



KT NOTES

2016-2017 March

Governor Leigh A. Chagnon

GOVERNOR'S MARCH MESSAGE

Governor Leigh Chagnon



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

My fellow Kiwanians,

I just want to start this message by thanking all those that came to the Mid-Year Conference in Alcoa, TN. We had 133 members and guests present. Most of all I am encouraged by the fact that we had 17 first time attendees! I have received many positive comments on the meeting. Everybody seemed to enjoy the entertainment Friday evening and the young people that preformed on Saturday during the lunch were inspiring. They gave us all a chance to see what our Aktion clubs are doing and can do. I realized that before Aktion clubs were formed, this beautiful part of our society was overlooked. This little group of musicians has a unique way of sharing our Kiwanis brand out in our communities.

I want to give a special thanks to the workshop facilitators for their preparation in presenting some very informative sessions. From what I have heard, the new CLE training format went very well. The new approach for CLE training is to split the class and have one class just for the presidents and a separate class for the secretaries. I know that is the way it will be at District Convention in August. The first session of each CLE training will inform participants about the I Plan and how to continue to work it into your club's strategic plan.

I am extremely lucky to have such a great group of lieutenant governors. If you are a club president and need assistance, your lieutenant governor is there to help you in any way you need.

Please be working with your club secretary on becoming qualified as a distinguished club. Your club secretary has all the tools needed on their dashboard to chart your clubs progress. Distinguished member information can be found at:

<http://www.kiwanis.org/kiwanisone/lead/distinguished-recognition/2016-17-distinguished-member-form#.WLBV5DsrK70>

Remember that it is time to start looking for club members to nominate for club officers, directors, and membership and public relations chairs. Divisions need to plan their council meetings to elect lieutenant governors and lieutenant governors-elect for the 2017-2018 Kiwanis year. *Continued on page 3*

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FROM THE EDITOR

Don Ritter

If you were seeking great leadership training, it was there. If you were seeking excellent workshops, they were there. If it was good food and good entertainment that you wanted, they were there. The 2017 Mid-Year Conference at Alcoa, TN had all those plus good Kiwanis fellowship. If you were in attendance, you experienced all those things. If you missed the conference, you were missed and the pictures in this issue of the *KT Notes* will give you some idea of what you missed. You should make a pledge to attend the 2017 KT Convention August 11-13 in Louisville and you should make a pledge not to miss the 2018 Midyear Conference.

Something new has been added to this issue of the *KT Notes*. Laughter is supposed to be good medicine, and if there is anything that marks a Kiwanian (in addition to his/her work for children and community), it is the ability to have laughter and fun. Beginning with this issue, we will attempt to give you some of that good medicine. Now we understand that much of the humor we find these days is humor many of us have already encountered. If that is the case for you, we hope to give you an additional opportunity to laugh at an old joke. If we get lucky and select a joke you haven't heard, we trust that what amuses us will, in turn, amuse you. If that is not the case for you, be patient. Perhaps the humor chosen for the next issue of the *Notes* will do a better job of tickling your funny bone. And if we are really lucky, it might even consist of a joke you have not heard.

In the meanwhile, thanks for all you do to positively change the world, one child and one community at time. ✧

Don



Reports Matter

Governor-Elect Dale Hawkins

You may ask yourself: Do my monthly reports truly matter? My answer to that question is, a definite "yes!" If we are going to continue on the right growth path, those reports must come in.

You communicate with us through your reports. Your monthly reports are like medical reports to us at the district level. Not only are we able to judge your club's health, strengths and possible weaknesses, but from your reports we may be able to determine what we can do to help you grow your club. And there just might be the possibility that through information gained from your reports, you will be able to help your neighbor's club grow.

Your report gives us statistics telling us what we are doing right or doing wrong. We can more easily change and grow when we know what needs to be changed. Of great importance to us are the number of service hours, service leadership programs and activities, interclubs, the officers and their contact information.

These things all matter. The job is never done until the paperwork is done. Do you need help with these issues? There Kiwanians in your division and in the district who can help. Don't hesitate to ask for that help. ✧

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Governor Leigh Chagnon

I am asking again for every club to assign a member to be your membership chairperson NOW so we can start working with them to help grow membership as we finish this year and as we get a jump start on next year. Just ask a person and then enter their name on this month's club secretary's dashboard under club elections. There is a place to enter that person's name right below the officer's names. If you have difficulty, just call Vivian at the district office and she will help you.

I am asking each club this year to give a donation to the KT District Foundation and to International's Kiwanis Children's Fund (formally known as the International Foundation). I know that they ask for donations in the amounts that many clubs can't afford. All I am asking is that you give at least \$1.00 per member to the district and to International; let's shoot for 100 percent participation!

Please don't forget Linda's First Lady Project for the elementary school teachers of our communities. Through this project we will be able to help many teachers and children.

Our Key Club Convention is March 17-19 at Park Vista Hotel, Gatlinburg, TN. I hope all clubs helped their Key Club so that those wonderful high school students have a chance to participate in their convention.

In closing I want to thank all of you from the bottom of my heart for all the great work you are doing. The amount of service projects, parades, and festivals you are doing to get our name out there is amazing.

The good news is spreading and it shows in the numbers. As I write this article we have grown by 397 new members and that means we have a net growth of 192 new members. We also have two new clubs, and we have three new clubs very close to being ready to charter. We have also chartered 12 new Key clubs.

You should all be very proud of what you have accomplished so far this year. My buttons will be popping this coming weekend when I am at International for the Governors meeting so I can brag on all of you. Again I thank all of you very much and hope you keep up the great work. ✧

#Kids Need Kiwanis

IT'S TIME TO REPORT ON FINANCES

P.R. Cook
Finance Chair

Thanks to everyone who attended the Mid-Year Conference in Alcoa. I hope all clubs are making plans to join us in Louisville for the District Convention in August. If you have not made plans to send representatives from your club, please make plans now.

Thanks to the hard work by District Secretary Treasurer Fran and her assistant Vivian and past District officers and board members, the District is in very good financial shape. The Audit for the 2015 – 2016 fiscal year was approved at Mid-Year. The District has funded the commitment made to the Eliminate Project in the amount of \$25,000. Thanks to all who participated in the completion of that commitment.

However, we did lose money on the District Convention held in Chattanooga. The loss occurred because of our failure to fulfill minimum hotel room nights. I hope to write an article for the May KT Notes to address how we can all work together to prevent a loss from occurring in Louisville.

Thanks to everyone for your service as a member of the KT District.
PR

JUST FOR LAUGHS

The preacher sent a message for his IRS agent and his lawyer to come to his home. When they arrived, they were ushered up to his bedroom. As they entered the room, the preacher held out his hands and motioned for them to sit on each side of the bed. The preacher grasped their hands, sighed contentedly, smiled and stared at the ceiling. For a time, no one said anything. Both the IRS agent and lawyer were touched and flattered that the old preacher would ask them to be with him during his final moment. They were also puzzled because the preacher had never given any indication that he particularly liked either one of them. Finally, the lawyer asked, "Pastor, why did you ask the two of us to come here?" "The old preacher mustered up some strength, then said weakly, "Jesus died between two thieves, and that's how I want to go, too."



KT DISTRICT SECRETARY FRAN'S CORNER

Fran Marion
KY-TN Kiwanis District Secretary-Treasurer

Important – It's time for club elections – File your results, the names of your new officers and board members, on line by June 1st. Also report the names of your membership and PR chairperson. If you have any problems or questions, call the district office.

Does your treasurer give a treasurer's report each month at your club board meetings? If not, require that this report be given. Board members need to know what is in that report each month.

Do all your club members know the division in which their club is located? Do they know the name of the current KY-TN Governor? If not this is an indication that, you should have a club orientation.

Has your club secretary asked the membership for updated information to correct email, addresses and phone numbers in the member section on KiwanisOne? This should be done.

Watch for the Convention Special Edition of the *KT Notes* – Coming soon. ✧

Fran

AWARDS ANNOUNCED AT THE MID-YEAR CONFERENCE

Past Governor Chuck Fletcher

The Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District is the **BEST!** Thanks to all of you for the compliments and notes you have placed on Facebook as we continue to touch the lives of others and as we encourage folks to join our Kiwanis Clubs and develop SLPs (Student Leadership Programs) in the Kiwanis District. "We Are Kiwanis!"

The Annual Mid-Year Conference 2015-2016 awards recognizing distinguished Lieutenant governors and clubs was an inspiration. Congratulations to the following:

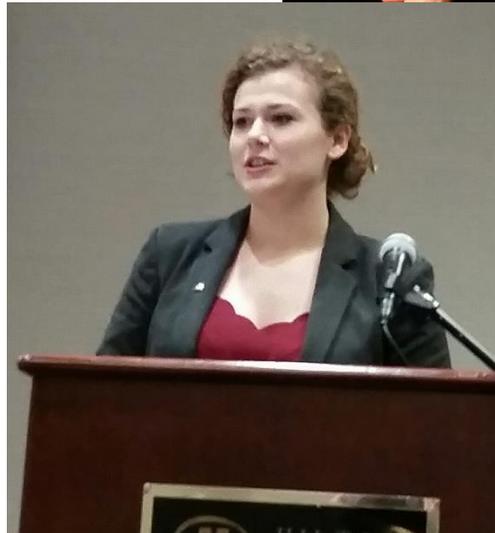
Distinguished Lieutenant Governors

Jim Fairweather – Division 4
David Coulter – Division 5
Virginia Combs – Division 6
Donna Ratliff – Division 8
Russ Morrison – Division 9



Distinguished Clubs

Tullahoma, TN – Division 1
Lebanon, TN – Division 2
Putnam County, TN – Division 2
Tellico Village, TN – Division 4
Athens, TN – Division 4
Sweetwater, TN – Division 4
Maryville, TN – Division 5
Williamsburg, KY – Division 6
Erwin, TN – Division 7
Bluegrass, KY – Division 10
Frankfort, KY – Division 10
Williamstown, KY – Division 10
Bowling Green, KY – Division 14
Clarksville, TN – Division 14
Nashville, TN – Division 18



The award recognition I received from Governor Leigh was a BIG surprise. I am grateful and appreciative to have had the opportunity to represent you and to say "I love Kiwanis." Most of all, **#KidsNeedKiwanis.**

Governor Leigh is doing an awesome job through his leadership as can be seen by the fact that the KT District is ahead of where it was this time last year. I am looking forward to bringing new members into our awesome Kiwanis Family this year.

Kudos to Sue Fleschner, our new CKI Administrator, and to our CKI Governor, Maddie Potter. As they work with our college students in the year ahead, they will make the Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis CKI one of the best.

Again thanks for the recognition. I am looking forward to seeing you at the convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

Chuck

REVIEW OF CLUB LEADERSHIP EDUCATION SESSIONS AT MID YEAR CONFERENCE

By Mark Garman and Bob Ergenbright
Certified CLE Instructors

Trending: Officer Education for Clubs

The recent Mid-Year training featured for the first time two different officer training sessions. We have offered President's training for many years at our Mid-Year, and District Conventions. We have also offered regional summer classroom sessions, and will continue to offer them this summer. New this year was the extended time class for both secretaries and treasurers.

The Secretary/Treasurer training, led by CLE trainer Bob Ergenbright, focused on a broad overview of the responsibilities of that office, implementation of duties, and resources available to both the secretary and to their respective clubs. The class used the *Kiwanisone.org website* and the *Leadership Guide* as primary resources during the class. After a detailed discussion of the resources available on the Kiwanis website, the class used a club secretary's website to dig deep into the online reporting process. In addition, the class reinforced the various due dates for Kiwanis International and the Kentucky-Tennessee District reporting, as well as the current dues schedule. Following the presentation, there was time for informal discussion of both general and specific issues identified by the participants resulting from insights generated by the class. In the evaluations of the class, participants indicated that they had received more useful information than they could receive from just the Kiwanis International online training modules.

The duties of the secretary and the treasurer demand the capabilities of persons who are comfortable with details. Every year there are changes in those duties making it crucial that every secretary and treasurer attend these CLE sessions which provide updates for current officers and basic training for new officers.

The training class for presidents teaches a large number of topics helpful in successfully running a Kiwanis Club. Topics include: How to run a meeting; How to conduct the board meeting; Setting SMART goals; developing a budget and successfully incorporating the I-Plan into the function of a club. These are just a few of the topics covered in the four hour classroom session. Part of the session provides for a very good discussion of the success stories each club has experienced regarding fund raising events, favorite service projects, best strategies to gain membership, and the best method to communicate how your club works to serve the children in the local community and the world. Learning what other clubs have done to be successful can help others in running their club.

Make plans now to attend the Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention in Louisville, KY, in August and, if you have not done so, take the opportunity to experience the live CLE class training for your office. You will be glad you did – and so will your club.

TRAINING



Meet the Candidates



**Kendra
Skidmore**

My history with Kiwanis began on October 7, 2010. The volunteer roles have evolved to include: Club President, serving on our Board of Directors, Convention Strategic Planning Committee, Distinguished Lt Governor for Division 10 under PR Cook, KT Formula Club Opener and most recently KT District Formula Vice Chair. I have been honored to represent the Kentucky-Tennessee District at all three national Formula Club Opening events in Chicago, Seattle and Philadelphia with success and gratitude.

I am a single parent to a wonderful Junior at the University of Kentucky and current Kiwanis member Breanna Skidmore. There is no greater pride than to see her giving of her time to others at a young age.

I graduated in 2005 from Shawnee State University with a degree in Dental Hygiene and am currently employed full time with two offices that have are some of the few in Kentucky that care for adults and children with disabilities. I have lived in various area's of Kentucky including; Lewis, Mason, Greenup, Bourbon and reside in Harrison county.

I feel blessed and honored by my membership with Kiwanis for not only bearing witness to hope in action but the impact it has had on me personally as well. ✧



Jim Gazay

I am very passionate about our cause, our organization and the work we do in our communities. I will be equally determined as your Vice Governor to deliver the results required to keep our Kiwanis clubs thriving in existing, as well as, new communities. As an organization we must continue to adopt innovative approaches that build long-term success, not short-term wins. We must find new ways to deliver services that aid our children, build new partnerships internally and externally, and meet the needs and unique demands of our communities. It is imperative that our clubs continue to be a vital and integral part of every community; therefore, it is crucial we develop and place district leaders with the organizational skills and abilities to find and invest in the techniques and technologies that will make all our clubs a success. If elected I will focus my organizational experience, leadership and management skills on membership retention and growth, club expansions, services oriented to the needs of our children and most importantly help our clubs evolve so that a new generation will take up and carry on with our mission and our passion to serve our children. **Working together we can achieve greatness!** ✧

GOVERNOR LEIGH'S MEMBERSHIP CONTEST



Winners!

Margot Fosnes (*Not pictured*)
Springfield, Tennessee

Felicia Bland
Franklin- Simpson,
Kentucky

Presenter: Kendra Skidmore
Formula District Vice Chair

FIRST LADY LINDA INSPIRED RHONDA TO PASS THE HAT Don Ritter, *KT Notes* Editor



There is a saying heard at least in Kentucky and Tennessee (and probably elsewhere). It goes something like this: If you are going to have a church service you have to take up a collection. By that definition, Rhonda Vrell must be a preacher.

At the 2017 KY-TN Mid-Year Conference last month (February 2017), First Lady Linda Chagnon's First Lady Project, *Back to the Future*, was shared with conference participants. It appears that Kiwanis International Area Director Rhonda Vrell might be a preacher, because she was so inspired with what she heard that she passed "the hat" and asked Kiwanians to give in support of First Lady Linda's project. **She collected \$800.** *Continues on page 9*

FIRST LADY LINDA INSPIRED RHONDA TO PASS THE HAT Don Ritter, *KT Notes* Editor

We caught up with Linda after lunch on Saturday and decided to see what we could learn about this caring lady in order that we might share her story with you.

Linda earned her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Tennessee, and with degree in hand, she became an elementary teacher in Powell County. She was a special needs teacher for seven years, but her teaching career ended when she was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis.

I asked about her project. Linda revealed that, sharing Leigh's love of Kiwanis and children, she joined Kiwanis two years ago. She said: "Children are our most valuable resource; they are our future." She is seeking donations, funds that can be used to purchase supplies in bulk for the basic school needs of children whose families cannot provide them.

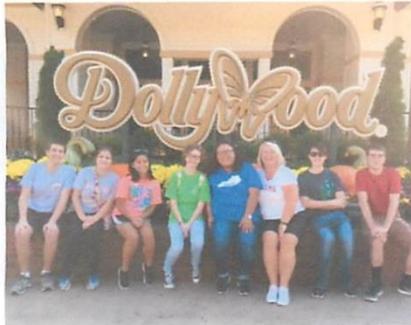
She has seen children who came from families unable to provide the tools and resources needed for a good education. Additionally, Linda has watched their teachers take money out of their own pockets to pay for supplies to give to those children. She has nothing but praise for those unselfish teachers. Linda said, **"We don't know what the child we help today will be five years from now but we must remember to help them, one child at a time. We must do whatever we can for children, touching the lives of as many children as we can. Who knows (she went on to say), there may be a pair of scissors and glue stick in a child's hands today but tomorrow that child might be a surgeon with a scalpel in his or her hands."**

Clearly, First Lady Linda is a compassionate and unselfish person of action. She cares for her husband, for people and for children. Linda is a quiet but determined Kiwanian whose philosophy is: The less you say, the more you get done. We applaud her for **HER** unselfishness and we urge you to do the same by donating to her most worthy project, one that may make a difference in some child who you probably will never know what you did but who someday may, in turn, make a significant difference in the world and in the lives of others. ✧



YOU ARE INVITED!

THE MEMBERS OF THE KIWANIS CLUB OF LAWRENCEBURG INVITE
YOU TO THE CLUB CHARTER CEREMONY



Top: Our ACHS Key Club students attending the 2016 Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention! Below: Cake donated by Walmart for our Key Club parent night.



Club Charter Program

Dinner will be served, followed by the joint Charter ceremony for the Kiwanis Club of Lawrenceburg and the ACHS Key Club.

Banquet Dinner Tickets: \$10 per person. Payment is expected at the event.

*Meatless options will be available.

RSVP Required!!!

Please RSVP prior to March 23 to
Jacque Zeller via email:

jacque.zeller@anderson.kyschools.us

or via telephone: 502-839-3754 (*leave a message if no answer*)

Donations are also gladly accepted and will go 100% to serve kids in the Anderson County community.

***Shout Out to the Culinary Cats at
ACHS for catering this event!***

Event Information

Tuesday, April 11, 6:30 PM

Dress for this event is Business Casual.

Anderson County High School
East Wing Cafeteria (follow the signs)
1 Bearcat Drive
Lawrenceburg, Kentucky

KY-TN Kiwanis Interclub Awards 2015-16		
Harper Gatton Awards		
	Clubs	Division
Section 1 (20 & Less)		
First Place	Tullahoma	Division 1
Second Place	West Knoxville	Division 5
Third Place	Berea	Division 9
Section 2 (40-21)		
First Place	Putnam Co	Division 2
Second Place	Winchester	Division 9
Third Place	Ashland-Breakfast	Division 16
Section 3 (60-41)		
First Place	Hilldale	Division 14
Second Place	Sweetwater	Division 4
Third Place	Irvine-Ravena	Division 9
Section 4 (61 and above)		
First Place	Newport	Division 5
Second Place	Maryville	Division 5
Third Place	Alcoa	Division 5
Don Mills Service Award		
1st Place	Alcoa	Division 5
2nd Place	N/A	
3rd Place	N/A	
Wild Horse Interclub Award		
1st Place	Maryville, TN	Division 5
Governors Excellence Interclub Award		
Tullahoma	x	Div 1
Putnam County	x	Div 2
Alcoa	x	Div 5
Maryville	x	Div 5
Newport	x	Div 5
Sevierville	x	Div 5
Greeneville	x	Div 7
Winchester	x	Div 9
Clarksville	x	Div 14

PADUCAH KIWANIS IS SELLING EASTER HAMS

Mason DeJarnett
Kiwanis Club of Paducah, Kentucky

The Kiwanis Club of Paducah will hold their annual ham sale now through Monday, April 10th. Proceeds from the event will be used to support the Kiwanis Scholarship Fund. In 2016, more than \$14,000 in scholarship money was distributed to students from area schools.

Hams are \$40 and will be available for pick-up on Good Friday, April 14 from 10 am – 12 pm at 3241 Central Avenue. To place an order for a BBQ ham, cooked by the award winning Kiwanis BBQ Team, contact Mason DeJarnett at 270-832-1022, e-mail mason.dejarnett@fabickcat.com or visit www.paducahkiwanis.com.



Ron Smithfield and Al Porell

Snap Shots!



Ron Smithfield, Sue Fleschner, & Leigh Chagnon



Past Governor Wayne Sullivan



Past Governor Chuck Fletcher and Governor-Elect Dale Hawkins taking a break.

Thank You

THE FOLLOWING LETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM LINDA AFTER THE MID-YEAR CONFERENCE

TO ALL KIWANIANS WHO ATTENDED THE MID-YEAR GENERAL SESSION:

A special thank you to Rhonda Vrell who made and called for a special donation to the First Lady Project. She asked everyone who was in attendance to donate as the hat was passed. Fran handed me a small slip of paper with the amount that was given. I will keep it forever. In less than 20 minutes the wonderful group of KT Kiwanians had donated \$800.00. I was humbled beyond belief and my eyes were filled with tears of happiness and joy because of their generosity. Whenever I have a bad day, I will look at that little slip of paper and remember what a good day that was.

It's about the kids of the KT District. That's what Kiwanis is all about and that's what we need to remember.

My heartfelt thanks,

Linda

HELP FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE FIRES

David Coulter
Aktion Club Administrator

The Northview Key Club with school staff members who purchased a shirt which was designed by three Senior Key Club Members and that was sold on line. Through the sale of the shirts, they raised funds for the *Friends of The Smoky Mountain* and donated approximately \$3000.00 for the victims of the recent Smokey Mountain wildfires.



A KEY CLUB WEEK CELEBRATION

Correy Eimer

Kiwanis Club of Williamstown, Kentucky

Under the auspices of the Williamstown Kiwanis Club, the Key Club and Builders Club at Williamstown Independent Schools, in Williamstown, Kentucky have been working diligently to make a definite impact by serving their local community in a variety of ways. Mr. Michael Percy, a mathematics teacher at Williamstown Jr. High School, has assumed a leadership role with these community-minded high school and junior high school students, and his support is very much appreciated. Together, between the Key Club and Builders club, there are 28 student members who are exemplifying what it means to practice leadership through service to others.

“These clubs have been very active and enthusiastic, and we’re proud of the work they’re doing for our community”, stated Jim Thomas, Williamstown Kiwanis’ President. Over the past few months alone, the Key Club and Builders Club have accomplished a number of worthwhile projects. During “*Key Club Week*” at school, student members encouraged the entire student body to celebrate by dressing up for “*Crazy Sock Day*”, “*Elegant Day*” and “*Y’all Day* (country theme).” Additionally, during the week, a group of students visited Grant Manor on three separate evenings. Grant Manor is a local senior citizen residential center. The students talked and did crafts with the residents. In October, they raised \$215 for “*Trick or Treat for UNICEF.*” In December, they collected 22 different hats, scarves, and gloves for classmates in need, and they decorated ornaments for all of the kindergartners of Williamstown Elementary School. Finally, in February, they made rag dog toys for the Grant County Animal Shelter.

The city of Williamstown and surrounding Grant County is fortunate to have this dedicated group of young adults working hard for the betterment of the community. The future is bright for the next generation of Kiwanians! ✧

CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL KEY CLUB

CANOE RACES AND RONALD McDONALD

Steve Hartman

Kiwanis Club of Oak Ridge, Tennessee

The day after preparing a meal for the Ronald McDonald residents in Knoxville, Clinton High School Key Club members battled in “Canoe Wars” on February 15 as a Fund Raiser for Charitable Projects. The “Canoe Wars” occurred in the Clinton, TN Recreational Swimming Pool and was arranged by Key Club Faculty Advisor, Mr. Riley Sain. Team members registered for a fee. The object was to sink an opposing team's canoe by dumping water into the canoe. The Clinton Key Club is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Oak Ridge ✧



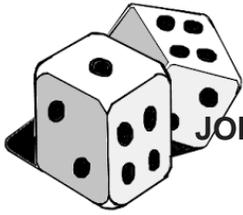
IHOP PANCAKE DAY

C. David Elliott
Partnership Chair

Participating IHOP Restaurants had their signs and donation boxes out for National Pancake Day which was March 7. Every Kiwanis club in the KT Kiwanis District was encouraged to sign up to participate by being a host as part of Children's Miracle Network on Pancake Day. In this picture, you see KT Partnership Chair, C. David from the Hilldale Kiwanis Club and the Clarksville IHOP manager, Rob Armstrong, at the Madison St Restaurant. Mark Price and Karen Hunter-Lowery presented a program on Children's Miracle Network and gave a tour of Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt.



The Oak Ridge, Tennessee Kiwanis Club also contributed to the Children's Miracle Network by participating in the IHOP Pancake Day. The Smokey Mountain Aktion Club seen in the accompanying picture did their part to support this worthy project. Past Governor Terrell Horn of the Oak Ridge Club is seen in this picture with the IHOP store manager in Oak Ridge.



JOIN LEXINGTON KIWANIS FOR KASINO NIGHT

Deanna Dillinder

Kiwanis Club of Lexington, Kentucky

It is with great pleasure that the Kiwanis Club of Lexington announces the ***Kiwanis 4 Kids - Kasino Night*** on Friday, April 21 at the CastlePost from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. This is an upbeat event with drinks, appetizers, entertainment, a silent auction and casino games with prizes. It is a fun night for all who wish to join and/or support us. This event is being limited to 150 attendees so that we can provide a unique experience for each of our guests. The event's Platinum Sponsor is LexAir. Funds raised at this event will be used to support a number of Lexington Kiwanis programs for kids such as scholarships, immunization and health care and many others. It is sure to be a great time for all who attend! Sponsorship, donation, and ticket information is available at www.lexingtonkiwanis.com. Tickets if purchased by March 31, are \$100. Tickets bought at the door are \$125. For more information, contact Deanna Dillinder, our event planner, at deanna.dillender@gmail.com or 859-576-3406.

GROWING CLUBS TO GROW PROJECTS

Russ Morrison, Secretary

Kiwanis Club of Winchester, Kentucky

The Kiwanis Club of Winchester is adding new members and through our growing membership we find ourselves able to double our impact for non-profits serving the youth of Clark County through the *Good Giving Program*. President Chris Lemaster is seen presenting a check to one of those recipients, Debbie Fatkin of Community Services.

The most recent new members joining our Kiwanis club after our *Meet and Sweet* membership event and seen in this picture are Jim Woodrum, Greg Yates, and Kevin Vincent. Also seen in the picture is Mike Rowady, a 67 year Kiwanian, who is 98 years young and still going strong. Mike conducted the induction ceremony.



MARYVILLE LOVES LITERACY

Pete Davis

Kiwanis Club of Maryville, Tennessee

The Kiwanis Club of Maryville continues to support Tennessee Governor Bill Haslam's *Books from Birth Foundation* and the *#LoveLiteracyLearn Campaign*. At the February 14 meeting the members showed that support, bringing their favorite book or books presented to area children. They hope to encourage the children to read more, love doing it and thus learn more.



QUICKEST MEMBERSHIP I HAVE EXPERIENCED

Bruce Damrow

Lieutenant Governor, Division 5

Prior to my visit to the Sevierville Kiwanis Club I received a **Prospect Membership Interest Information** form from Kiwanis International indicating that a person in the Sevierville area had expressed interest in the possibility of joining a Kiwanis club. I was visiting the Sevierville club that day so I invited her to the meeting as my guest. When she arrived we discussed the merits of Kiwanis and in less than ten minutes she had filled out her application. I had also received an email from our District Membership Chair telling me of her request to visit a club. The system works. When we receive this notification we just need to use it my fellow Kiwanians! By responding to the information on that **Prospect Membership Interest Information**, in less than ten minutes another member had been added to the KT Kiwanis District membership roster.



SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS IN BOWLING GREEN

Delaire Rowe

Kiwanis Club of Bowling Green, Kentucky



The Kiwanis Club of Bowling Green currently may have more Service Leadership Programs (SLP) clubs than it has ever had. Since becoming a Kiwanis member it has taken time to learn the many ways that the Kiwanis club serves our community and as I have learned more about our club, I have become more and more proud to be part of this organization. The Bowling Green Kiwanis Club is a very active and engaged organization in the life of our community. Listed below are current examples of the Bowling Green Kiwanis Club's commitment to the development of service minded individuals from an early age and into adulthood.

Danette Idelett, Bowling Green Kiwanis Club President and Briarwood Elementary School K-Kids Club advisor said, "Our SLP clubs have been extremely involved throughout our community and have creatively found ways to serve all those in need. They are distinguished in every way, by their strong character and selflessness!"

K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K and Aktion Club members each work to create and implement their own service projects.

The K-Kids Club at Briarwood Elementary currently has 90 members who meet in the morning before classes begin. Their service projects include the Super Bowl Soup Drive that raises funds for their Family Resource Center, collecting coats for the Jr. Women's Club, collecting shoes, and collecting children's books that are sent to fathers serving in the military to read to their kids back home. Students participating are learning leadership skills that will benefit them and their communities for a lifetime.

The Drakes Creek Middle School Builders Club service projects include a dinner at the Salvation Army where they prepare and serve the food. They help in fundraising for the Houchens Center for Women, helping to preserve an historical house and Bowling Green landmark that also serves as a community center for our citizens. Students have also written letters to soldiers overseas in appreciation for their service to our country. Participation in these projects helps students become effective communicators and problem-solvers. *Continued on page 19*

SERVICE LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS IN BOWLING GREEN

Delaire Rowe

The Key Club at Greenwood High School has created a partnership with Briarwood Elementary in a writing project. Elementary students wrote letters to Santa, and the Elves (Greenwood High School Students) responded, a fun way to develop writing skills that also interfaces with the classroom curriculum. The Greenwood Key Club also conducts a book drive collecting children's books for elementary students to have as their own. Projects like these help students develop leadership skills that will benefit them in their transition to college and careers.

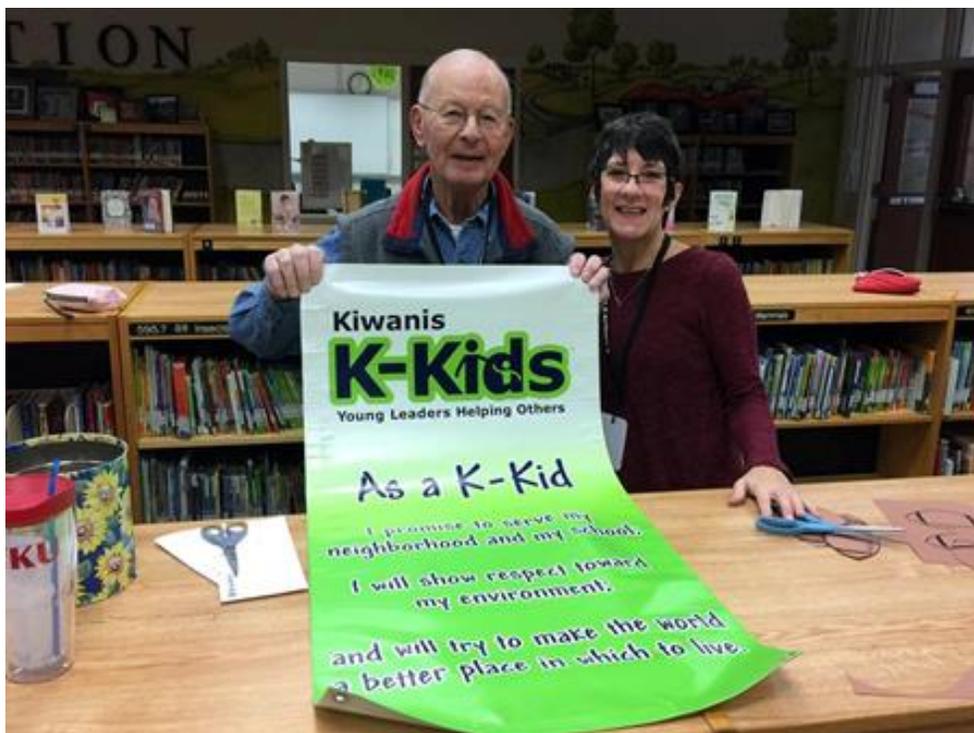
The Key Club at South Warren High School is an active group hosting a Dodge Ball fundraiser. Funds will help offset expenses for students who want to attend the Key Club District Convention this year. In fact, past Division 14 lieutenant governor, Kiwanian Ron Cummings is advisor for this club. Key Clubbers from South Warren are also committed to volunteering at Bowling Green Kiwanis annual events like the Soap Box Derby and Thunderfest. Ron Cummings praised them saying, "They are a great bunch of kids making a difference in their school and community."

Circle K students at Western Kentucky University conduct a clothing drive for Potter Children's Home that provides comprehensive services to children and families in need. Circle K students represent the next generation of community leaders.

The Aktion Club is a service club for adults with disabilities that meets at Bowling Green Parks and Recreation and is our newest SLP club. Their first service project was a bake sale to raise money for club tee-shirts. Aktion Club members have attended regular Kiwanis meetings and enthusiastically contribute to the community.

Bowling Green Kiwanis Club is thrilled to join other clubs in the KT District that are doing remarkable things. We are proud of the impact to the community that has resulted from our support of these young people and young Aktion Club adults. We are proud to be a part of the SLP movement in the Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District.

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CLUB CLINIC

Fran Marion

KY-TN Kiwanis District Secretary-Treasurer

What is the Kiwanis I-PLAN (What are the four parts of the plan?)?

INSPIRATION (Membership & Engagement)

Goal: To build, retain and support a growing Kiwanis membership network

IMPACT (Meaningful Service)

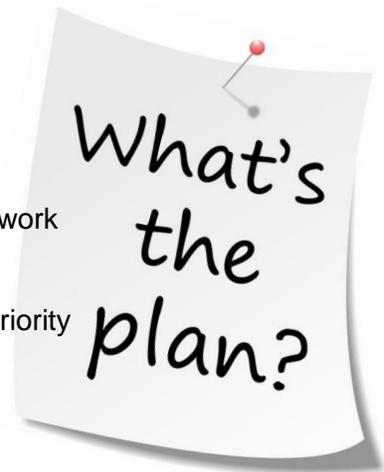
Goal: To perform meaningful service, with service to children as our priority

IMAGE (Our Kiwanis Image)

Goal: To enhance the Kiwanis image worldwide

INVESTMENT (Financial Viability)

Goal: To ensure financial viability and responsible stewardship



INTER-CLUB SYNERGY

By Alcide (Al) Porell, K-T District Interclub Chairman

Syn-er-gy /'sinərdʒi/

"The interaction or cooperation of two or more organizations or other agents to produce a combined effect greater than the sum of their separate effects."

Is your club bogged down with ho-hum projects, dull meetings, lack of fresh ideas?

It's time for you to visit other Kiwanis International family of clubs (Tradition clubs, 3, 2, 1 clubs, Golden-K clubs, Young Professional clubs, Aktion club, and K-Kids, Builders, Key and Circle clubs). Why? Because, inter-clubbing provides a unique opportunity to experience new fellowship, friendship, leadership, and exposure to services provided by other Kiwanis International family of clubs. Participation in interclub activities will energize you with new and different club meeting formats, exciting signature projects, fresh ideas, and sharing the great works being performed by your Kiwanis International family of clubs and partners while sharing your project activities in serving the children of the world.

Additionally, inter-clubbing is an excellent way to get to know members of your own club. Carpooling with your members, to and from the club(s) being visited, allows for personal conversations with members you may know very little about by simply attending your club's regular meetings. This is especially true if new club members are encouraged to participate in interclub activities. Inter-clubbing also reinforces the idea that Kiwanis is an international organization by which "**We Serve the Children of the World**" by synergistically working together cooperatively towards achieving our goal.

Club Officers and Directors, please consider committing your club to participate in the District's 2016-17 Inter-Club Award program. Guidelines for this award can be found in the 2016-17 K-T District Directory on pages 40 to 43. The Directory can be downloaded from the K-T District website www.ktkiwanian.org. ✧

A MESSAGE FOR SLP ADVISORS

KT SLP Administrators

The coming of spring is the time we plant seeds for the future. It is also a great time to sow the seeds of your Kiwanis Service Leadership Clubs for the 2017/18 year.

Between the middle of March and the middle of April Kiwanis Clubs that plan on starting a K-Kids Club, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K Club or Aktion Club should be able to find times to meet with principals and agency directors, before they are distracted by end of year testing, summer activity planning, graduations, banquets, and other similar activities. By sowing SLP seeds now, your Kiwanis club can better plan for advisors and budgets, plus getting the full attention of your possible SLP location.

Kiwanians can also reach out to the school's PTA/PTO and inform them about our Service Leadership Programs, our *Bringing UP Grades* and our *Terrific Kids* reward programs. While some Elementary Schools may not feel they are ready for a full- fledged service club, getting your foot in the door could lead to a new SLP in the coming years. Your club can discover new service that you can be involved in at the school or agency. Consider school fairs, field days, back to school nights, and others. Who knows, you may even cultivate some new Kiwanians!

Another way to promote adding current SLP members to your existing SLPs is to welcome your existing K-Kids into your Builder's Club at an end of the year pizza party. The same can be done with Builders Club members going on to a Key Club. And you can plan a welcome event for former Key Clubbers that are attending your local Colleges and University's -- they may be the foundation for a new or existing Circle K club.

Aktion clubs are busy all year round. You can have a person from a local ARC, housing group, or day camp for adults with disabilities in to speak. And if you just happen to have some Aktion club folders lying around or a visitor from an existing Aktion Club in your area -- all the better. Kiwanis Clubs can look to the State Department of Intellectual Development for Disabilities (DIDD) web site which will identify agencies that would consider sponsoring Aktion clubs.

FREE tri-folds for all SLPs can be ordered from the Kiwanis Store at www.kiwanisone.org, or by calling Member Services at 1-800-KIWANIS. Have a couple of members do this to stock up materials for use when approaching schools and other agencies to promote SLPs. Your KT SLP Administrators are also just a phone call or email away and are ready to help you in plans to approach possible locations for new clubs. Feel free to reach out to any of us-- all of our contact information can be found in the 2016-2017 KT Kiwanis District Directory.

Edye Bryant
K-Kids

Audrey Jones
Builders Club

Steve Phillips
Key Club

Sue Fleschner
Circle K

Dave Coulter
Aktion Clubs



K-KIDS REPORT
Edye Bryant
KT K-Kids Administrator

It is hard to believe it is already March, and with the mild (so far) winter, schools around the Kentucky Tennessee District will be getting out in about two months.

While Kiwanis Kids has changed many of their contests so that they are monthly events (the speech contest is accepting entries through March 10th), many of the annual awards still have for an April deadline.

For the main April contest your K-Kids club is to submit a video of how one of their projects has impacted their community. Entries will be accepted April 3rd-14th, and entry information can be found at http://kiwaniskids.org/en/KKids/Contests/Contest_information_2016.aspx -- this link will take you to the full contest page.

April also means it is time for your K-Kids to review their year of service and enter their "Club Achievement Report" to Kiwanis International. This simple "Yes or No" form can be filled out and submitted online by your K-Kids club. The entry deadline is April 1st, which is a Saturday, and may fall at the beginning or end of your spring break. You can enter at http://kiwaniskids.org/en/KKids/Resources/Club_tools/Club_reports_and_forms/Annual_Achievement_Report.aspx

April 1st is also the deadline for K-Kids Scrapbook Entries and the K-Kids Leadership Award.

Scrapbooks can be submitted in one of two ways. First, there is an online scrapbook option that clubs can create by going to <http://www.cliptomize.com/>. These entries are to be submitted to Lisa Pyron at lpyron@kiwanis.org. Handmade scrapbooks also have to be mailed to Lisa by April 1st at:

K-Kids Scrapbook Contest
Kiwanis International
3636 Woodview Trace
Indianapolis, IN 46268

The K-Kids contest page will give your group the topics, format, and the photo release form for your students. If you are mailing the scrapbook to Kentucky International (KI), please allow at least four to five days for it to arrive.

Your K-Kids advisor or Kiwanis club advisor can nominate a K-Kids student. This nomination is similar to what you would write for a recommendation letter for scholarships. These are to be mailed to me by April 1st (allow three to four days for mail to arrive). I will review all of our KT Entries, and send the winner on to KI. The District Winner will receive a \$100 gift card and a medallion.

Edye Bryant
KT K-Kids Administrator
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Lexington, KY 40517



January 5, 2017 through March 5, 2017

Hello New Members!

Alcoa	Lucille Thares	Glasgow	Angela Ryherd-Brown Matthew Compton Russell Yonker	Nashville	Jonathan Bartlett Gerald Brown Edward Burch J.C. Crawford Jennifer Galligan Judy Lefkovitz Ashley Linville Karen Mathews Kacy Pendergrass Stephen Parsons Carl Sabo Corissa Wiest
Blue Grass	Peter Gerdom	Greater Martin County	Norma McCormick Morgan Pemberton		
Bowling Green	Thomas Birkenhauer Bryan Buchanan Lisa Clary Maegan Hance Shannon Miller John Rogers	Hilldale, Clarksville	Brenda Maupin		
Brainerd, Chattanooga	Amy Davis	Hixson	James Ducros		
Chattanooga	Peter Yakimowich	Hopkinsville	Amy Craig Dustin Thompson	Newport	Jackie Ownby
Cheatham County	James Baugh Dina Ann Henninger Janet Knight	Jonesborough	Justin Spina Aloysius Van Staveren Michelle Stewart	Norwood, Knoxville	William Chagnon Andrew Deel
Cleveland	Dennis Botts Mike Smith	Lawrenceburg, KY	LaSaundra Cobb	Owensboro	Misty Mitchell
Columbia	Seth Campbell Christine Penner Mt. Pleasant Middle School	Lexington	Josh Ehringer Melissa Martinson Cindy McDonald Andrew Newman Monica Tribble	Paducah	Michelle Smolen
Corbin	Michael Addison			Paris	Winnie Fourre
Cynthiana	Cody Liggett	Madisonville, KY	Raymond Hagerman Don Majors Melanie Tapp	Putnam County	William Hallcomb
East Greenup County	Jessica Norris			Rogersville	Ashley Lawson
Elizabethton	Mitchell Broyles	Manchester	Edgar Driver Terenc Hillsman Patricia Pinegar	Russellville- Logan	Kim Owen Nancy Skipworth
Erwin	Rachel York			Salyersville	Kathy Elam Borders Deborah Griesinger Kila Keeton
Fayetteville	Debra Smith Sara Spray	Maryville	Randall Ford Danielle Kenndy Derrick Oster Mike Winstead	Tellico Plains	Patrick Hawkins
Fort Oglethorpe	Rebecca Snellman			Tellico Village, Loudon	Robert Dolson
Frankfort	Dana Gardner	Mayfield	Sonny Dougherty Jesse Schreiner	Winchester	Ruth Patton Kevin Vincent James Woodrum
Franklin County, TN	Angie Johnson Crystal Perry Will Rabb Tara Scott Michael Thomas Alton Tipps	Mount Sterling	Ryan McCoy		

Snapshots!



Happy Birthday Harriet!



Snapshots!

