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On the cover: Spring Lake Key Clubbers show their pumpkins designed at the Region 5 Kiwanis One Day event held at the Boys and Girls Homes of Lake Waccawmaw Saturday October 28. Members of 18 clubs participated in club strengthening activities, several donations were made to the Kiwanis Legacy Fund, clubs donated a generous supply of personal care items for babies and teens, completed a beautification project at the home, enjoyed a lunch with the entire group of about 140 people, then painted pumpkins with residents of the home and SLP members. Circle K of UNCC organized a scavenger hunt for the children, as well.

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CKI DCON
February 23-25, 2018
Hilton, Greenville, SC

Aktion MidYear
March 3, 2018
UNC Charlotte
Basketball Game

Key Club DCON
March 16-18, 2018
Sheraton Imperial
Durham, NC

Aktion
Eastern Regional Conference
April 14, 2018
Fayetteville, NC

Key Leader
April 20-22, 2018
Camp Thunderbird
Lake Wylie, SC

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Western Regional Conference
June 9, 2018
Flat Rock, NC

Kiwanis
Int’l Convention
June 28 - July 1, 2018
Chicago, IL

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Chicago, IL

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Sheraton Imperial
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Sept. 21 - 23, 2018
Camp Walter Johnson
Denton, NC

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Governor’s Column

With Thanksgiving just around the corner, it is time to reflect on the things we are thankful for in our Carolinas Kiwanis Family. Our SLPs have had an exceptional Fall with a variety of conferences and events. The Aktion Club Conference at Camp Walter Johnson brought together over 300 Aktion Club members and their Advisors for a fun filled weekend of service, fellowship and awards. One of my favorite parts was the annual talent show which featured dance, song, piano and painting. Key Club’s Fall Rally at Carowinds brought together over 2,000 Key Clubbers from around the Carolinas for a day of inspiration, motivation and fun. Individual clubs brought monetary donations to help provide Christmas for the residents of the Boys and Girls Home at Lake Waccamaw.

CKI members converged on Camp Ridge Haven for a weekend of goal setting, planning and fun. The energy of CKI’ers is infectious and I honestly wonder if they ever sleep! The annual Kiwanis Family Conference at Ridgecrest was our most recent event bringing together Builders Club, Key Club, CKI and Kiwanis Club members. While our Carolinas District sponsors this event, participants come from districts throughout the country. This year we even had a participant from South America! Activities during Family Conference focused on leadership skill development and team building with a healthy dose of fun.

On October 1st our Kiwanis International President, Jim Rochford arrived in the Carolinas to help us build a new Kiwanis Club in the community of Kannapolis, North Carolina. To build a new Kiwanis Club takes planning and team effort. It was truly a learning experience for all of us who participated in this club opening. Hard work paid off and the initial recruiting effort yielded twenty paid members with another dozen pending applications. We were able to try some of the strategies we learned during our regional club coaching days. We are now much more confident in our ability to recruit corporate memberships. Hats off to our own Carolinas Key Club Governor, Katie McNiffe, who joined a team as they went out on appointments. The recruitment event culminated in a Kiwanis International webinar about the opening of our new Carolinas Kannapolis Kiwanis Club.

What is it about Lake Waccamaw? Every time I drive into the grounds of the Boys and Girls Home I feel like I am coming home. We had a huge turnout for Region 5’s Kiwanis One Day event at Lake Waccamaw. The agenda included a regional meeting, collection of baby supplies, landscaping activities, a tour of the Kiwanis Cottage, lunch with the kids and pumpkin painting. From the Region 5 clubs in attendance generous contributions were made to the Legacy Fund bringing the current amount in that fund to $77,335. Past Governors Gary Cooper and Les King and I believe that reaching our goal of $100,000 during the coming year is doable. If every Carolinas Club contributed $200 to the Legacy Fund we could “put this campaign to bed!”

Moving forward I am looking to new club builds in the Carolinas. Currently there are plans in progress for opening new clubs in Garner, McDowell County, N. Augusta, New Bern and Brevard. We invite you to join us in these club opening efforts helping us recruit new members. Contact Alec Macaulay, our Formula Chair or me to volunteer and to give us referrals for prospective members living in the areas of these new club sites.

Participating in your club, division and regional events this past month has been pure pleasure. I have enjoyed getting to know my fellow Carolinas Kiwanians and seeing the exciting things that are happening to improve the lives of children in your communities. In this season of thankfulness, I am deeply grateful for all the service my fellow Carolinas Kiwanians have provided to improve the lives of children and our communities. “Carolina Kids Need Kiwanis” and you have given of your time, talents, service and financial resources. Thank You for all you do on behalf of kids!

Mary Jo Brubaker
Carolinias District Governor
Member Spotlight

Julia Terry
CKI Governor

Greetings Carolinas District!

It is truly an honor to be the Carolinas District of CKI Governor. But, just like everyone else, I did not start out being in a leadership position. My Kiwanis journey started when I was a high schooler in Key Club. You could say it was love at first sight. I was able to see what this “K-Family” everyone was talking about actually meant during my very first service project as we worked alongside other Kiwanians and Circle Kers that evening. Being able to experience that difference was what made me come back to meetings all four years and even become a club officer. As I went to college, it was a comfort to know that I had a bunch of friends waiting for me not only in our home club, but in our Kiwanis and Key Clubs as well. Currently I am a proud member of Charlotte’s K-Family with our Circle K club at UNCC.

Throughout my term, which started in April, I have been able to see the spread of the K-Family spirit within the entirety of the Carolinas District. I see clubs reaching out to each other and doing what we do best, service! I have also seen our district leadership work together more. I have seen more and more Kiwanians becoming interested in starting CKI clubs. You can probably experience it just by reading articles in this bulletin about what happened at Kiwanis Family Conference. But even though I have seen this, there is still plenty of room for improvement. Continue the “work together, grow together” attitude so that we can surpass our goals as a district and enhance everyone’s Kiwanis journey!

Additionally, I must recognize that part of why this K-Family is so special is because our Kiwanis clubs are comprised of people like you. People who have dedicated their lives to improving the world, one child and one community at a time. Even though we always talk about ways to improve, please know that what you do now is having an incredibly positive impact. All of us in the Carolinas District of CKI are honored to be a part of your family and we appreciate all of the good you put out into the world. Thank you.

Yours in service, leadership, and fellowship,
Julia Terry

Pictured right:
October 20-22, 2017 was CKI’s Fall Call, a weekend filled with everything that Circle K International encompasses: Fellowship, Leadership, and Service. CKI members attended workshops, met new people, did a service project, and so much more!
SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT
NORTH CAROLINA KIWANIS REWARD DENTAL CLINIC
VOLUNTEERS WITH MEALS FRESH OFF THE GRILL.
STORY BY JULIE SAETRE
PRINTED WITH PERMISSION OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL
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A healthy smile is more than a wellness issue. It can be lifechanging. That’s why the North Carolina Missions of Mercy (NCMOM) holds free dental clinics for patients who otherwise couldn’t afford care. And with assistance from an ambitious Kiwanis club, the dentists, dental hygienists, nurses and students who volunteer for a two-day clinic in Fayetteville, North Carolina, receive free hot meals cooked on-site.

Cape Fear, Fayetteville Kiwanis Club members have catered four such clinics. During the most recent one, the Kiwanians logged 422 service hours planning menus and shopping for, preparing, cooking and serving between 1,600 and 1,700 meals.

Each day, club members arrived at the Crown Complex arena at 4 a.m. to set up large grills hauled to the event site via trailers. Next, they began cooking breakfast for the 150 volunteers set to arrive. By 6 a.m., dental professionals were fueling up with sausages, eggs, grits and biscuits. Lunch on day one featured hamburgers and hot dogs; day two brought North Carolina-style barbecue pulledpork sandwiches and beef brisket.

Joey Bales, a past club president and current board member, estimates that the club used 60 to 80 dozen eggs, 200 pounds of sausage, 20 pounds of grits, 200 hot dogs and 600 pounds of Boston butt. And the hearty fare didn’t just benefit volunteers. “Serving meals on site allowed the dental professionals an efficient way to eat and minimize time away from serving dental patients,” explains club Secretary Lynne Grates.

During the four clinics that the club has catered, more than 3,200 patients received everything from X-rays and fillings to custom-fit removable partial dentures. “One young lady had been going to job interviews, and she felt like her (missing teeth) were the reason she wasn’t getting hired,” Bales recalls. “She was really excited about getting a job, because now she looked professional.”

Club members already are busy fundraising the US$40,000 required to cater another clinic in 2018. “It’s a little thing we can do,” Bales says, “to give a lot of people a pretty smile.”
Aktion Club Convention

By Vickie Ewing, Aktion Club Administrator

The 12th Annual Carolinas District Aktion Club was held September 22-24, 2017 at the Salvation Army Camp Walter Johnson (CWJ) in Denton, NC. There were 270 attendees with additional visitors that were there for a portion of the time.

Friday night a Happy 30th Birthday Aktion Club video was created and sent by Kiwanis Lt. Governor Joe Crostic to a very grateful and appreciative Jake Swartout who started Aktion Club 30 years ago in Florida.

Saturday the group met Miss Garner Pageant winner Lauren Walsh (brought by Past Governor Harold Garner), enjoyed a performance from Nashville musician and Salvation Army minister Damien Horne who was a previous CWJ Camp Counselor. Saturday night Aktion Clubbers danced the night away.

Sunday morning after the worship service, awards were presented for the 10 district-level contests and 5 international-level contests. With over 600 Aktion Clubs worldwide, the Carolinas District of Aktion Club is extremely proud that 3 of their entries won on the International level:

Poster - Second Place: Faye Ellis of the Brunswick County, NC
Single Service Project - Third Place: Surry Community College Club in Mt. Airy, NC
Scrapbook - Second Place: Brunswick County, NC Club

Kiwanians are invited to join in the fun at any of our upcoming District events. Kiwanis members participation is critical to making these events a success.

Aktion MidYear - March 3, 2018, UNC Charlotte A day of fun with a 49er Basketball Game
Eastern Regional Conference - April 14, 2018, Fayetteville NC Kiwanis Rec Center
Western Regional Conference - June 9, 2018, Blue Ridge Community College in Flat Rock, NC
District Convention - Sept 21-23, 2018, Salvation Army Camp Walter Johnson in Denton, NC
Opportunities

Kiwanis Cottage Legacy Fund Grows

The Kiwanis Cottage Legacy Fund was established in the 2011-2012 Kiwanis year with a goal to raise $100,000 for the upkeep and maintenance of the Kiwanis Cottage at Boys & Girls Homes in Lake Waccamaw. The initial goal was to raise the money by 2014 which was the 50th anniversary of the Kiwanis Cottage. Coincidentally Kiwanis International launched the Eliminate Project at the same time. Those of us on the committee decided to try and raise money for the Legacy Fund in a quiet way as to not conflict with the Eliminate Project.

Because of those two fundraising projects running simultaneously, we raised $30,100 from the 2011-2012 Kiwanis year through the 2015-2016 year, Governor Les decided to make the Legacy Fund his focus during his term as governor, 2016-2017. Because of his continued emphasis and passion for the Legacy Fund, we raised $41,635 during his term. So when he left the office of Governor we had $71,735 of our $100,000 goal.

At the Region 5 Kiwanis One Day event we had at Boys & Girls Homes on October 28th another $5,600 was raised for the Legacy Fund which now brings our total to $77,335. As Governor Mary Jo said; “the $100,000 goal is very attainable.” With the help of all Carolinas District Kiwanians and Clubs we will reach our goal on or before September 30, 2018. Past Governor Les King and his wife Connie have offered to come help any clubs that schedule any kind of “thon,” concert, walk, auction, sale, etc. to help us raise these final dollars.

Governor Mary Jo has a tag line “Carolinas Kid Need Kiwanis!” A segment of those kids resides at Boys & Girls Homes and in the Kiwanis Cottage, but not because they want to or because of anything they have done. Those children are there because they have been abused and neglected and the state of NC has decided they need a change in their lives. We should all be proud that one of those “changes” is for young ladies to come and live in the Kiwanis Cottage in hopes of living a “normal life”, that you and I take for granted.

Please help Governor Mary Jo bring this Legacy Fund to the completion of raising our $100,000, FOR THE CHILDREN.

As always, thanks for all y’all do for Kiwanis and the youth we serve.

Yours in Kiwanis Service,
Gary Cooper

What Is Ruby K???

Does your club honor those who have brought in new members?
Does your club want to encourage everyone to recruit new members?
How do you say thank you to people for increasing your club membership?

The Ruby K Award is one of the most overlooked awards in Kiwanis. The Ruby K Award is the Kiwanis International Award to honor Kiwanians who invite five or more new members during their Kiwanis career. The Ruby K Award is free of charge. Ruby K pins recognize members for inviting new members—from five to 100 people. (Further Ruby K awards are given for multiples of 25 over 100.) The award is cumulative, so previous recipients are eligible for a new Ruby K when they invite additional members. Click here to go to the application form so you and your club can get started recognizing deserving club members.

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Upcoming Events

Kiwanis MidYear 2018
University Hilton Charlotte, NC
February 9-11, 2018

We will be having our MidYear in Charlotte, NC this coming February at the Charlotte University Hilton and will offer the Saturday Day pass again for clubs that register at least two members for the full weekend. Free Club Leadership Training will be available on Friday as well. Registration fees will remain the same as our rates in 2016! Registration packets will be mailed to each Club President in early December.

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This year at the conference we will be focusing on our Service Leadership Programs and how we can better serve them. We plan to have forums for our Kiwanis SLP advisors as well as other forums as follows:

Rebuilding Your Kiwanis Club * How to Conduct a Community Analysis * Ethics and Working with Youth * Youth Protection * Key Leader How to Conduct a Division Council Meeting * Having High Impact

Sponsorships

The District is looking to create sponsorships for each Midyear and District Convention General Session. Do you have a connection with any of the big corporations in North or South Carolina? Contact the district office for details (leahcdo@gmail.com). Examples include: IBM, Lowes Hardware, Boeing, Bank of America and Duke Energy.

2017-18 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 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, and those like it, to be the most valuable club strengthening activity of the year for every club in the Carolinas. Registration for the January 20 date will be available in late November. Check www.carolinakiwanis.org for more info.

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Signature Service Projects

District forming signature project database

The district has designed a google form to collect data on signature projects within the Carolinas District in order to share that information so that in learning what each club is doing we can improve our impact in our local communities.

Go here to enter your club’s project(s).

What is a signature project?

While we are very proud of our Service Leadership Programs, as well as Terrific Kids and the BUG program, the Carolinas District is not looking to know about whether your club sponsors one….rather, we are looking to see what ELSE your club is doing so that we can create a database that can be used by our club membership to better those projects that are being completed.

Signature projects provide valuable and needed service to a community. They elevate awareness of Kiwanis, engage current members and remind them why they joined Kiwanis. Additionally, signature projects can increase membership. Don’t forget to invite and involve potential new members in your club’s next signature project.

A signature project is one that includes all of the following signature project criteria:

1) Recurring: At a minimum, the project should take place annually.

2) Brand enhancing: The project should be designed to elevate the Kiwanis brand in the local community With opportunities for public relations activities, such as Kiwanis naming rights, media mentions, etc.

3) High impact: The project should have a demonstrable positive impact on the community; this impact should be measurable in monies raised, children served, flags hung, playgrounds built, etc.

4) Membership focused: The project should support opportunities to strengthen membership and develop new partnerships. TIP: A good question to ask when identifying a signature project is “what community activity or event is my club known for?”

More helpful links for Signature Projects:

Signature Project Tool Kit

Make Your Signature Project Membership/Partnership Focused

Examples of Signature Projects
Welcome to the 2017-18 Kiwanis administrative year. Beginning with this first issue of the Carolina Kiwanian, your Carolina District of Kiwanis Foundation (CDKF) will present an article of interest in every edition. The articles will cover grant activity, list clubs having made their annual gift since the previous Kiwanian, and other pertinent and helpful information.

To begin, let’s meet the 2017-18 Foundation Executive Committee. The contact information for each board member can be found on the Carolinas District website under Leadership.

Past District Governor Gary Cooper, President
Past District Governor Stan Perry, Secretary/Treasurer
Past Lt. Governor Lynn Deese
Past District Trustee Boyd Dimmock
Past District Governor Pete Duncan
Past Lt. Governor Sid Eagles
Past Lt. Governor Bob Henry
Past District Governor Webster James
Past District Trustee Harold Jones
2017-18 District Governor, Mary Jo Brubaker, serves as an ex-officio member

The Committee meets four times per administrative year. The Fridays of both Midyear and District Convention, we meet face-to-face. First and third quarter meetings are usually conducted via a conference call. Those dates have yet to be set. Grant requests should be received 30 days prior to a scheduled meeting. Only electronic applications are accepted.

The annual club gift letter will mail close to the Christmas Holidays. Enclosed with the gift letter will be the 2016-17 rocker panel that goes below the Foundation patch on your club banner. Clubs who donated on average $5.00 or more per member qualify for the patch. The total number of clubs contributing last year was 70, with total gifts of $16,900. The gifts ranged from $2.33 per member to $15.00 per member. Unfortunately, less than half of our clubs participated. The October 1, 2016 membership was 5920. $5.00 per member would have been $29,600. Our average per member donation based on actual giving was $2.70. We had 179 clubs as of October 1, 2016.

Click here apply for a Foundation grant. You can also go to the District website, www.carolinakiwanis.org, select Resources and then Grant Guidelines. When applying for an SLP charter assistance grant, go to either www.myslp.org or follow the same steps from the District website as you would when searching for a CDKF grant application.

We have yet to reconcile the 2016-17 administrative year for the CDKF. The CDKF awarded over $36,000 in grants and scholarships during the 2015-16 administrative year. The income from club gifts for that period was $19,388 from 77 clubs.

Here’s to a successful 2017-18. Thank you.

Stan Perry, Secretary/Treasurer
Carolinas District Kiwanis Foundation

* A voting member (Officer or Trustee) of the Carolinas District of Kiwanis Board cannot hold a voting position on the Carolinas District of Kiwanis Foundation Board and vice versa.
Welcome New Kiwanians!

Congratulations to the following, who joined a club in August and September of 2017

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The Onslow County Kiwanis club delivered 24 goodie bags on Halloween to those children unable to trick or treat at Onslow Memorial Hospital and had a wonderful time making these kids day!

Above: Tommy Thornhill receives recognition for 65 years’ membership in the Kiwanis Club of Charleston. Right: The Carolinas hosted the Kiwanis Family Conference at the YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly in Black Mountain, NC Nov. 3-5. Attendees of the conference were literally from around the world and were dazzled not only by the beauty of mother nature but the time shared with family and friends (new and old) at this very special Kiwanis event.

Welcome New Clubs!

Division 7
Kannapolis
Ryan Dayvault, President
Tom Schneider, Secretary

Division 18
The Crystal Coast
Mary Clark, President
Michelle Brooks, Secretary

Above Left: New Club President Mary Clark receives the official Charter for the brand new Crystal Coast Kiwanis Club up in Morehead City, NC, on October 24, 2017. Pictured left-to-right with Governor Mary Jo Brubaker, Governor-Elect Greg McDonald and Immediate Past Governor Les King. Above Right: charter members of the newly formed Crystal Coast Club.