Governor Leigh A. Chagnon

GOVERNOR’S MID YEAR MESSAGE
KY-TN District Governor, Leigh Chagnon

I would like to take a moment to wish all of you a very Happy New Year. I want to thank each of you for the work you are doing for families within our district. We have had many entries into the growth contest but sadly only from clubs above charter strength. I know the clubs below charter strength are trying to grow and membership campaigns are difficult just prior to the busy Christmas season.

To all you members in those small clubs, you still have until January 31st to induct that new member and be eligible for the chance to win that $100. In terms of growth in the district, we are at a positive 130 net growth as of December 31; you are doing great!! Continue to be on the lookout for that person who hasn’t been asked yet to be your clubs new member, and be on the lookout for that community that needs a new Kiwanis club. Thanks to you also for the new SLP programs that you have started! Those children will be forever grateful.

The other day when I was reading some articles I came across this thought by Thomas H. Monson, called a Christmas Message. “Christmas is the spirit of giving without a thought of getting. It is happiness because we see joy in people. It is forgetting self and finding time for others. It is discarding the meaningless and stressing the true values.” It may have been a Christmas message but I find it to be the true definition of all of you and all true Kiwanians around the world.

In closing I want to remind all of you of the Mid-Year meetings in Alcoa Tennessee February 3-4. We will have workshops for new as well us veteran members. There will be a CLE (Club Leadership Education) session for presidents-elect and a special session for secretaries. Please!! I hope to see all of you there, ready for the opportunity to learn more of what and who we are, and for a time of great fellowship. ✨

Gratefully, Your Governor,
Leigh

Energize the Dream... Small Hand + Big Dreams = Bright Futures!
# Kids Need Kiwanis

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FROM THE VICE GOVERNOR  
KY-TN District Kiwanis, Russ Williamson

Greetings everyone,

It is the start of a New Year and time to look back on last year. Did you keep our New Year’s resolutions? I know I did not! I thought about it for while over a glass of wine (just one). So I promised myself that I would make only one resolution and keep it this year. Here is what I came up with. I am going to be a better “Kiwanian” this year. That may sound easy but think about it.

What does it take to be a better Kiwanian? To me, being a better Kiwanian is:

Being a better friend, a better father, a better grandfather, a better person for those in need, a better keeper of the faith, a better citizen, a better member of the community, a better voice of the youth of this world, and all-in-all, just being a better person.

Being a Kiwanian is a life style not a job. Every time I wear my Kiwanis pin or put on my Kiwanis shirt, I feel I am part of something great. I cannot see myself not being a Kiwanian. I love that great feeling and the idea that I am part of a larger group that does what they do for others.

I know I will not have any trouble keeping my New Year Resolution this year, because I plan on wearing my pin every day.

You have a wonderful year and enjoy being a Kiwanian because you are great.

Russ Williamson

KT DISTRICT SECRETARY FRAN’S CORNER  
Fran Marion  
KY-TN Kiwanis District Secretary-Treasurer

It's time to plan for your 2017-18 club elections (Annual club meeting): Guidelines can be found in the Standard Form for Club Bylaws, Article 3.3 and Policy E. Article 3.3 “One meeting each year between January 1 and May 15 will be designated as the annual meeting for club elections. At least 30 days previous notice of the annual meeting must be given to members.”

See more resources on timeframe and nominating committee in the KI Leadership Guide, page 61 of the President Section. Don’t forget to report club elections online to KI by June 1, 2017. The Secretary will get a message on the Portal when form available.

We have many new members joining clubs in the KY-TN District of Kiwanis. Is your club educating these new members? Do they really know what Kiwanis is all about? Plan a new member orientation – get a sample on Kiwanis.org!

The first Kiwanis Club is established in Detroit, Michigan - January 21, 1915

Finance: At the district convention, the District Board, at the recommendation of the District Finance Committee, voted to lower the New Member Add Fee to $5.00 for the entire year to help clubs add new members. The Dues amount for current members stayed the same (20.00)

See you at Mid-Year Conference. Please come.
Our teachers are faced with spending personal funds to purchase supplies for children who are less fortunate because of financial difficulties. Since our schools have limited resources, I want to help our teachers and schools focus on teaching rather than struggling to provide basic tools for education.

I have set a lofty goal of supplying 400 bags of school supplies from the KT District to elementary schools in our district. I would also like to include in the bags, supplies that teachers use in the classroom such as dry erase markers, dry erasers, chalk, hand sanitizer and sharpie pens.

I urge each club to make a monetary donation in support of this project. Please send your donations to the KT District Office no later than June 30, 2017 or bring to the Mid-Year Conference. Items will be purchased in bulk to obtain the best pricing. Supplies will be available at the District Convention in Louisville, KY for the members to prepare the bags for distribution.

If your club has already purchased supplies, we would love to have those too!

In addition, if you are a parent or grandparent with a child in a school that will be receiving a bag and you would like to make an individual donation, we will make sure that you will be recognized in addition to your club.

For example, Leigh and I are going to make a donation in memory of our club secretary, Vivian Jackson who we lost recently. I know I have set a huge goal, but if we all do our best, I know we can do it. What better way to promote Kiwanis than to do something for the children in our own communities.

Let’s give these small hands the things they need to accomplish big dreams so all our children have bright futures.

If we Energize the Dream, the future for all children will be bright with no limits. The child you impact today could be the doctor that finds the cure for cancer, and personally for me, Multiple Sclerosis. Who knows that child may even be the President someday! If we Energize the Dream together, the sky is the limit.

Thank you all very much and I look forward to the coming year working with all of you. Remember # KIDS NEED KIWANIS. ✧

First Lady Linda Chagnon
2017 KT District Mid-Year Conference  
Hilton Knoxville Airport  
Alcoa, TN

| Name ___________________________________________ | Division ______  
| (One Kiwanian per form)  
| Club Name_________________________________________ | KY☐ TN☐ GA☐ VA☐  

| Daytime Phone _____________________________ | Email ___________________________________________  
| Spouse or Guest ___________________________________________  

| Early Registration | 115.00 x ____=_____ | 125.00 x _____=____  
| (Includes 3 meals listed below)  
| Registration Only | 65.00 x____=_____ | 75.00 x _____ =____  
| Mid-Year Banquet with Governor | 33.00 x _____=_____  
| (Banquet included with full registration)  
| Kiwanis Breakfast | 17.00x____=____  
| (Breakfast included with full registration)  
| Luncheon with Recognition of Distinguished 15-16 Clubs | 30.00 x _____ =____  
| (Lunch included with full registration)  
| Total ____________  

No refunds after January 25th

Special Food Requirements:

No Sugar ☐ No Red Meat ☐ No Dairy ☐ Other_______________________________

I plan to attend CLE Friday February 3, 2017

New this year!

Presidents Training and Secretary/Treasurer Training

Are you a first time attendee?  YES☐ NO☐

To make room reservations please call: Hilton Knoxville Airport  
McGhee Tyson Airport  
2001 Alcoa Hwy, Alcoa, TN 37701  
(865) 970-4300

Room Rate is 99.00 per night plus tax.

Please send registration form and payment to: KY-TN District of Kiwanis  
1035 Strader Drive Suite 150  
Lexington, KY 40505

Please make check payable to KT District of Kiwanis International  
Questions? Please call 859-422-2256 or email ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org
**KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE DISTRICT OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL**
**MID-YEAR CONFERENCE**
**Hilton Knoxville Airport, Alcoa, TN**
**February 3-4, 2017**

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Kids need Kiwanis and after saying that we are to make it our responsibility to ensure that a safe environment is provided for all of our activities that have children in attendance. What is your club doing to make sure that the environment is safe for all the children we are working with on a daily basis? Have you had your background check? Do you have a policy for background checks? These are a few of the questions that we will address during the workshop.

*Audrey Jones, Builders Club Administrator*

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Has your club done everything it can to limit liability exposure? A member of every club should attend this workshop to learn more.

*Charles Ridenour, District Risk Manager*

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A workshop, entitled "Blow Your Own Horn" will be offered at the Kentucky-Tennessee District Mid-Year Conference. It will largely be a question-and-answer PowerPoint workshop which will help workshop participants identify the most effective way to visually tell their club story both to their community and to their members.

*Glen Kleine, KT District Public Relations Coordinator*

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An informative class featuring Kiwanis partnerships that will be valuable to clubs in the coming months. Three of the twenty partnerships will be reviewed. Plan to attend and “Find a Friend!”

*C. David Elliott, District Partnership Coordinator*

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TRENDING WITH CLUB LEADERSHIP TRAINING
Mark Garman
Louisville Kiwanis Club
KT Kiwanis District
Leadership Development Coordinator

If you are totally into your Smartphone, Tablet, iPhone, iPad, or any digital device, then you are usually looking for “what is trending today.” All of us have our favorite source for trending stories, and today we would like to make Club Leadership Training the top trend.

Online CLE training is a sure trend if you look at statistics over recent years. Kiwanis International (KI) has prepared more online units including units for the Committee Chair and Club Treasurer, and KI has updated the important Youth Protection Guidelines. Go to the KI website and search for the lead and learn buttons. Online training. Kiwanis has designed a self-paced online experience that gives you flexibility to learn when you have time. You can complete the training all at once or in multiple visits to the web site.

All incoming officers are invited to participate at the Mid-Year conference coming soon in Knoxville/Alcoa. That invitation is extended especially to the presidents-elect, vice presidents and secretaries. These classroom sessions will unveil new and improved CLE training content, which I promise will be beneficial if you attend and participate. Sign up today with your Mid-Year Registration. If you are “trending” towards leadership in Kiwanis, but do not yet hold and office, you too are invited; please sign up to attend.

Make 2017 a great year for all officers to learn, re-learn, or discover the benefits of Club Leadership Education (CLE). On behalf of Governor Leigh Chagnon and the entire KY-TN leadership, we are urging every club to participate in these training sessions. Call or email me with your questions at: Mark Garman 502-262-2321 (cell) or markg620@aol.com.

FROM THE EDITOR
Don Ritter

Holiday seasons are busy times for most of us, including those who submit articles for the KT Notes. My thanks go to all of you who took the time to write and submit your news. Without you, there would not be the quality KT Notes we all desire.

Help us, help you! Remember that one of the criteria used for determining if we can print what you send is that what you send should contain information about what your club is doing to support the mission of children and community. Some materials that appear in the newsletter may seem not to reflect that criteria, but it is hoped that those articles provide you with information helpful to all Kiwanians as they work for their children and their communities.

Sometimes, articles we receive that are problematic for inclusion are sent as club newsletters. It is very difficult with our limited computer capability to lift those articles and print them. Usually, if we use them, they must be re-typed. In addition, photos in newsletters are very difficult, sometimes impossible, to transfer to the KT Notes.

If you have any questions or thoughts for your editor, do not hesitate to send them to me at knotes16@gmail.com. And, as always, we thank you for your articles and your support. We want you to have a forum through which you can inform others about what our Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanians are doing.

Don
Kiwanis Partners bring value to our clubs by providing services and products that enhance our service and work in our respective communities. There are multiple levels of partnerships, each with a unique program or product that can complement our club’s personality. By working together we will develop revenue and resource streams that help our KY-TN Kiwanis family continue our mission of service.

The Mid-Year Conference is Friday & Saturday February 3 and 4, 2017. District Partnership will have two workshops, each featuring different partner products and services. This will allow every club to attend one or both of the workshops and really get to know six of the partners. Also look for the District Partnership booth and banner.

National Pancake Day Saturday March 7, 2017 is at your local IHOP Restaurant. In communities where there is/are IHOP Restaurant(s), the local Kiwanis club can partner with the Restaurant to raise money for Children’s Miracle Network. Since its beginning in 2006, IHOP Restaurants have raised nearly $24 Million for Children’s Miracle Network. Contact your local restaurant manager now and partner with them on March 7. The club can promote family and friends eating at the IHOP on March 7 and members can be there to help with serving and donations. During the first Mid-year workshop you will get all the details you will need. Come with the address of the IHOP or IHOPs you have contacted along with the manager’s name and contact information. This is a very straight forward one-day project with the club membership involved on the day of the project.

C. David Elliott, chair
Cdelliott@gmail.com
(931) 551-6204 cell

Editor’s Note. KT Kiwanis will partner with local IHOPs to raise money for National Pancake Day to raise money for the Children’s Miracle Network Tuesday.
A K-KIDS UPDATE
By Edye Bryant
K-Kids District Administrator

KT K-Kids welcomed their newest Club in Athens TN this past fall at Westside Elementary School!

There are at least two more new K-Kids Clubs in the process of organizing, but their paperwork has not yet been received.

While K-Kids will still have some end of year contests for Clubs and Members (Club Achievement, Service Project, Scrapbook, Leadership, etc), monthly contests for all K-Kids Clubs will also be featured this year. In February, the Contest is “Best Poster for a Cause.”

Details and entry information can be found at:

Kiwanis Secretaries-- please be sure you have updated both the Kiwanis and the School Advisers via the Secretaries Dashboard at kiwanisone.org. This is currently the only way to update the contact information for International and the District Administrators.

GOVERNOR LEIGH’S MEMBERSHIP CONTEST
Governor Leigh Chagnon

We are going to have a contest with the purpose of growing membership in our clubs. There will be a drawing for eligible KY-TN District Kiwanis members in clubs that are under strength. Here are the rules. Each Kiwanian who sponsors one or more new members between December 1, 2016 and January 31, 2017 will be eligible for this drawing. A prize of $100.00 will go to the winner of the drawing. There will be a second drawing for eligible members of all other clubs (clubs that are not under strength). The same rules and dates apply to this second drawing. Similarly, a second prize of $100 will go to the winner of the second drawing. Both drawings will take place at the 2017 Mid-Year Conference. My goal is to inspire growth in all clubs throughout the KY-TN district.

#Kids Need Kiwanis
- What: The Kiwanis Club of Chattanooga recently dedicated an addition to the East Lake Elementary School playground featuring a permanent sign listing the primary sponsors who provided funds, materials or services to complete the $25,000 project. Employees of PlayCore partnered with members of the Kiwanis Club, school staff and parents for a week of volunteer days to install the new playground equipment.

- Benefits: East Lake Elementary School, which has been operating at 133 percent of its designed capacity and its previous playground, was not serving the needs of the growing student body.

Funds were raised through grants and through a "Pentathlon Challenge" held at McCallie School in May. At the challenge, area businesses sponsored teams to compete in five events. The winning teams were sponsored by PlayCore and the Chattanooga Area Schools Federal Credit Union.
SUPPORTING OUR FRIENDS IN GATLINBURG

Ray Scott
Tellico Village Kiwanis Club

A group of Kiwanians from the Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village spent a day in Gatlinburg just after Christmas, to support the merchants and townspeople. The shop keepers were very welcoming and so thankful for the visitors. They said to tell everyone to come to Gatlinburg and see for themselves that the town has come back and survived the devastating fires, because Gatlinburg is there for the tourists.

It was humbling to see how close the fires came to the little village. One lady said that her church was saved because it had a slate roof and was built of stone. Another shop owner told how the main street was lined on both sides with fire engines from every nearby town, shooting water over the shops towards the surrounding woods that were in flames. They heard many stories of sadness, miracles, friendship and strength of the spirited people of Gatlinburg. “People must know that the town wasn’t destroyed, but is still standing and waiting to serve its visitors.”

Clubs and groups from Tellico Village are encouraged to follow the lead of the Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village and drive over to the mountains to help those courageous people. The goal was to purchase something in three stores, have a meal and leave a generous tip. The townspeople were so grateful for the visit and generosity, and are anxious to see the tourists come back. The group was very moved by the up-beat spirit of the people it met.

As the Kiwanis group was leaving, they faced bumper-to-bumper traffic arriving in the village. A beautiful sight!

The group in the pictured taken by photographer Rich Grech, are; Mick Gardner, Adele Gardner, Cheryl Grech, Dan Kuzdzal, Donna Kuzdzal, Phil Rothrock, Paul Thornton and Ruth Thornton.
In a ceremony and tree lighting celebration on the steps of the Beattyville courthouse, the Kiwanis Club of Beattyville was given the honor of being asked to be the Grand Marshall of the Christmas Spirit Parade on Friday, December 9. The Kiwanis Club of Beattyville has been passing out Christmas treat bags to children of the community for over 70 years. Klwanian Cindy Evanoff, club vice-president, accepted a plaque to commemorate, on this great occasion, the club’s designation as the Christmas Parade Grand Marshall.
Fellow Kiwanians! We are proud to tell you that Kiwanians of the Winchester Club partnered with Emma and Susan Mittmesser and Ann Stencil to plan, design and decorate the float that ultimately won first place in this year’s Winchester Christmas Parade. Emma and Susan collaborated with Students in the Clark County Schools maintained the parade theme of Say it With Heart. As they created the paper ornaments, snowflakes and tree in designing the float. It was a fun day of fellowship that was also used as an opportunity to market our club. Maintaining our place in the community has been greatly magnified this year through our completed projects. We had special thanks for the children and grandchildren loaned to us to ride the float and hand out candy canes. In addition to the partnership of many people, we also appreciate Thom Schoolmaster for putting the project together so quickly for us with the help of Allison Roberts, Cindy Banks, Ed Buckner, Pat & Russ, Coos Ockers, and Kirby Roberts. What a great team!!!
The Lexington Kiwanis Club had a very busy December. On the 10th, they teamed with members of their Henry Clay Key Club and rang bells for the Salvation Army at the Beaumont Kroger, raising nearly $900 during their 10 hours of bell-ringing.

In addition to monthly mentoring at Harrison Elementary School and delivering food for Meals on Wheels, they teamed with Santa and the Friends of the Lexington Public Library to present 700 books to Harrison Elementary students (two books each for approximately 325 students).

They also sent in the re-charter paperwork for the Transylvania University Circle K International (CKI). The CKI club at Transylvania set up a card making station at the Douglas Gay Library on the Transylvania Campus. Students could then take a quick break from their studies to make Christmas and Holiday cards for families at the Lexington Ronald McDonald House.

The Henry Clay High School Key Club (sponsored by the Lexington Kiwanis Club) joined with Kiwanians participating in their activities (that included the Salvation Army bell-ringing described above), and they started a couple of new traditions of their own. One of those new Key Club traditions involved providing a Pre-Thanksgiving dinner from Fazoli’s for the residents of the Lexington Ronald McDonald House. The Key Club was invited to be Santa Assistants at Hamburg Pavilion one weekend in December where they handed out hot chocolate, cookies, and helped with pictures of Santa. The Senior Key Clubbers also were dressed as elves when Kiwanis and Santa delivered books to Harrison Elementary Students. They provided candy canes for the students and school staff. The Key Club closed December with a dinner at Chili’s and gift wrapping at the local Barnes and Noble Book Store. 
A ‘Toy Moving Project’ by the combined Oak Ridge and Clinton Key Clubs and the Oak Ridge Kiwanis Club was held at and for the Oak Ridge Holiday Bureau on Tuesday, December 6, 2016. Holiday Bureau folks provided direction for the toy movement and stuffing small toy into bags. Toys were moved from storage areas in the back of the building to bins in the front. Beginning Thursday December 8 toys were selected for their children and youth by family representatives. The December 6 service project was similar to one held at the Holiday Bureau in prior years.

Photos were taken during the Project and one or two accompany this article. Much effort was directed to putting small toys and figures into bags for family selection as ‘stocking stuffers’. A Kiwanis check was presented to the Holiday Bureau during the evening.
What is Corporate Membership?
A corporate membership allows your club to add a local company or organization as a “member” via a designated membership seat.

How it works:
• The organization joins the club as a member, following the usual process.
• The company is represented at meetings and events by a designated employee.
• If the designated employee changes jobs, a new employee can be designated to take his or her place without being charged a new member fee.

For companies interested in corporate social responsibility, this membership is appealing because of the value of affiliation with a well-respected service organization. The club wins too: The member represents company interests within the club and develops a relationship between the company, Kiwanis and other community groups. This is great for corporations where employees transfer every few years. There is no limit to the number of corporate memberships a company may have in a club. Each member pays club dues just like any other club member. An employer can send different employees to the meetings, but only as guests of the corporate member or the club.

Editor’s Note. If you have questions about Kiwanis, send them to Vivian Heaton at the KT District office and watch this page for the answer.

Snapshots!
DO YOU HAVE A YAHOO ACCOUNT?
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This fall Yahoo has announced two data breaches with 500 million and a billion accounts stolen.

There are a large number of people hacking into various business, government and individual accounts all the time. There is no way to have a server connected to the Internet that is completely protected from breaches. You can make it more secure and the data more secure but you cannot stop a break-in from possibly happening. In addition, the more you make your material available to people the more openings there are to break into. So be assured there are break-ins and attempted break-ins of all systems all the time. Think of it like a store. If you allow people to touch merchandise, shoplifting can occur.

You may have accounts at Yahoo that may have been stolen and not realize it. The media has played it up like it was email accounts stolen, but Yahoo is a lot more than that. Any account at Yahoo is subject to breaches.

Accounts that may have been stolen (Yahoo has not been clear about this yet) include Yahoo email accounts, email accounts that Yahoo administers, Flickr (Yahoo’s photo service), their fantasy sports programs, their blogging service, Yahoo Groups and others.

Email accounts run or administered by Yahoo include most of the former Bell telephone accounts like AT&T, BellSouth and others. When you go into your email look at the top to see if it says it is powered by Yahoo. If so it is probably in breach. Google also administers accounts for others and so does Microsoft. A lot of college email accounts are administered by Microsoft.

What should you do if you think you have a Yahoo account? Change the password on the account. If you have other accounts that use the same password and username, change those account passwords. I would encourage you to use different passwords everywhere. An easy way to do that is to use something about the site in the password (but not just that). CNN has suggested you delete your old emails but that makes no sense. If they were stolen they already have them, so doing that does not stop them.

Send your questions about computers to me at the paper or to my e-mail: dwight@dwightwatt.com and tell me you read this in this paper. I will pick a question to answer each week.

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CLARKSVILLE KIWANIS SPONSORS VETERAN ESSAY CONTEST
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This is the 16th year of the Clarksville Kiwanis “Interview a Veteran Essay Contest” with over 14,000 students interviewing veterans and active military personnel, using their interview information to write essays. This year’s school winners were awarded Tuesday at the Annual Essay Awards Luncheon with over 100 veterans, parents, teachers, principals and Kiwanians in attendance. The topic of the 2016 contest was “How (Veteran)’s Service & Sacrifice Helps Me Better Understand Freedom”.

This year’s Middle School Grand Winner was Michelle Lamborn, seventh grader at Northeast Middle School. She wrote about her father, Major David Lamborn, who is currently deployed with the 101st Airborne in Iraq. He is expected to return home soon. Michelle said, “I used to get upset that my dad couldn’t play soccer with me because he was always deployed, but now I finally understand that he is helping the United States keep our people safe.”

The High School Grand Winner was Elijah Urquhart, son of Chaplain Major Dan and Autumn Urquhart of Fort Campbell. He wrote about his father counseling families of fallen soldiers and how their loved one’s sacrifice for our freedom should never be forgotten. Elijah ended with, “I learned that even as a military child, I sometimes take freedom for granted. I now have a greater gratitude for our soldiers and veterans.”

Ann Clem, Essay Contest Chair, said that this year’s essays were excellent and that 533 essays were received from 20 schools. Each school winner received a plaque and $100 and the grand winners received an extra $100 donated by Corlew Chevrolet Cadillac. A United States flag was flown over the US Capitol at the request of Representative Marsh Blackburn.

Kiwanian Ron Smithfield said “It is gratifying for our members to see young citizens learn from these local patriots and gain confidence in writing and speaking. We call it connecting the generations.”

We depend on the Kiwanis Club projects like the Smoked Turkey sales, Pancake Day and the Kiwanis Rodeo in May for most of the funding for this worthwhile project. Everything Kiwanis does is dedicated to helping children and young citizens.
WINCHESTER KIWANIS SUPPORTS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION
Russ Morrison
Winchester Kiwanis

The Winchester Kiwanis Club hosted Greg Yates, Director for Partners in Education (PIE), at our Wednesday lunch meeting on December 7 at the Taste of China. After Mr. Yates explained the benefits that PIE provides for the Clark County school system, the club made a donation, presenting a $500 check to help them with their efforts to support our students through the Good Giving Program. The check was presented by club President-Elect Thom Schoolmaster. Donations for PIE can be made this month online at https://bqgives.razoo.com/giving_events/bg16/home
KEY CLUB: WHERE SERVICE COMES TRUE
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In just two months, the Kentucky-Tennessee District of Key Club will be holding its District Convention, which is affectionately referred to as DCON by Key Clubbers. The theme of the convention is “Key Club: Where Service Comes True.” This weekend will surely be filled with fun, excitement, and service.

DCON is being held at the Park Vista Doubletree Hotel in Gatlinburg, TN from March 17th-19th. As you know, Gatlinburg recently endured terrible wildfires. Fortunately the Park Vista is safe and ready to hold the convention, and Gatlinburg is still bustling and vibrant.

Scott Backovich, a highly sought-after teen advice expert and motivational speaker, will be Keynote Speaker. Devin Sun, the Key Club International President, and Key Club International Trustee, Shinbee Park, will also be attending this year’s DCON. We are incredibly excited to welcome these international representatives to the KT District.

At DCON, Key Clubbers will attend workshops designed to help them and their clubs be as successful as possible; be recognized and awarded for their accomplishments throughout the year; participate in a service project; and elect new officers for the 2017-2018 year. There will be a Service Fair where clubs to showcase their successful service projects, and Key Club members will be able to participate in a variety of individual competitions.

Finally, the weekend will be filled with friendship. Throughout the weekend, Key Clubbers will be meeting each other and having fun. On elevator rides, people from across the district will introduce themselves. In workshops, they will get to work with people they’ve never met before. At the dance they will gladly dance with people who live hours away. For a few days, the KT District of Key Club will be together as one big happy family in Gatlinburg. The weekend promises to be one to remember.

Registration Information Packets were sent to all Key Clubs in December and registration information is now available online at https://www.ktkey.org/dcon2017/.

Contact your sponsored Key Clubs to encourage them to attend, and if possible, help them attend. Be sure Key Club members in your area have the opportunity to attend this memorable weekend.
A CLARKSVILLE KIWANIS HEAD START CHRISTMAS PARTY
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The Clarksville Kiwanis Club hosted 144 Head Start children from the Clarksville area to a great Christmas Party with singing, a visit from Santa Claus (aka Past President Chris Lanier) and a huge bag of toys. The local Key Club members wrapped over 1000 presents the night before. Hilldale Kiwanians helped with the Key Club "Wrapping Party".

Over $8000 in funding from the Clarksville Club and about 400 service hours were contributed to make this a successful project. Planning is now underway for an even bigger Children's Christmas Party next year.

Funds were donated by members through the weekly "pot money," the Kiwanis Rodeo in May and the Pancake Day in March. The children were excited and the members an even better understanding about the Kiwanis mission of helping children.