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Dear Kiwanians,

We’ve started the year off with a bang; Fall Rally and Regional visits have produced great moments of service and passion for growth. We have identified several areas to build clubs, and we have many clubs in the process of adding new Service Leadership Programs (SLP’s). As we build new K-Kids, Builders, Key, Circle K and Aktion clubs, I hope all clubs understand the importance of strengthening our relationship with our existing SLP’s. As the holidays approach, I hope everyone has invited their SLP’s to their parties and seasonal gatherings. Service at this time of year is critical as the weather changes and the homeless become cold as well as hungry. Please include your SLP’s in the service projects for your communities.

The importance of our building new clubs, strengthening clubs and adding membership is to better serve the children and young people in each of our communities. Invite new member prospects to your service opportunities during this season. Most clubs will put off membership recruitment because of the holidays, but this is a great time to begin the process of prospecting for new members. Membership recruitment is the hardest thing we do. I want to thank each of you for the effort in asking a new acquaintance to help in our cause.

I am inviting every past Lt. Governor to join the Past Lt. Governor’s Council. Every member of the Past Lt. Governor’s Council who wants to be part of something special must call your area’s Lt. Governor and join in the fun and fellowship that comes with recruiting future Kiwanians or being a club counselor to a club that is in need of additional support.

Every President should have a budget and service calendar to use. Every event may not be planned, but the highlights should be on the calendar. Your calendar may look like Charlie Brown’s Christmas Tree. Don’t worry; begin adding a fundraiser and a couple Kiwanis programs like Kiwanis One Day and a Young Children: Priority One project. These events become the garland and bulbs we recognize as decorations on our festive tree -- much like your successful year as servant leader. Make your year a highly decorated tree for the children of your community. The top clubs in the Carolinas District have fully decorated trees. Is your expectation of being a servant leader to earn the Distinguished Club status? That should be the minimum level of the bar for your club. The challenge we face as leaders is to inspire our club members who have forgotten their passion to get involved again. Take your club from Good to Great: develop a Kiwanis culture that produces strong, involved members.

Kiwanis history is awesome; we should feel proud that we belong to such a wonderful service organization. I express my civic activity through Kiwanis. When I joined, I didn’t know what to do or who to ask. I believe bylaws and policies exist so we can relay a message of thoughts and concerns to our future leaders. For example, the Carolinas District Bylaws, Article IV, Section 3, plants the seed of training and education by stating “Any member club that fails for two (2) successive years to have at least one (1) delegate present at the annual district convention...shall not be considered in good standing.” I believe this message is meant to develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship. These ground rules for Kiwanis education are further supported in Article II. Objects:

a. To seek within the district and through the clubs of the district the attainment of the objects of Kiwanis International as set forth in the Constitution.
b. To increase the fellowship and cooperative effort of the clubs within the district.
c. To cooperate with Kiwanis International in building new clubs and membership in existing clubs, educating club members, and strengthening club services within the district.
d. To promote participation of clubs in the general objectives, programs, and policies of the district and Kiwanis International.

If your club wishes to grow and improve, start attending Conventions, Midyear Conferences, and Club Leadership Trainings. Find the best person in your community to run your programs, and add a member. When was the last time you talked to the Mayor or the directors of Red Cross, YMCA, or your Boys and Girls Club? Share the message with community leaders; many are listening. The MidYear Conference will be at the Charlotte University Hilton February 4-6. As a current or incoming President, take time to attend Earlybird CLO or any of the many forums offered.

Thank you for all you do for the children in your community. Your service and effort is critical to changing the world one child and one community at a time.

In Kiwanis Service,

Todd
Recruit New Members

Your club does so much good for the community, why wouldn’t someone want to join? Maybe that someone doesn’t know about Kiwanis. Maybe that someone needs to be invited. Recruiting new members is about sharing the Kiwanis message, telling of your club experience and asking them to join you in service. These tips and tools will show you how.

Prospect lists
Using these prospect points, create a list of people you know who would benefit from membership in this new club. Be sure to include names you’ve gathered during community analysis interviews. Can’t figure out who to ask? Use these prompters to fill your guest list.

Customized club brochure
Educate your community with a customized club brochure. We’ll provide an easy-to-use template.

Recruitment tips
Here are a few ideas for recruiting new members.

- **Take a systematic approach.**
  Focus your growth efforts using the steps and timeline outlined in the Reveal Your Growth Potential program.

- **Plan a formal membership drive.**
  Follow the steps outlined in our Call to Kiwanis from getting the board of directors’ buy-in to developing a guest list to mentoring your new members.

- **Set clear goals.**
  Hone your skills in setting and achieving your recruitment goals with the Planning Your Club’s Success tool.

- **Look the part.** Wearing your Kiwanis apparel is an easy way to promote Kiwanis and get the attention of prospective members. Be ready with your elevator speech if someone asks about Kiwanis.
Four generations of Wards lead Darlington Kiwanis

By Dwight Dana
Published November 18, 2010, in scnow.com

DARLINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA—The Darlington Kiwanis Club is 89 years old, the same age as C.M. Ward Jr. who was its 41st president in 1961.

The first president was P.J. Boatwright in 1921.

C.M. Ward Sr. was a charter member of the club. He served as its 11th president in 1931. Then along came J. Ronald “Ronnie” Ward, son of C.M. Ward Jr. He joined the club in 1976 and was elected its 60th president in 1980. And he did such a good job that he was its 61st president in 1981 when the person who had been elected to serve moved out of town.

Ronnie is the only person in the history of the venerable club to serve two consecutive terms as president. But history was yet to be made. Ronnie's son, Josh, joined the club in 2004. Josh was elected president last month for the 2010-2011 year. He succeeded William Fleming to become its 91st president.

Thus history has been made in that four generations of Wards have served as president of the club.

“The Kiwanis Club is the oldest civic club in Darlington,” said Ronnie, who served as mayor of Darlington from 1984 to 2004. “We've had three district governors who represent Kiwanis clubs in North and South Carolina.”

The district governors are David Vaughan (2008-2009), Olin Purvis (1979-1980) and the late Herb Hennig (1932). All also served as president of the Darlington club.

C.M. Ward Sr. was owner and president of the Darlington Roller Mill. C.M. Ward Jr. held the same title until the Roller Mill burned down. He then taught industrial arts at Brunson Dargan Junior High School until he retired.

Ronnie is a senior vice president in charge of the mortgage loan department at Carolina Bank in Darlington. He is also chairman of the McLeod Regional Medical Center Board of Trustees.

Ronnie graduated from Wofford College in 1969 and had a brief dalliance with law school at the University of South Carolina. He decided law was not his calling in life and went into banking.

He was a member of ROTC at Wofford and kept his credentials by joining the Army Reserve after he graduated. He is a Desert Storm veteran who retired as a colonel in 1999.

Josh broke with tradition by going to Clemson. He graduated in 1995.

The four years he was in Tiger Town gave Ronnie a chance to pull for both Carolina and Clemson. And, although he has long had season tickets to USC football games, Ronnie still considers himself a Clemson fan, too, except when Carolina and Clemson are playing Wofford.

Josh is manager of the Florence office of Sunbelt Rentals.
Clemmons Kiwanian Honored

Innovator, advocate for blind honored

By Annette Fuller | WINSTON-SALEM JOURNAL STAFF REPORTER
Published: November 21, 2010

He started work at Industries for the Blind rather reluctantly back in 2003, soon after he became legally blind because of a degenerative eye disease. Chris Flynt’s first job there was to affix labels on plastic bags — repetitive work, even though he was a college graduate.

“I needed a job, and I knew my eyes would get me through the door,” Flynt said. “It wasn’t much of a challenge, but I had to start out on the floor.”

Soon he craved more responsibility, and was moved off the manufacturing floor to manage a new computer lab and library. Since then, Flynt has been crucial in transforming Industries for the Blind into the biggest employer of blind people in the U.S., with 422 working in a large plant on North Point Drive. Annual revenues are now nearly $100 million, and Industries for the Blind has locations in Asheville and Puerto Rico. Yesterday, Flynt, 45, received one of three Nancy Susan Reynolds Awards for North Carolinians who improve their communities. He got the award during the 25th annual awards luncheon at the Raleigh Convention Center.

“It feels great to be recognized, but I am just doing my job,” he said.

Industries for the Blind began in Winston-Salem in 1936 as a two-room shop, providing jobs for local blind people. Flynt’s efforts have led people who are visually impaired to hold more leadership positions, and those with sight who work there undergo blindness-sensitivity training, which is also offered free to the community. Flynt tries to say “yes” more than he says “no” to potential jobs for the plant. “We have blind people making parachutes, scissors and eyeglasses,” he said. “We probably have one of the safest plants anywhere in the world.”

Flynt is the director of A Brighter Path, a program he created that provides training, education and social interaction for the blind and visually impaired, both inside the workplace and to the community at large. He teaches the program’s participants about self-defense, financial management, and how to use public transportation. He has created support groups for the blind, and he serves on the Winston-Salem Mayor’s Council for People with Disabilities.

Some of the recreational programs he established for the blind seem surprising: a darts club, a choir that produced a holiday CD, a bowling team, pottery and kudzu basket-making classes, photography classes, a hiking and running club, and a book club. He even started a Visionaries in Public Speaking Toastmaster’s Club. He created Summer Enrichment Experience (SEE) day camps for visually impaired grade-school children. The camps focus on independent-living skills and socializing. He produced and directed a 12-minute video on the causes of blindness, that helps sighted people understand what life is like for the blind. Ernest and Melissa Brown got to know Flynt because of their daughter, Miracle, who was born prematurely and suffered blindness.

“When we met Mr. Chris, with him having the same disability as our daughter, he gave us more confidence in her and what she could do,” Melissa Brown said. “We were hesitant, but Mr. Chris said she could do it. We learned that we shouldn’t hold her back.”

Flynt doesn’t really like getting praise and attention, she said.

“He’s very low-key,” said Melissa Brown, who went to the awards ceremony with her husband and daughter. “We’re so glad that he got this award.”

Flynt said his future plans include establishing an independent-living center, at which someone who is newly blind can come to relearn how to live, including skills such as cooking, washing and cleaning. He wants to build a residential camp in Asheville for blind youngsters across the country. The award includes a $25,000 grant, with $20,000 going to A Brighter Path Foundation and $5,000 going to Flynt. The awards were established in 1986 in memory of Nancy Susan Reynolds, the daughter of Katherine Smith and R.J. Reynolds. She was a philanthropist and a founding member, president and lifetime trustee of the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation.
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Come one, come all!

We’re back at the very popular Charlotte University Hilton in Charlotte, NC (near some great shopping facilities). If you remember meeting there a few years ago, the food was finger-licking DE-LICIOUS! The special Kiwanis rate of $99 per room is guaranteed through Jan. 10—don’t put off your reservations!

To register online, go to http://www.charlotteuniversity.hilton.com, enter dates of arrival (2/3 or 2/4) and depart on 2/6/2011 in the “check availability” box. To receive our $99 rate place code KIWANI in the “Group/Convention Code” space.

The conference registration form immediately follows this page. Registering online and paying with PayPal will be available very soon!

Highlights:

Awards for the 2009-10 will be announced, including:
- Distinguished Club Awards
- Anna Mae Smith Award
- Outstanding Lt. Governor of the Year
- Interclub Award
- Herb Hennig Award
- Growth Awards
- 25% Net Growth Check presentations

All patches earned will be distributed at the conference.

Thursday February 3:
- 7:00 pm Kickoff of Lt. Governor Training with Dessert Social (for 2011-2012 Lt. Governors)

Friday February 4:
- 8:00 am Lt. Governor Training continued
- 10:45 am District Board Meeting
- 1-5 pm FREE CLO (Club Leadership Orientation) – the only free CLO for the year (see page 11)
- 2:00 pm 2010-2011 Lt. Governors meeting with Governor Todd

Afternoon
- District Foundation Board Meeting
- 7:30 pm Opening Session with Dessert Social highlighting our Service Leadership Programs

Saturday February 5:
- 9:00 am Q & A Session with District Leadership—come have your questions answered!
- 10:00 am An ongoing service project—making hospital dolls for children will occur for most of the day
- 10:00 am Forums pertaining to Risk Management, our new World Service Project, MNT, Kiwanis One Day, Growth for your club, and more!
- 2:30 pm Luncheon
- 3:00 pm Time for Division and Regional Meetings
- 4:00 pm Past Lt. Governors’ Council Meeting
- 4:00 pm 2010-2011 Lt. Governors Meeting with Governor Todd
- 4-7 pm Free time for all others!
- 7:30 pm Banquet with entertainment

Sunday February 6:
- 9:00 am Lt. Governor Training wrap-up
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The registration fee includes all conference materials, convention program, use of Hilton conference facilities, Friday night opening session/social with dessert reception, Saturday luncheon, and Saturday night banquet with music and entertainment. Breakfast buffet coupons are offered for each morning of the conference for $15.00 each, inclusive of tax and gratuity. This is a 25% savings off of menu prices ($15.95 plus tax and a 15% tip added). The buffet is extensive, and a great value!

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** 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 until we have reached the maximum # we can accommodate.
SECTION 5: HOTEL INFORMATION FOR RESERVATIONS - $99.00 per night !!!

Hotel Reservations should be made directly with the hotel AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, but the absolute deadline for a guaranteed special rate is JANUARY 10, 2011: CHARLOTTE UNIVERSITY PLACE HILTON. (CALL 1-800-445-8667 or 1-704-547-7444)

To insure special discount of $99.00, plus taxes, per night, TELL THE AGENT OUR group rate code KIWANI and you are with the group KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL.

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HOTEL ADDRESS: 8629 JM Keynes Drive, Charlotte, North Carolina 28262

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REFUND POLICY:
Refunds will be made for any registration cancelled in writing to the address below postmarked by JANUARY 10th, 2011. Any cancellations after JANUARY 10th will result in no refunds of the registration fee; in the event of an emergency, you may find someone to take your place, but the refund policy still applies. Substitutions will be accommodated. You are responsible for canceling your own hotel reservations.

DO NOT CALL THE KIWANIS DISTRICT OFFICE WITH CANCELLATIONS.

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

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PLEASE DO NOT FAX YOUR FORMS TO THE KIWANIS DISTRICT OFFICE.
KIWANIS
Carolinas District
EARLY BIRD
CLUB LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION 2011

Incoming Club Presidents and Club Secretaries (or current officers who missed orientation last year) will have an opportunity to attend a workshop, which will prepare them for their upcoming responsibilities. Other participants might include club board members and board members thinking about running for President-Elect. CLUB LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION, CLO, will be held in various locations on Saturdays this spring but these events will have a registration fee of $20-$25 per participant. Does your club have a President-Elect ready for their orientation? Then you’re in luck. The Carolinas District is hosting an earlybird CLO Friday, February 4 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the University Hilton in Charlotte, NC. The earlybird CLO is being offered for free. Registration begins at 12:45 pm with the workshop commencing at 1:00 pm. Topics to be discussed include: committees, meetings, membership, public relations and sponsored youth, among others. Mark your calendars now and come and meet your colleagues, exchange ideas and share successes. NO MEAL WILL BE OFFERED AT THIS EVENT.

Leadership Guides will be distributed during the CLO. This is different than previous years, where Kiwanis International MAILED the guide to each club secretary in May.

We must have 25 registrants in order to hold this event. Please register by January 10, 2011 so that this event takes place!

Feel free to add any concerns you’d like to be addressed at your Club Leadership Session.

To register complete the registration form below and fax/email/or mail to: The Carolinas District Office, 7378 Junaluska Rd, Boone, NC 28607, FAX: 866-672-5992, EMAIL: districtoffice@carolinakiwanis.org

Direct questions to the District Office at 800-739-1827.
Confirmation emails will be sent to all registered on January 24, 2011.

EARLY BIRD CLUB LEADERSHIP ORIENTATION REGISTRATION FORM

Kiwanis Club: ___________________________________________________________________________ Div. __________

1) Participant: ___________________________ Title: ___________________________
   Daytime Phone # _______________ E-Mail: ___________________________

2) Participant: ___________________________ Title: ___________________________
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Don’t miss Kiwanis One Day

Because Kiwanis One Day would definitely miss you.

On April 2, Kiwanis clubs around the world will make a positive impact. Think your efforts won’t make a difference? Think again.

In fact, think of the impact your club can have on your community. And the way your influence could be echoed in communities all over the globe. Join us for Kiwanis One Day. Because that echo will be a little stronger with everyone’s dedication.

Get project ideas, contest details and more at www.KiwanisOne.org/oneday.
Plan to join fellow Kiwanians in Geneva and go to [www.KiwanisOne.org/convention](http://www.KiwanisOne.org/convention) to register. Enjoy substantial savings; register through **January 31**. (Rates increase from $350 to $425 and guests from $100 to $150 Feb 1.)

The Carolinas District has made wonderful travel plans with InConTra Travel/Tumlare Corp. Please note: the InConTra/Tumlare Travel Package does not include registration for the Kiwanis International Convention.

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*Price is quoted from Charlotte, Greensboro, Raleigh/Durham, Columbia, Charleston, Greenville/Spartanburg. Government imposed taxes and security fees as well as airline imposed fuel surcharges of approximately $468 (as of May 10, 2010 and subject to increase until ticket is issued) are not included.
K-Kids Contests

Did you know K-Kids offers six different awards including:

1) Speech  
2) Essay  
3) Art  
4) Leadership  
5) Scrapbook  
6) Club Single Service Award

Contest Themes for 2010-2011

Essay:
Describe the strengths you developed in K-Kids while helping others.

Speech:
How has having K-Kids improved your school, community and the world?

Art:
Draw a picture of the ideal characteristics of a K-Kid.

Contest Entry Deadlines: April 1, 2011
Mail entries to Stephanie Phillips, 130 Citadel Dr., Conway, SC 29526
Download the K-Kids Contest Booklet to enter this year’s contests!

Builders Club

No Name-Calling Week will be January 24–28, 2011

No Name-Calling Week is an annual week of educational activities aimed at ending name-calling of all kinds and providing schools with the tools and inspiration to launch an ongoing dialogue about ways to eliminate bullying in their communities. This year, No Name-Calling Week will take place the week of January 24–28, 2011. The project seeks to focus national attention on the problem of name-calling in schools and to provide students and educators with the tools and inspiration to launch an ongoing dialogue about ways to eliminate name-calling in their communities. The curricular materials on this website and in the Resource Kit are primarily aimed at middle school students, specifically grades 5–8, but may be modified for older or younger students. Feel free to download materials off this website, or order the Resource Kit and create your own No Name-Calling Week initiative in your community. To learn more, visit www.nonamecallingweek.org

Key Clubber to compete in Jeopardy Teen Tournament
Thursday, December 02, 2010

Lindsey Thiesfeld, a sophomore at Hinsdale Central High School in Illinois and a member of the Key Club, will compete in the Jeopardy Teen Tournament. The tournament will broadcast nationally beginning Feb. 17 through March 2. Learn more about Lindsey and her road to competing on Jeopardy.

CKI Magazine

Check out the new and improved, digital-only CKI Magazine. November’s issue is all about how the CKI tenets of service and fellowship are BFFs. It features signature service projects from clubs across the United States along with tips to use to guide your service projects.
Frank Smither Named District Aktion Club Member of the Year

Frank Smither is a 50-year-old man who has developmental disabilities. He lived most of his life in Suffolk, Va., with his mother and father. Following the death of his mother in the mid ‘90s, he became a caretaker of his father who has a rare neurological disorder that has rendered him paralyzed. Frank’s sister and her family who live in Pinehurst saw the need about 6 years ago to move Frank and his father to Pinehurst to live with them. Once settled, Frank realized a desire to get to know and be active in his new community.

He immediately became involved with the local hospital, The Arc of Moore County and the Moore County chapter of the Red Cross, splitting his time shredding documents for the two latter organizations as a volunteer. It was not long before Frank showed an interest in The Arc’s First In Families program, where people with disabilities apply for and receive assistance with items and resources not covered under traditional funding sources. That was 5 years ago. Frank remains an active member of the FIF management team, attends all meeting, participates on committees and in special events. He continues to volunteer at the Red Cross and at First Health Moore Regional Hospital, where he volunteers every other week.

Through his involvement with The Arc, Frank became involved in the Aktion Club of Moore County, a Kiwanis-sponsored community service organization comprised of “self-advocates,” or adults with developmental disabilities. He is currently serving his second term as president of the Aktion Club! Frank has not let any of his developmental or physical obstacles deter him from community service and involvement. He has made significant contributions to his community in Moore County and is very deserving of the Aktion Club Member of the Year.

The Aktion and Kiwanis Clubs of Boone held a service project to decorate a tree at the local library to provide the needy with hats, gloves and scarves.
Retired Army Col. Frederick W. Best Jr., 82, of 3107 Drury Lane, passed away Friday, Nov. 26, 2010, in his home. He graduated in 1951 from Davidson College, where he played in the band. After Davidson College, Fred Best entered active duty again and served until 1975, culminating a career as a colonel at Fort Bragg. During active service, he attended graduate school at Syracuse University in business and finance, which prepared him for understanding how organizations function best. During his military service, he received three Legions of Merit, the Combat Infantryman Badge and numerous awards and decorations. He also received the Bronze Star while serving in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. After retirement, Fred’s long and exceptional service to North Carolina began. Over those years, there were two Freds: the “larger than life” Col. Frederick W. Best Jr., who served with vigor and was a taskmaster to those around him. The other Fred was the quiet professional who ensured that those in need were taken care of. In those periods where need was identified, Fred Best could always be counted upon to contribute his time, talents and money. For many years after retirement, Fred was deeply involved in several organizations in various leadership positions. He served as president of the Board of Realtors in Fayetteville; as a leader in the Association of the United States Army, Braxton Bragg Chapter; as a trustee of Cape Fear Valley Medical Center; as a Mason and Shriner; as a founder and leader of the Tallywood Neighborhood Watch in the 1980s that was a blueprint for Fayetteville; as part of the Episcopal Congregation at Fort Bragg; and as president of the Kiwanis Club of Fayetteville in 1997-1998. He served as lieutenant governor of Division 11 of the Carolinas district of Kiwanis International. It was his long service to Kiwanis and his generous financial contributions that Col. Best will have a long and lasting contribution to North Carolina. He joined the Fayetteville Kiwanis in 1977 and maintained 33 years of perfect attendance. For many years, he was the number one fundraiser for their annual reverse raffle, personally raising more than $100,000 that benefited the children of North Carolina. As a committee member, he helped raise and fund nearly 500 bikes in Cumberland County for the Terrific Kids program, a model program adopted by Kiwanis International. During his term as president of the Fayetteville club, he raised $22,000 to benefit iodine deficiency disorder. During that period, he was also recognized as a Kiwanis International Hixon Fellow by the Fayetteville club for his service to Kiwanis and Cumberland County. As president and lieutenant governor in Kiwanis, he was personally responsible for raising and awarding tens of thousands of dollars to worthy causes in North Carolina. His volunteerism contributed hundreds of hours annually and some years more than a thousand hours. Few have maintained the stamina and fervor that Col. Best had in serving Cumberland County and North Carolina. He was recently awarded The Order of the Long Leaf Pine. Col. Best recently established a scholarship fund for military families to further their education at FTCC. He was also a Mason in a Masonic lodge in Fort Benning, Ga., for 54 years, and was also a member of MOAA. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. today, Monday, Nov. 29, 2010, at Main Post Chapel on Fort Bragg, officiating will be Chaplain and Lt. Col. James L. Brisson Jr. Interment with full military honors will take place at Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery in Spring Lake at a later date. He is survived by his wife, Gladys J. Best of the home; daughters, Carla Stanley Griffin of Greenville and Denise Stanley Brisson of Fayetteville; sons, Roger Stanley of Cherry Hill, N.J., and Craig Stanley of Wilmington; eight grandchildren; and special friends, Rebecca and Michael Albert, Trent Laviano and Michael Dibbert. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Operation Helping Hand, Command Chaplain USA SFC, AOSO-CH, 2929 Desert Storm Drive, Fort Bragg, NC 28310. Visitation was Sunday evening at Rogers and Breece Funeral Home in Fayetteville.

### In Memoriam

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After encouragement from many people and with much soul searching, I am pleased to announce my candidacy for the office of Governor-Elect. Let me give you a little background about myself. I joined Kiwanis when I was eight years old. My father, a very active Kiwanian, held an induction ceremony at his club and convinced me I was the youngest Kiwanian in the world. Although I later learned it was my Dad’s way of putting a smile on the face of his son, it has always been one of the highlights of my life. As a result of being involved with Kiwanis, during my high school summer vacations, I worked as a counselor at the Mount Hood Kiwanis Camp for disabled children. Those two summers really taught me what Kiwanis is all about.

I took a break from Kiwanis while attending college at Oregon State University. I spent five years as a Naval Officer, and then moved around the country working as a distribution manager for various corporations. Ultimately I landed in Greenville South Carolina some 18 years ago and began my second career with The UPS Store.

I joined Kiwanis in 1999. A customer of mine asked for a donation for their pancake breakfast and then invited me to a club meeting. It felt like I had never left Kiwanis, and my journey began. Over the next 11 years I have had the honor of holding various positions at the club, division, region, and district level. Some of those positions included Club President, Division 25 Lt. Governor, District Executive Advisory Committee member, District Youth Services chair, and Circle K Assistant District Administrator. I am currently Trustee of Region 9, Circle K District Administrator, Club Counselor for the new Mauldin club, Tag Team Member, and President of our club foundation.

Although our organization has challenges ahead of us, with membership growth, our Service Leadership Programs (SLP’s) continue to prosper and grow. We also have a wonderful opportunity to make a difference with the Eliminate project. I believe our Service Leadership Programs are our most visible brand. By continuing to grow our SLP’s, we have the ability to educate and inform more students and their parents encouraging them to join our Kiwanis family.

With your support, I believe we can continue to grow and expand Kiwanis and all of its programs. If elected, I look forward to working with everyone to keep this organization moving forward.

Sincerely,

Tom Currier
Greenville Eastside Kiwanis Club
Candidate for Governor Elect 2011-2012