kingston Plantation

Greetings!

My last letter was written just prior to attending the 94th Annual Kiwanis Convention in Nashville, Tennessee. The Carolinas District was well represented again this year with over 200 delegates attending the four day event. I thank our "On to Convention" chair and Past Governor, Stan Perry, for planning a delightful district dinner at BB King's. The meal was delicious and we had a great time of fellowship with everyone. Paul Palazzolo from Springfield, Illinois was elected President for the 2009-2010 administrative year. I had the pleasure of knowing President Paul while he served as a Distinguished Key Club Governor in 1983-1984. Sylvester Neal from the Pacific Northwest District was elected President-Elect and Alan Penn from the Ohio District is our new Vice-President. Also, we elected five new Trustees to serve our organization. I congratulate these fine Kiwanians and I know we look forward to their leadership.

Our District convention will be held in Durham in just a few short weeks. There is still time to register; see page 7 for registration form. Our goal is to have as many clubs represented as we can. On Friday, we want to recognize Club Presidents and Presidents-elect that are in attendance. Last year in Winston Salem our delegates adopted a Trustee Plan for our District. This year we will elect nine trustees for the nine designated regions. I believe this will allow our District leadership to be more effective in reaching out to clubs in the Carolinas.

We have promoted membership retention and recruitment for our clubs this year. This is a critical time for Kiwanis in growing our organization. We still have time to bring in new members and end our year with positive growth. I want to encourage each and every member to invite a friend, a co-worker or a neighbor to attend a club meeting. Once again, I believe we need more members, not to just grow our membership but to provide service to more children and less fortunate people in our local communities.

I thank you for having given me this opportunity to serve this great District as your Governor, and I look forward to seeing many of you on Friday, August 28th.

Yours in Kiwanis,

Governor David





Build for the future

By Don Canaday, Kiwanis International President

Though the Kiwanis International convention is over, we are but one-third of the way through our annual convention season.

Meeting this month [July] in Dallas, Texas, [Key Club International](#) is celebrating service with workshops, speakers, entertainment, a service fair and fundraising for the Children's Miracle Network.

Then in August, the stars fall on Alabama when [Circle K International](#) members meet for their convention in Birmingham. During the 2009 convention, Circle K students plan a full range of activities, including a blood drive, service fair and elections. Prior to gaveling their convention to order, students will arrive a few days early to take part in Circle K's Large Scale Service Project.

This year, Circle K has chosen several projects, and the students' work will make a difference in the lives of a number of children and a number of agencies and organizations during their visit.

Some of the most important work we do in Kiwanis is building the future for young people through the Kiwanis family of organizations—Kiwanis Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K, Aktion Club and Key Leader. Through these programs, young people and adults living with disabilities can earn scholarships, experience the fun and fellowship of conventions or help a community through a service project.

I encourage members and clubs to support Kiwanis' youth programs, to help student members to discover more about themselves and the world by participating in service projects, leadership training and awareness-building experiences such as Key Leader.

By investing your time in their success, you sow the seeds of growth, demonstrating that they will always have a home with Kiwanis. With this, we can harvest that growth—that lifelong commitment of service and caring—for the good of children everywhere.

Support Service Leadership Programs.

Charter new clubs and help chart Kiwanis' future.





Carolinas District Convention Sheraton Imperial, Durham August 28-30, 2009

Tentative Agenda – Times Subject to Change

Friday, August 28, 2009				
9:00 am – 11:30 am	District Board Meeting			
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Registration Open			
7:30 pm	Opening Session with Dessert Social– Club Presidents and Clubs with SLPs to be recognized			
Saturday, August 29, 2009				
7:00 am – 10:00 am	Registration Open			
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Ticketed Leadership Breakfast (Buffet)			
8:00 am – 8:30 am	Question & Answer Forum with International and District Officers			
8:40 am – 9:10 am	Division Caucuses to elect Lt. Governors for the next two years			
9:15 am – 9:45 am	Regional Meetings to elect Trustees			
10:00 am – 10:55 am Concurrent Forums	Relevant Service – Part I	Club Liability Issues	SLP 101	From Good to Great
11:05 am – 12:00 Noon Concurrent Forums	Relevant Service Part II		What it takes to be an SLP Sponsor	From Good to Great
12:30 pm	Luncheon with Keynote Speaker Gary Faircloth, President of the Boys and Girls Homes of NC			
2:30 pm	Delegate Certification (for those who were not certified at registration)			
3:00 pm	District House of Delegates – to elect District Governor/Governor-Elect			
7:00 pm	Governor’s Gala Banquet - black tie optional			
Sunday, August 30, 2009				
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Memorial Service Breakfast			
10:15 am	District Trustee Orientation Session			

Saturday Forum Descriptions:

Relevant Service:

Come analyze your club’s projects to improve them and to develop your club’s signature project.

Liability Issues: Insurance is not boring, come to this informative workshop and learn about the insurance products provided to your Kiwanis club; what crazy claims have your fellow clubs experienced and how to prevent your club from experiencing a catastrophic loss, that may or may not be covered. Did you even know your club has insurance? Find out what is covered and what is not and whether your club might need any additional coverages.

SLP 101: Did you know there are eight different Service Leadership Programs? This workshop will provide an overview of the SLPs and outline the responsibilities of club sponsorship.

What it takes to be an SLP Sponsor: The success of a Service Leadership Program depends greatly on the support provided by the sponsoring Kiwanis club. Learn the resources needed to effectively nurture the various SLP clubs.

Going from Good to Great: Are you a member of a great Kiwanis club? Are you proud to invite people to join your club? Do you look forward to your club meetings? Learn how a simple analysis and some basic planning can enrich your club experience. You and your club members will benefit by your participation in this workshop.



District Convention

Boys and Girls Home of NC President/CEO Gary Faircloth to speak at Saturday Convention Banquet



Gary Faircloth, who resided in Michigan prior to his return to Lake Waccamaw, is just the sixth permanent director of Boys and Girls Homes of NC, Inc. Founded as Boys Homes, a home for boys in 1954, the agency became Boys and Girls Homes of North Carolina, Inc. ca. August 1970 following a merger with Girls Haven. Today, the Homes provide both residential and foster care/adoption services to children ages birth to twenty-one.

Faircloth has a unique relationship with the Homes in that as a youth he was a resident of Boys Homes from 1964 to 1966. In fact, Gary says "I may be the only boy who ran away from home to become a resident of the Homes. After a visit to see my brother Ron who was living at Boys Homes, I saw all the things he had that I didn't – his own bed, nice clothing, good food to eat, a warm and comfortable home. Following that visit I returned to my mother's place and decided that I wanted the things my brother had. After an unfruitful visit to my father who had abandoned my family I returned to Boys Homes and begged Mr. Rube McCray, the Homes director to allow me to stay. That began a wonderful change in direction in my life."

Kiwanis Cottage was home for Faircloth much of the time he lived at the Homes. During his senior year in high school there were thirteen high school seniors among the residents. Faircloth fondly recalls he and the other graduates walking out of Kiwanis Cottage onto the grounds to cheers and adulations of the assembled staff and other residents in celebration of their graduation. His was the largest group of high school graduates ever from the Homes and seven of the thirteen went on to college.

After graduating from college, Faircloth returned to Boys and Girls Homes as an employee from 1972-88, working in several capacities: Director of Social Services, Educational Coordinator, Associate Campus Director, Civic Club Coordinator, Director of Planned Giving, and Director of Development. He was also co-owner/operator of Penn's Grill in Whiteville (originally owned by his wife's parents) from 1973 to 1977. In 1988 he became Trust/Business Development Officer for United Carolina Bank (now BB&T). Faircloth then took a position as Vice President for Starr Commonwealth Schools in Albion, MI. from 1990 to 2002. Following that he was co-owner/operator of Captain Luey's Calabash Seafood Restaurant in Battle Creek, Michigan. In July 2008, Faircloth and his wife Betty returned to Lake Waccamaw where he became President/CEO of Boys and Girls Homes of NC.

Faircloth says he is excited about but humbled to be working again at Boys and Girls Homes. "Boys and Girls Homes played an important role in my life and in the lives of thousands of otherwise 'on-the-street' children since its founding by A.D. Peacock. Sad to say, the need for the Homes is greater than ever. The abuse and neglect of children still permeates each community in each state throughout our country. I appreciate this opportunity to be a part of an agency that offers comfort, guidance, and support to the children who need the care of those who have a passion for children. I am grateful to the members of the Carolinas Kiwanis Family for the role they played in my life. Kiwanis Cottage at Boys and Girls Homes was my home and where I learned many of the values that guide me in my role as a husband, father, grandfather, and now leader of this wonderful organization that is there for children who often have no other refuge."



REGISTRATION FORM

Carolinas District Kiwanis Convention
 SHERATON IMPERIAL HOTEL
 DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

August 28 - 30, 2009



REGISTER ONLINE! WWW.CAROLINAKIWANIS.ORG

SECTION 1:

CLUB NAME: _____ **DIVISION:** _____

SECTION 2: NAMES OF THOSE ATTENDING: (Will be printed on name badge)

	LAST NAME for Badge	FIRST NAME for Badge	OFFICE/TITLE <small>(write NONMEMBER if Guest)</small>	RATE: <small>(Table below)</small>	ADD Leadership Breakfast?	TOTAL DUE:
1					\$20.00	
2					\$20.00	
3					\$20.00	
4					\$20.00	

SECTION 3: CONTACT INFORMATION FOR CONFIRMATIONS AND UPDATES (PLEASE PRINT)

NAME:			
ADDRESS LINE 1:			
ADDRESS LINE 2:			
CITY, STATE, ZIP			
CONTACT NUMBERS	HOME	WORK	CELL
EMAIL ADDRESS			

SECTION 4: CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fee includes all conference materials, convention program, use of the Sheraton Imperial Convention Center facilities, event production (including professional lighting and sound), Friday night opening session/social with dessert, Saturday luncheon, Saturday night banquet with entertainment and Sunday breakfast memorial service. 4 total food functions!

	RATE PLAN:	RATE FOR EACH KIWANIS MEMBER	RATE FOR EACH GUEST (NON MEMBER)	POSTMARK BY DATE:
1	EARLY BIRD RATE	\$125.00	\$115.00	JULY 17, 2009
2	REGULAR RATE	\$135.00	\$125.00	JULY 31, 2009
3	LATE RATE	\$145.00	\$125.00	APPLIES TO ANY REGISTRATION POSTMARKED AFTER JULY 31, 2009
4	ON-SITE RATE	\$145.00**	\$125.00**	ON-SITE (Food Not Guaranteed)

**** PLEASE register early to get the best rate!!!** There is no guarantee that food functions will be available for your attendance if you register on-site; seating and food service will be on a first registered basis after JULY 31st until we have reached the maximum # we can accommodate. There will be no reduction in the rate paid if meals are not available. Please do not mail registrations after AUGUST 12, 2009. (Faxed or online registrations accepted until 12:00 pm on August 17, 2009)

SPECIAL LEADERSHIP BREAKFAST ON SATURDAY MORNING! A special Kiwanis leadership breakfast has been added for Saturday morning! A full buffet breakfast, with a presentation on leadership, will be offered as an additional networking opportunity. Only \$20.00 per member, add this fee to the funds sent in to reserve your spot.

SECTION 5: HOTEL INFORMATION FOR RESERVATIONS

Hotel Reservations should be made directly with the OFFICIAL CONVENTION hotel AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

Guaranteed conference rates expire on August 7, 2009:

Sheraton Imperial Hotel - \$93.00 per night. Call 1-800-325-3535

To insure your special KIWANIS rate, identify yourself as a Carolinas District Kiwanis Conference Attendee

YOU CAN ALSO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION ONLINE DIRECTLY TO THE KIWANIS ROOM BLOCK USING THE FOLLOWING LINK:

<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/StarGroupsWeb/booking/reservation?id=0812163082&key=4367D>

SECTION 6: PAYMENT INFORMATION * MAILING INSTRUCTIONS * REFUND POLICY

(Payment may be made by Credit Card, Debit Card, or Check/Money Order)



REFUND POLICY:

Refunds will be made for any registration cancelled in writing to the address below postmarked by July 31st, 2009. After July 31st, we will be unable to issue refunds for any cancellations; in the event of an emergency, substitutions will be accommodated. You are responsible for cancelling your own hotel reservations.

DO NOT CALL THE KIWANIS DISTRICT OFFICE WITH CANCELLATIONS.

**TOTAL FEES DUE
BASED ON PAGE 1:**

\$

Mail Conference Registration to:
(AND CHECK IF APPLICABLE)

**Conference Registration
Carolinas District Kiwanis
2008 Pinecrest Drive
Greenville, NC 27858**

OR

**FAX YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO:
(404) 920 - 2200**

Questions?

**Call Scott at Registration Processing:
1-704-968-1051**

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CHECK, MONEY ORDER OR THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN THE AUTHORIZATION FORM TO THE RIGHT. REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT PROPER PAYMENT.

CHECK PAYABLE TO:

CAROLINAS DISTRICT KIWANIS

Name of Cardholder (Printed on card)

Cardholder Address -Required (Billing Address)

Cardholder Address -Required (City, State & Zip)

_____ Mastercard _____ Visa

Credit Card Number

Expiration Date

Security Code

3 digit number code on back of card

By signing below, I authorize Carolinas District Kiwanis to process funds from this credit or debit card; I acknowledge that I have read and understood all policies regarding fees and refunds as indicated and agree to these terms and conditions.

\$ _____
Amount of Charge

Cardholder Authorized Signature

COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORMS WITH CREDIT CARD PAYMENT CAN BE FAXED TO 404-920-2200 UNTIL 12:00 PM ON AUGUST 17, 2009. MAILED RESERVATIONS WITH CHECK OR CREDIT CARD MUST BE POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 12, 2009. REGISTER ONLINE THROUGH AUGUST 17, 2009 AT 12:00 PM. PLEASE DO NOT FAX OR MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION FORMS TO THE KIWANIS DISTRICT OFFICE.



Club News



This year **Greenville-Eastside Kiwanis Club** has developed a special project with Camp Spearhead. They provided campers with a special hangout spot and a keepsake photo frame to take home and show off to their parents. Special Kiwanis acknowledgements on the photo frame holders allow Kiwanis to get awareness in the community. Most of their Aktion Club members attend Camp Spearhead.

Club members assembled and painted 8 Adirondack chairs in bright colors for a special "hangout spot". The chairs represent an area where campers can relax, socialize with friends or take photos. Since the chairs are portable, they can be

transferred to the new campsite opening Summer 2010.

The club designed keepsake photo frame holders for the "cabin picture" that is given to over 600 campers during the summer. The photo frame includes the Kiwanis mission statement, Kiwanis International logo, Carolinas District Foundation acknowledgement and Greenville-Eastside's website.

Camp Spearhead, founded in 1968 and located in the foothills of upstate SC, is a residential special needs camp for children (8 and up) and adults with special needs. Each summer Spearhead serves nearly 600 campers over the course of the eight week season.

The **Kiwanis Club of Mint Hill**, continuing a program begun for the first time last year, provided more than 600 dictionaries, at a cost of more than \$1000, to local elementary schools. Every third-grader at four schools received a dictionary.

The response from the third-graders was very rewarding. They were appreciative and thankful, especially since the dictionaries were their own personal copy. Hopefully these gifts will enhance their reading, writing, and conversational skills as they move on to coming school years.

Shown presenting the dictionaries at Lebanon Rd Elementary School, are from left to right, Tina Ross, Margarete Allion, and Gregory Klein.



In Memorium

Division	Club & Member
6	Claudie Lewis, Jr.
6	Charlotte—Bernard Groseclose
6	Meckelnburg Charlotte— Quentin Anderson, Jr.
8	Edward R. Murrow Golden K— William Smith
8	Gate City—Walter Hornig
10	Sanford—Ed Flaherty
17	Golden K Greenville—Emil Nicolaysen
24	Conway—Perry Kent

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 Geneva, Switzerland
 July 7-10 2011



Service Leadership Programs

The Mitchell High School (MHS) Key Club recently presented a program to the Spruce Pine Kiwanis Club detailing their progress and activities this year. The Key Club kicked off the year with a fundraiser at the homecoming festivities last September where they hosted a very popular Guitar Hero tournament. For the first time, MHS participated in the Carolinas Key Club Fall Rally held at Carowinds in October.

MHS Key Club sponsored two successful community service projects, Treat or Treat for UNICEF and Key Tree. The club raised \$271 for the children of Swaziland, a country in Africa where one fourth of the children are orphaned as a result of the HIV virus. The traditional Key Tree Christmas project at MHS (similar to Angel Tree) was a great success this year. Large paper cut-out keys bearing information about the needs of 101 children were placed on Christmas trees in businesses throughout Mitchell County. Business patrons and friends of Key Club took the keys, made the needed purchases which Key Club members collected and distributed to the schools where the children were students.

The finale of the program was a presentation from MHS senior, Shianne Murray about her senior graduation project on her goals and aspirations of becoming a physician. Her project involved more than 100 service hours helping and learning at Blue Ridge Regional Hospital. Senior projects currently are a requirement at MHS and soon will become a requirement to graduate for all seniors in North Carolina. Spruce Pine Kiwanis Club awarded four \$1,000 scholarships to MHS Key Club seniors this year in recognition of their accomplishments and community service.

(Pictures taken at the Key Club Int'l Conv.)



The Key of Honor long has been considered Key Club International's most prestigious award. Presented to individuals for their extraordinary commitment as champions of Key Club, those honored over the last 85 years include many past and present Key Club legends, including seven recipients from the Carolinas District; John Stilwell, Frank Snyder, Dudley Saleeby, David Vaughan, Jim Broome, Scott Johnson and William Bridgen. The list of honorees also includes historical legends John F. Kennedy and Hubert H. Humphrey. At this summer's annual convention in Dallas, Texas, the Key of Honor Award was formally presented to H. Gene McCaskill, Carolinas District Assistant Key Club Administrator.

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Service Leadership Programs



Aktion Club Member plays guitar with Billy Montana

On June 25 2009, I was given the opportunity to play my guitar and sing at the Kiwanis International Convention in Nashville, TN. Aktion Club President Thomas Turner said it would be a great opportunity to reach out to people through a song that I wrote which I named Stars Among Us. I was given the honor to play with country songwriter/singer, Billy Montana. His workshop was on song writing. It was very helpful to hear the advice that he gave to me and to other people.

While I was at the convention, I was given the opportunity to explore the different booths and was amazed at the outreach that was going on to help children and communities who were stuck in poverty. I would like to thank my Aktion Club in West Columbia SC, and all the other clubs that contributed to this amazing trip. I would also like to say thank you to Billy Montana for allowing me the opportunity to sing and playing with him. And I would like to say a very special thank you to Mr. Jack Hatfield from the Aktion Club in Columbia for being my escort through out the time that I was at the convention. He was a great help and support. May God bless Kiwanis and may we NEVER GIVE UP from helping children and communities all over the world.

Mark S. Simpson
NEVER GIVE UP

Mark S. Simpson is currently a student at the South Carolina Department of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Information Technology Training Center.

He was born in Bombay, India (now modern Mumbai) in 1988 to a mother and father he never knew and with a disability that was frowned upon by many. Until he was into his second year of life, he was taken care of by one of Mother Teresa's many orphanages, at which point he was adopted by David and Cheryl Simpson from Miami, FL who had previously adopted four other small children with special needs. At the age of 9, they moved to Columbia, SC when his father was called into the Ministry.

Mark was born with twisted legs. Doctors analyzed his condition and gave him the choice of living in pain with his legs or having them amputated "to live a better life". So at the age of 17, Mark decided to have his legs amputated. His life has never been the same since.

Three weeks after the amputation, he was asked to be the poster child for Shriner's Hospital for a year. He spoke at many events and played songs that really meant a lot to him. In 2008, Mark was given the honor and the privilege to become an Honorary Marine with the South Carolina Marine Corps league.

SC Kiwanis License Plate Available



The South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (www.scdmvonline.com) has the SC Kiwanis License plate. The fee for the plate is \$30 every two years in addition to the regular vehicle registration fee. The plate is available to the general public and there are no special requirements for acquiring it. A portion of the fees collected for the plate will go to the Carolinas District Kiwanis Foundation.



World Service Project

Kiwanis is looking for its next world service project

Kiwanis International is accepting proposals for its second Worldwide Service Project. Kiwanis' first project helped reduce the number of families in undeveloped countries victimized by Iodine Deficiency Disorder, the leading preventable cause of mental and physical disabilities.



Kiwanis International is inviting organizations, institutions and individuals to help identify its next Worldwide Service Project. One need not be a member of the Kiwanis family to propose an idea.

Proposals, due by Oct. 1, 2009, are invited from members, organizations, agencies and institutions. Project criteria include:

- Involve a child-focused issue or problem
- Be compelling and relevant
- Involve both a global and a local level of participation and impact
- Include hands-on service and fundraising
- Address a virtually solvable problem or issue
- Support Kiwanis membership growth
- Lead to life-changing experiences

Make recommendations via the Kiwanis International Web site at:

www.kiwanisone.org/wsp. Please provide the following in your proposal:

- Describe your project and how it matches the criteria (500 words or less)
- How does the project align with Kiwanis' mission? (200 words or less)
- How can youth participate in the project? (200 words or less)
- What percentage of the project involves hands-on service? (100 words or less)
- What percentage of the project involves fundraising? (100 words or less)

Kiwanis will accept nominations until Oct. 1, 2009, and will announce its second Worldwide Service Project in June 2010 at the organization's 95th annual convention in Las Vegas.