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Greetings and “Happy New Year”, Friend!

I know you’ve given and received best wishes for a happy and prosperous 2017, but the truth is, we don’t know what the upcoming year holds for us. As we did last year, we will always do our best to deal with whatever comes along. But, as a member of Kiwanis, one thing you can count on is that you will have many opportunities for uplifting experiences working for, with and on behalf of the kids of the Carolinas. Of that, you can be assured. As each day passes, we will be doing our best to see every child is happy, healthy, safe and loved.

Our Carolinas District will be maintaining a full year-long calendar of activities designed to encourage your direct participation and help us achieve our goals and live up to the “objects” of Kiwanis. Our District Secretary, Leah Moretz, will be adding to the published calendar continuously as you notify her and share projects, programs and fund raisers that you and your club are undertaking. So, be sure to let her know what y’all are doing! Let’s get the word out, and “Let YOUR light shine!”

Our District Board of Trustees and leadership team have been listening to your comments, suggestions and requests and have planned several events this year to support you and your local club. For example, you are invited to attend any of several regional meetings that will bring resources and trainers to you. Greg McDonald and Elizabeth Tezza will both conduct sessions explaining ways to build and maintain your membership. Club strengthening is not magic nor an accident. You will be able discuss what best practices you can do to be the very best Kiwanis Club possible. Rick Benton’s popular list of a year’s worth of Kiwanis meeting program speakers will be distributed at each regional get together as well.

Next, plan to send several members of your club to join us for our MidYear Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC, February 10-12. We will be featuring Key note presentations by the Boys and Girls Home of North Carolina, Lake Waccamaw, and provide you opportunities to bolster and strengthen their program. You will have a good time networking with other like minded Kiwanians, and we will provide still more forums and ideas on the very topics you told us are of the greatest interest and value to you! … See y’all there!

Also, consider attending our Kiwanis International Convention in Paris, France, during July, and/or our own Carolinas District Convention in Charleston, SC, during August. An unusual twist to this year’s District convention is that on August 21, the day following the close of our convention, a very rare total solar eclipse will occur and be visible from Charleston, our convention site. More on all of these events later!

As always, thank you for being on the side of good, and being a member of Kiwanis!

Les King
Governor
Carolinas District of Kiwanis
Our MidYear Conference is right around the corner, but there is still time to register and get a hotel room at our special Kiwanis rate!  [Register here.]

Our hotel rate of $114 has been extended through January 26 and our registration is open until January 30. Call and make your hotel reservations now before the hotel sells out. (800-876-0010, elect Embassy Suites Option and identify yourself by group code KIW)

We’re planning our best conference yet with new forums, an idea fair, Key Note Speaker Gary Faircloth, awards distribution and time with our Service Leadership Program leaders.

Two FREE training opportunities are available on Friday from 1:00—5:00 pm:

  Club Leadership Orientation
  Membership Chair training

Some of our Idea Fair topics for Saturday include:

  Speaker and Program Suggestions/Databases
  Kiwanis Leadership Ladder
  Young Children Priority One/ The First 2000 Days
  The Dictionary Project
  Tips for Successful Membership Campaigns
  Building Signature Projects

Our Saturday 50 minute Forum Topics include:

  Best Practices in Club Management
  The Boys and Girls Homes of NC
  Engaging and Retaining Members
  Key Leader
  Publicizing Your Club

Our Service Leadership Programs will each have their own forum:

   Aktion Club, K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K
   Strategies for Community Partnerships
   Techniques for Creative Fundraising

[Get all the details here!]

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2016-17 Club Coaching Days

Several similar coaching days will be offered throughout the district this year, bringing essential club excellence training to clubs to help them become stronger and more effective in providing service to their communities and to establish links between the clubs and individuals who can advise and assist them in their efforts.

This event is specifically designed to be:

- **Accessible** (located close to the clubs within driving distance),
- **Affordable** (costing only a minimal amount for food and materials), and
- **Substantive** (offering high-quality information in an interactive format).

We intend this event to be the most valuable club strengthening activity of the year for **every club** in the Carolinas.

**Save the Date!**

January 21, 2017  Cape Fear Community College, Wilmington
April 8, 2017  Greensboro, NC
May 20, 2017  Columbia, SC
September 16, 2017  Greenville, NC

**Who Should Attend?**

Any Kiwanian in the Carolinas District is welcome to attend. But, every club within a two-hour driving radius of each date should plan to have representatives attend this event. Club officers, Board members and committee chairs will find the material offered here particularly useful. However, any member will benefit from the information being presented.

**Why Is This Important?**

Every club, regardless of size or strength, can grow and become stronger, and more effective in serving the youth of their communities. This may be your only opportunity this year to get all this information in one place, on one day, close to home, and easily affordable.

**Kids Need Kiwanis!**

And, Kiwanis Needs Stronger, More Effective Kiwanis Clubs.

**What Does It Cost?**

This event will cost **$25 per person** plus the investment of your time and energy. It doesn’t get any more affordable than this!
Registration is now open!  Deadline January 27, 2017.

Prices for registration (room rates) are as follows:

• Quad (4 per room/two nights) $180
• Triple (3 per room/two nights) $195
• Double (2 per room/two nights) $225
• Single (1 per room/two nights) $325

Remember - District Convention isn't just for the students - we'll have educational sessions and round tables for Advisors too! Please consider coming.

It’s never too early to start planning for the Key Club District Convention which serves several purposes:

• To recognize Key Clubs and individuals for outstanding service
• To build enthusiasm and motivate membership
• To educate and inspire Key Clubbers
• To train new Key Club Officers
• To elect new District Officers and conduct business of the district
• To share ideas, projects, and experiences with hundreds of Key Club members
• To have lots of fun!

This year, all registrations will be done electronically.

Early bird discount rates end February 5 and the final deadline is February 16.

Showcase your club and club members’ talents by entering into their many contests! The Key Club District offers contest from talent to scrapbooking Key Club events. Contests at convention aim to recognize clubs for their hard work over the course of the past year and to have a bit of fun.

Learn more and register now!
Put purpose behind pancakes on International Pancake Day

Kiwanis partner IHOP® Restaurants will host National Pancake Day on March 7 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Kiwanis club members are encouraged to volunteer to put purpose behind pancakes and help raise money for Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals.

“Every year we ask our Kiwanis club members to support our partners – IHOP and CMN hospitals – on National Pancake Day,” said 2016-17 Kiwanis International President Jane Erickson. “IHOP serves free pancakes and seeks donations to support the work at CMN hospitals and other local charities. We ask our Kiwanis club members to tell the CMNH story and accept donations for the hospitals.”

Erickson said volunteers can sign up for a two hour shift at their local IHOP and know that they are helping kids. Kids like Zion can receive cutting edge treatment that will alter their lives, all because of support from communities across North America.

Do you know what your club’s general liability insurance covers?

This policy is intended to legal liability insurance for sums that insureds may become legally obligated to pay as damages to third parties for bodily injury or property damage arising out of a Kiwanis-sponsored function or activity.

All insureds are automatically covered.

WHO IS COVERED?

- Kiwanis clubs and members when involved in a Kiwanis Activity
- Kiwanis club foundations
- Divisions
- Districts and district foundations
- Kiwanis International
- Kiwanis International Foundation (including The Eliminate Project)
- Kiwanis Youth Programs
- Key Clubs and Circle K Clubs and their members
- Nonmember volunteer workers
- Builders Clubs and their members
- Kiwanis societies (Canada)
- K-Kids Clubs and their members
- Aktion Clubs and their members
- Key Leader
- Kiwanis Endowment Funds (Canada)
- Key Club Alumni
- Circle K International Alumni
Opportunities

U.S. Army Kiwanis speakers tour begins again in February

The U.S. Army wants to meet you and your club members at an upcoming meeting. Army leaders are ready to speak to your club during this year’s speakers tour. Your club can learn about our shared values of education and community service. National and regional Army leaders can provide an insider’s military perspective and share the Army’s education resources and opportunities. Follow the U.S. Army on Facebook and Twitter to learn more about Army opportunities. For more information about the U.S. Army’s Speaker Bureau, contact Elizabeth Warren, ewarren@kiwanis.org.

Announcing new Signature Project Award program

This year Kiwanis International is offering a new Signature Project Recognition Program and Contest. The program and contest will help draw attention to the many incredible signature projects Kiwanis clubs are doing around the world to make a difference in communities.

Signature projects are service projects, fundraisers or events that:

- Are recurring
- Enhance the Kiwanis brand
- Demonstrate significant impact on the community in terms of monies raised or children served
- Strengthen membership and partnership opportunities

The goal of this contest is to recognize clubs that participate in signature projects to impact their communities and to inspire all clubs to create exciting signature projects. Here is a great online resource to assist with understanding or planning a signature project.

Click here to learn more about this contest.
The cultural corner: Ordering at a restaurant

American expatriate and pastry chef David Lebovitz shares his embarrassing restaurant moments in Paris. Laugh, learn... and avoid some potential mistakes.

French for travelers

Learn how to pronounce essential phrases when traveling in a French-speaking country.

Off the beaten path

See Paris like a native: Here are recommendations for lesser-known destinations you can enjoy on your own. If you prefer to explore famous attractions along with fellow Kiwanians, book a Kiwanis tour.

Kiwanis Children’s Fund

At its most recent meeting, the Grants Committee of the Kiwanis Children’s Fund, formerly the Kiwanis International Foundation, discussed ways to improve its club grant program to better serve our mission—and ultimately help more children. Implementing these improvements will take time, which is why the Kiwanis Children’s Fund will not have a spring grant cycle during the 2016–17 Kiwanis year.

Learn more about the change.

2017 scholarship opportunities are now available. The Kiwanis Children's Fund proudly assists in the disbursement of select scholarships available through our donor-advised fund program to members of the Kiwanis family. Share these opportunities with local Circle K and Key Club leaders today.
Club News

Pawleys Island Kiwanis welcome advisors and officers of the new Carver's Bay Key Club.

Hickory High School Key Club members become Santa’s Helpers

Thursday December 8, the Hickory High School Key Club went to the Salvation Army Shelter for a service project.

They went right after school and the students made stockings with toys and candy for the children of the residents and others that came for dinner from the street.

The HHS students helped clean several areas in the women’s residence, straightened the food pantry, broke down boxes, plated and served the food to the residents of the shelter and others that came to the shelter for a good hot meal.

Get more Club News by visiting the Carolinas District’s Facebook page and share your news with us!

Kiwanis Magazine submissions

Seen first hand or heard about a story that would be of interest to your fellow Kiwanians for the Kiwanis magazine?

Send KI the info to ShareYourStory@kiwanis.org.

Find out more details on what & how to provide a submission here.
Welcome New Kiwanians!

Congratulations to the following, who joined a club in November - December 2016

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Your club’s banner needs a “Kids Need Kiwanis” patch just like Kiwanis needs you.