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THE ELIMINATE PROJECT UPDATE

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West Point Club Chartered

The Kiwanis Club of West Point held their Charter Night on Tuesday, January 9th. Immediate Past Governor Carol Wisdom presented them with their Charter. Pictured above are the members that were present for the event.

The Georgia District Proudly Nominates
Katrina for International Trustee

Katrina Baranko brings a great deal of Kiwanis experience from her 24 years as a Kiwanian. She owns her own business and understands dollars and budgets. Her unique sense of seeing both sides of an issue will be just what the Kiwanis International Board needs. She is a proven leader.

~NOTICES~

As per the provisions of Article IV, Section 8 of the Georgia District of Kiwanis International, the minutes of the 2017-18 Board of Trustees Meetings held on Friday, November 10, 2017, in Macon, Georgia, are available for review from your appropriate Lt. Governor or from the District Office.

The next scheduled meeting for the 2017-18 Board of Trustees of the Georgia District of Kiwanis International will be held in Macon, Georgia at Macon Comfort Suites, located at 120 Plantation Inn Drive on Friday, March 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Finish the Fight. Fulfill your Pledge!

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I had the once in a life time opportunity to work with our International President, Jim Rochford, on a new club development in Johns Creek the first week in December. He is such an inspiration and no one is working harder on opening clubs and strengthening existing clubs than Jim. We all can learn from his leadership and need to work to help meet his goal of opening 409 clubs during the 2017-18 year. When we met on Sunday night for the initial discussion of our plans for Johns Creek, 66 new clubs had been opened since the first of October – 38 of those are in the U.S. Eighteen of the 30 Districts in North America have already opened clubs. Jim gave us what he refers to as his three step approach to closing the sale - this works for existing clubs too.

1. Build the Rapport – ask questions that will help you get to know the person and to pick up on any possible objections.
2. The Elevator Speech – Have you heard of Kiwanis? About 50 % will respond that they have and then ask if they have heard of Key Club – now about 60% will respond that they have. You then need to tell them about opening a club in their community – or being a part of your existing club.
3. Give them the application – for a new club talk about ways they can interact in their community and for an existing club, tell them about your community projects, about some of the things your club does for the kids in your community and then invite them join or to be your guest for your next meeting.

Folks that are not Kiwanis members are generally people that no one has ever asked to join. At the end of my home club’s annual pancake day back in November, the coffee vendor came to pick up his equipment. He indicated he had been providing for our event for about ten years. I ask him why he wasn’t a member of Kiwanis yet and he responded that no one had ever invited him to join. Are we overlooking those individuals that would be great members – they are our partners in our community efforts already.

Well we hit the streets on Monday morning and we opened the club in Johns Creek in three days thanks to the help of President Rochford, Kendra Skidmore, the International Eye of The Tiger Chairman, along with your District Leadership team. We had help from immediate Past Governor Carol Wisdom, Governor Elect Debbie Brilling, Vice Governor Andy Pipkin, District Formula Chair (Dewey Smith) and our SE Area Formula Chair (Katrina Baranko) along with Past Lt. Governors for Division 8 (Wes Dorsey and Mike Sullivan) and two of that Division’s clubs that will be sponsoring this new club. As I am preparing this message to you, the Kiwanis Club of Johns Creek has already had their first club meeting.

I hope you will work on your elevator speech and be ready for the next opportunity to introduce someone to Kiwanis. It is not why someone joins Kiwanis but why they stay a part of our great organization. If you can get them to a meeting, get them involved in your projects and make them a part of the great things we do, they will truly become a Kiwanian for life.

The Kiwanis International Board will meet by teleconference in January 2018, following the writing of this article but preceding its publication. Our Board and accompanying committee meetings will be conducted by teleconference, at a significant savings for our organization.

Among other business, we will have several discussions relating to membership. The subject will include transitioning from The Formula, which expires at the end of this administrative year, to a long term membership campaign strategy; pro-rata dues and fees; and family membership. We will also evaluate the results of our recent advertising campaign in Cincinnati, Ohio, our second such effort there.

We will also take several actions with regard to our finances. We will review and, if appropriate, accept the 2016-17 Consolidated Audit Report for Kiwanis International, Circle K International, Kiwanis Youth Programs, and the Kiwanis Children’s Fund. We will approve our auditors for 2017-18 fiscal year. We will review our current investment report and conduct our annual review of our investment policy. We will also review preliminary assumptions regarding our 2018-19 budget and discuss the process by which that budget will be written.

We will also receive an update on our upcoming convention in Las Vegas and discuss possible sites for our 2022 international convention, which is the next one we need to schedule. We will also continue our ongoing discussion of ways to increase convention attendance.

Last, but certainly not least, kudos to Governor Juanita and your entire district Formula team on the formation of your new club in John’s Creek, in which you were ably assisted by International President Jim Rockford and Eye of the Tiger Chair Kendra Skidmore. There are few prouder moments in our organization than when we extend the reach of Kiwanis service to new communities. It is truly the gift that keeps on giving.

The Year promises exciting times for the Georgia District as the District focuses on ways and means to promote projects to the less fortunate. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who rang the bell for the Salvation Army, delivered meals, stuffed stocking, collected toys, and gathered can goods.

Mid-Year Conference
Our Mid-Year Conference is Saturday, March 3rd and will be held at the Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia. If you have not already registered; please see the registration form in this issue. You may also register and pay online by going to our District Website: HYPERLINK “http://www.gadistrictkiwanis.org” www.gadistrictkiwanis.org.

Distinguished
Those who earned Distinguished status worked long and hard to maintain that can-do attitude in their clubs. Now their successors have a solid base upon which to work. Distinguished Pins and banner patches for the 2016-17 year will be given to the Lt. Governors at their Board Meeting being held on Friday, March 2nd.

Have You Put The Following Dates On Your Calendar?
• Division Rally – Contact your Lt. Governor if you don’t have the date.
• February 15th – tax deadline for clubs.
• February 23rd = 25th – Key Club and Circle K Joint District Conventions, Macon, GA
• March 23rd = 25th – Key Leader, Covington, GA
• April 28th = District Talent and Art Contest – Albany, GA – Lee County High School
• Club Election – This report is due June 1st. This must be done online.
• June 28th = July 1st – International Convention – Las Vegas, NV
• August 17th = 19th – Georgia District Convention – Jekyll Island, GA

Just a reminder:
Send International any membership changes promptly. You can update your roster online. Submit your Monthly Reports by the 10th of each month online. If your club has pictures of your current events taking place; please send these with a caption to the District Office in Macon for the Georgia Kiwanian. Pictures and articles must be sent in electronically – please send pictures as an attachment in .jpg format.

New Member Fees – All prorated enrollment fees go to Kiwanis International.

Kids Need Kiwanis

Kids are curious, lovable and hilarious. They are also wild, impatient and vulnerable. Kiwanis is looking for kids in every corner of the globe with over 600,000 volunteers who serve their communities through local clubs. We are generous with our time. We are creative with our ideas. We are passionate about making a difference. And we have fun along the way!

In Memoriam

William O. Boyd
Washington

William Fountain
Peachtree City

Lorna B. Karrh
Saint Marys

John B. Karrh
Statesboro

Sidney L. Moore, Jr.
Macon County

Edward C. Whittle
Brunswick

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If you have an event you would like to share, please send a picture and caption to alexia@kiwanis.mgacoxmail.com for the next publication.

GEORGIA KIWANIAN AD RATES

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We print 10 issues a year. The November-December Issue is combined and we do not print a January Issue. The issue we print in January is our February Issue.

All items must be in the District Office by the first of the month. If you are planning a fund-raiser for your club, please send in your information three months prior to the event, so people can plan to attend your event.

Georgia District Office of Kiwanis, P.O. Box 6618, Macon, GA 31208 or email it to: alexia@gakiwani.org

Membership Growth

Membership Growth as of November 30th

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Kiwanis - Serving the Children of Georgia and the World

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FEBRUARY 2018

The Georgia Kiwanian

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For nearly 30 years, Georgia District Key Club has partnered with the Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Homes: a foundation whose job is to provide love, shelter, and opportunity for the abused, neglected, and forgotten children of Georgia. In this timespan, we embarked on projects to build chapel, education centers, and more to better the lives of the campus residents. Our current project is called the “Foundation for Education” - building an education center on the Mountainview Campus in Chatsworth, GA. Key Club has raised $100,000 of our $120,000 goal. As a District, we have set out to completely reach this $120,000 goal by the Key Club District Convention held in Macon in February 2018 - only 2 short months away!

It’s no secret that Kiwanis is a huge contributor to Key Club’s fundraising initiatives. We are asking for YOUR club’s help, so we will be able to pay off the Education Center by our District Convention, which begins on February 23. To recognize Kiwanis Clubs who go above and beyond in support of the Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Homes, Key Club has instituted a sponsorship recognition system for each Kiwanis Club who makes a donation to the Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Homes greater than or equal to $250. Those who become a GSYH sponsor are recognized on the following levels:

- **BRONZE**: $250
- **SILVER**: $500
- **GOLD**: $750
- **PLATINUM**: $1000

Each sponsor will receive recognition by level on the Georgia Key Club Website, in the District Convention program, and on the back of a GSYH t-shirt! Simply make your donation through mail or online, and your club will automatically become a sponsor of the Foundation for Education Project!

The deadline to receive sponsor recognition is post-marked donations by February 1, 2018.

If you would like more information or have any questions about our project, how to fundraise, where to send funds, or about Key Club’s involvement in general, please do not hesitate to contact me, or visit our website, www.gakeyclub.org/gsyh!

Thank you, and Happy Fundraising!
I hope everyone had a terrific holiday season. Remember, this is the time to push hard on completing your SIGNATURE PROJECT for 2018. The deadline for the project is March 2, 2018. Each club will have to submit online a submission form for your club’s SIGNATURE PROJECT. The rules for the contest are online.

- Go to Kiwanis.org
- Click on Membership Resources
- Click on Signature Projects “Resources”
- Click on Signature Projects
- Click on Signature Project Contest

This online procedure will give everyone all the information they need to enter your club into the competition, and also the rules to follow from KI for the contest.

The SIGNATURE PROJECT for your club can be an existing project, or if you want to start a new project you can. Remember, to follow the rules provided from KI. If you need any help contact me or your Lt. Governor within your division.

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Community Service Projects

Classic City Kiwanis

The Classic City Kiwanis Club “Pancake Supper” Proceeds benefit Athens Youth Special Olympics, The Clute Nelson Barrow Life Foundation, and a Clarke Central High School Scholarship.

Swainsboro Kiwanis Times

5K/10K Run in Sylvania

L to R: Gary Couse; Sarah Fraticelle; Tim Goodman; Dess Smith III; Santa; President Jim Clapham; Cheryl Goodman; Mary Ellen Smith.

Six members of the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club traveled 50 miles to Sylvania to time the “Run, Run, Rudolph 5K/10K Run”. The Run’s had a great turn out. Our Kiwanis Club has been timing running events for several years in communities surrounding Emanuel County. When we assist these run’s, we bring all the tools and equipment that is needed to do a professional job. This includes: male and female finish board, finish cards filled out by individual runners, tall large digital clock, three hand held digital timers with printed tapes, start/finish sign, chains and stands for finish shoots and a great “cheerleading” section. If you would like for our Club to time your 5K or 10K event, please contact our event Chair Tim Goodman at 478.494.4741 or email at goodman@aga.edu.

The Classic City Kiwanis Club “Pancake Supper” Proceeds benefit Athens Youth Special Olympics, The Clute Nelson Barrow Life Foundation, and a Clarke Central High School Scholarship.

Kiwanian Helps Santa with Bicycles

The Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro traveled to the Swainsboro Pre-K on Thursday afternoon, December 14, 2017 for its Annual Christmas Bicycle Project at 5:00. This year the Kiwanis Club was able to help Santa deliver 37 bicycles to some lucky children from ages 3 to 13. Those Kiwanians in attendance were: Wanda Ellis; Travis Garrett; Dess Smith III; Deana Patrick; Ginny Smith; Frank Patrick; and Gary Couse. This year the grandson of Ginny and Dess Smith III, Wessyn Willoughby, was able to help Santa pass out the bicycles.

Kiwanis of North Macon

The Kiwanis Club of North Macon purchased 60 blankets for the Daybreak Ministry to give to the homeless.

Kids Need Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club of Cordele

The Kiwanis Club of Cordele the parents of Mathew Dickerson held their annual Mathew Dickerson Memorial Christmas party that we host for people with mental disabilities. We have been be a part of the party by being Santa hosting the party for over ten years. Santa and Mrs. Clause are 100 people in attendance.

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Alexia and Bill Lieber (picted above) presented the blankets at the center.

Kids Need Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club of Douglas County

The Kiwanis Club of Douglas County participated in the club Day of Service by contributing four pallets of school supplies to various locations throughout the county. Supplies were sorted into age appropriate categories and distributed to schools and organizations who provide supplies for needy youth. The above photo shows supplies delivered to Bright Star United Methodist Church who sponsors the backpack program for students at Bill Arp Elementary School who need help with food and school supplies.

Part of the 37 bicycles

(L to R): Wanda Ellis; Travis Garrett; Dess Smith III; Deana Patrick; “Santa”; Ginny Smith; Frank Patrick; Gary Couse; and Santa’s helper Wessyn Willoughby.

Kiwanis - Serving the Children of Georgia and the World
Christmas Bike Drive

The Metter High School Kiwanis Key Club and the Metter Kiwanis Club coordinated a Christmas Bike Drive for students in Candler County. The project was well supported by members of Kiwanis and local businesses along with other individuals in the surrounding communities. Students were nominated by the teachers at Metter Elementary School based on good behavior and students’ names were placed in a box for a chance to win a brand-new bicycle.

Fourteen bikes were given away at the Metter Elementary School Christmas program by the Key Club Members. In addition, Mrs. Lisa Rigdon, Director of the Candler County Boys & Girls Club was awarded bicycles to be used after school in the Enrichment Class.

The club is located near the Metter Candler Recreation Department which offers nature trails which will be a valuable asset for the boys and girls.

Lastly, Mrs. Roberta Graham, Director of Communities in Schools was awarded bikes that were given to ten children that participate in the CIS programs at Metter Elementary School, Metter Middle School and Metter High School.

The Kiwanis Club would like to thank the following businesses and individuals for donating approximately $2,500.00 for the purchase of bicycles for children in Candler County. Members of the Metter Kiwanis Club, The Key Club Members: Gabby Grantham; Mattie Spivey; Rachel Deal; Rheanna Lanier; Payton Crooms; Brendan Wood; Anna Motes; Ellen Hendrix; Kristen Crooms; Laney Tootle; Leah Rigdon; Abby Hadden; Emily Branner; and a secret Santa. Metter Bank; Clean by Lucy; Church of God; B&W Salvage; Chuck Clark, the Little Red Wagon; Candler Tattnal Saddle Club; Stillmore Poultry; Hay Ya’ll Farms; Integrity HVAC Mechanical LLC; Hendrix Produce; Hulsey, Tootle & Harrison, LLP; Sea Island Bank; McCannie Farms; Statesboro Appliance Center; H&K Block; D&S Electric; Stitch n’ Print; Candler County Sheriff’s Dept.; B&M Pools; Tommy’s Pawn City; Growers’ Supply; Beverly Corner; Alan & Lisa Thigpen; Janna Bryant; and Debra Stanford. Thank you on behalf of Kiwanis!

Christmas Parade in Covington

The Covington float represents the Twelve Days of Christmas

K-Bears for Christmas Kids

Mrs. Julie Macomber Vickers and staff of Coffee County Department of Family and Children Services.

Mrs. Julie Macomber Vickers, President of the Douglas County Kiwanis Club delivered 75 Teddy Bears on behalf of the Douglas County Kiwanis Club for the K-Bears for Christmas Kids Project to Coffee County Family and Children Services on Thursday, December 21, 2017. These bears will go to foster children in Coffee and Atkin sons counties for Christmas.

The Kiwanis Club of Douglas County held their 21st Annual Kids Christmas Special on Thursday before Christmas Holidays at Walmart in Douglasville. One hundred twenty-one students were selected by elementary school personnel as those in need of assistance.

Students were transported by bus from school to Walmart to shop with local law enforcement, firemen, military, city and county officials and Kiwanians. Each child had the opportunity to visit with Santa, receive a sausage and biscuit with a drink and do various table activities until their turn to shop.

Each student was allotted $100.00 (give or take) to spend on Christmas for their immediate family and themselves. NO parents were allowed at the event. Students were not allowed to purchase weapons (real nor toy), no large items such as bikes nor wagons, no violent video games and no gift cards.

Kiwanis received the total bill for all items selected. Students did not get a receipt and all bar codes were blacked out for no return. All items were bagged and labeled for each student and loaded on the bus to return to school for parents to pick up. Everyone had a great time including kids and escort personnel.

Camp Sweet Life

The Kiwanis Club of Columbia County received $14,000.00 in donations for Camp Sweet Life, a Children’s Hospital of Georgia Camp for kids with diabetes.
Community Service Projects

Kiwanis Club of Forest Park Sponsored Youth

The Kiwanis Club of Forest Park is extremely fortunate to have two very active sponsored youth groups. Ms Almetta Wilson has the Forest Park Middle School Builders Club on fire and Mr Marvin Pue at Forest Park Senior High has the Key Club inspired. Together the Builders Club and Key Club worked to create a float for the Christmas Parade in Forest Park, GA right after Thanksgiving.

Ms Wilson’s Builder’s Club also work with the Atlanta Food Bank EVERY month to package bulk items into useful consumer packages they then distribute to recipients who come by the school. It is a major undertaking.

The Builders Club also planted seeds early in the school year and took the plants to a local Assisted Living Facility and presented plants to the folks. They also sang Christmas Carols celebrating the “reason for the season”.

As a final gesture of good will Ms Wilson’s Builders Club created nine Christmas baskets for some needy families. They bought Christmas presents for the children of two of the families.

The Kiwanis Club of Forest Park is very proud of all our sponsored youth.

Food packaging
Builders Club at local Assisted Living Facility

Ethan Starbird and Angel Jarvis Win 1st Place in 2018 Resolution Run 5K!

On the cold, crisp morning of January 1, 2018, runners descended upon the campus of East Georgia State College Swainsboro for the running of the 5th Annual Kiwanis Resolution Run 5K. Registration for the Run began at 7:30 a.m., with the official start at 9:00 a.m. It was a very cold 31º (wind chill 25º) - a break in the balmy weather this winter. The Run, sponsored by the Swainsboro Kiwanis Club, was held to raise money for the Kiwanis Club’s many community projects. This could be considered the year of the family with the five Running Cerpavics (Joelle, Anita, Karoline, Oskar, and Paul) and with three great grand master runners over 70 years of age.

The overall winner in the male division was Ethan Starbird from Richmond Hill, with a time of 19 minutes and 24 seconds. The male masters’ division winner was Brendan Vasher from Richmond Hill, with a time of 19 minutes and 59 seconds. The female masters’ winner was Melinda Andrews from Lyons, with a time of 32 minutes and 16 seconds.

Age group winners in the male division were: Age 10 - 19, 1st place Oskar Cerpavic; Age 30 - 39, 1st place John Torpy, and 2nd place Brendan Vasher; Age 40 - 49, 1st place John Coleman, and 2nd place Roscoe Parker; Age 50 - 59, 1st place Michael Littlefield, and 2nd place Kevin Faircloth; Age 60 - 69, 1st place Tom Lamb, and 2nd place John Claxton; and Age 70 and older, 1st place John Torpy, and 2nd place Bill Briggs.

Age group winners in the female division were: Age 10 - 19, 1st place Anita Cerpo; Age 30 - 39, 1st place Anita Cerpovic; Age 40 - 49, 1st place Jeff Andrews; Age 50 - 59, 1st place Michael Littlefield, and 2nd place Kevin Faircloth; 3rd place Paul Cerpovic; Age 60 - 69, 1st place Tom Lamb, and 2nd place Kevin Faircloth, and 3rd place Paul Cerpovic; 4th place Paul Cerpovic; Age 70 and older, 1st place John Torpy, and 2nd place Bill Briggs.

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The Metter Kiwanis Club has been working very diligently in the community the past year. As we close the 2017 chapter of the Metter Kiwanis Club, I feel it is important to highlight the hard work of our members. The members have worked very hard raising money to help support members of our community.

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Thank YOU for all of your hard work throughout the year on our many projects in Candler County. The Metter Kiwanis Club looks forward to working harder in 2018!
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In my last article, I gave you a little bit of history of the formation of the Georgia District Foundation. The Foundation exists to help support the clubs in the district as well as supporting our sponsored youth organizations (i.e. Key Club, Circle K, etc.). By pooling resources and managing them wisely, the foundation can fund efforts that may be beyond the scope of an individual club.

Now I want to discuss how the individual clubs support the foundation and how in turn the foundation gives back to the clubs. When your club gives its annual per member donations to the Georgia District Projects, $5 per member goes to the district foundation. The foundation then uses that money in many ways: Scholarships to Georgia Key Club and Circle K members, Scholarships to the Art and Music Showcase winners, Funding attendance for Key Club and Circle K Leadership Training at KI, Matching funding for individual club projects via the Foundation Grant Program, and other needs as they arise.

If you would like to learn more about the Georgia District Foundation, or have one of the foundation members visit your club, please contact any of the Board of Trustees listed here.

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For only $10 per raffle ticket, you have a chance to win this fabulous 1 bedroom, full kitchen, maximum 4 persons, weeklong stay. There is a game room, fitness center, Jacuzzi/hot tub, laundry facilities, sauna and swimming pool on site. There is also a free shuttle from the Resort to Harrah’s Casino on the Strip. So all you have to do is let the Metro Atlanta Kiwanis Club know how many raffle tickets your club wants and we will provide them to first come, first served. Our contact info is: Harriett Holley, hholley2@comcast.net or cell # 678-481-7462. The drawing will take place at the Mid-Winter Training in Macon but don’t wait until then to get your tickets. Good Luck!!

Mark Your Calendar!
Kiwanis Club of North Macon
Spaghetti Dinner
Friday – March 9, 2018
Mulberry United Methodist Church
719 Mulberry Street – Macon

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Carry Out Available
Cost $8.00 per person

Georgian District Kiwanis
2018 Art & Music Showcase
Lee County High School
1 Trojan Way
Leesburg, GA 31763

June 28 - July 1, 2018
Las Vegas, Nevada

FREE and Open to the Public

ART CONTEST
Public Viewing
12:00 noon—1:30 pm

Music Contest
3:00 pm—5:00 pm

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Division 5 of the Georgia District of Kiwanis
The Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro held its weekly meeting, Tuesday night, December 12, 2017. Chief Ellison gave us information about the local “Shop with a Cop” program in which local law enforcement officers take 25-30 local children for a Christmas shopping trip to Walmart.

The program, started in 2015, is funded by a grant. The children are chosen from names submitted by the parents and local DFACS.

The children, with the assistance of an officer, are given $100 to spend on their Christmas presents. Most of the children are between the ages of 3 and 12 and they enjoy a convoy from the police station and a pizza party at Walmart before shopping.

Chief Ellison also updated us on the $250,000 COP Grant to expand the number of police officers in Swainsboro and the work of the Crime Suppression Unit carrying out the recent substantial marijuana seizure. Councilman Stafford was very complimentary about our local police force and all the work they have been doing and how quickly they respond to requests from the local community.

Other Committee Reports

Roy Long
Partnership Coordinator
roy@longcops.com

January 5, 2018

During the fall training session on partners, I received several questions and concerns regarding Kiwanis International’s partnership with various entities which seemed to be soliciting and may be in conflict with Kiwanis International Bylaws. I took your concerns and comments to Elizabeth Warren who is my direct contact at Kiwanis International and she responded to each of our concerns.

First, Kiwanis International membership lists are not being sold. Kiwanis International manages the member databases and utilizes third party vendors to conduct mailing and solicitations to ensure Kiwanis International controls the data so as it is not released to vendors for solicitation purposes.

Member benefits are being developed in conjunction with member research and experienced professionals are behind the building of all non-dues based revenue programs. Any offerings from any of our partners are strictly optional and not a requirement of membership of Kiwanis. It is at the discretion of each Kiwanian whether they wish to participate with any of the offerings from our partners, but since the inception of the program Kiwanis International has received over $875,000 in non-dues based revenue which in turn prolongs the period for which Kiwanis will be receiving a dues increase to cover overhead.

IHOP - Time is approaching for the annual National Pancake day for Children’s Miracle Network. It will be February 27, 2018 and you can register your club at http://www.kiwanis.org/clubs/member-resources/events/ihop-national-pancake-day. Please register your club as this will allow IHop and Children’s Miracle Network to determine the impact of our assistance with this event.

MARCH OF DIMES - Contact your local chapter of the March of Dimes and have them come to your club with a program and discuss how your club can assist with their upcoming events and fund raisers.

National Pancake Day

Kiwanis partner IHOP Restaurants will host IHOP National Pancake Day on Feb. 27, 2018, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., with some locations offering free Buttermilk short stacks until 10 p.m. Kiwanis club members are encouraged to volunteer to put purpose behind pancakes and help raise money for Children’s Miracle Network Hospitals.

“Every year, we ask our Kiwanis club members to support our partners - IHOP and CMN Hospitals - on IHOP National Pancake Day,” said 2017-18 Kiwanis International President Jim Rochford. “IHOP serves free pancakes and seeks donations to support the work at CMN hospitals and other local charities. We ask our Kiwanis club members to tell the CMNH story and accept donations for the hospitals.”

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

Funds raised in cities with CMN Hospitals stay in those cities to help kids in those communities. Even if your city is not home to CMN hospitals, donations stay in your city or town to help local children’s charities. And the volunteer opportunity is an opportunity to help kids everywhere get the care they need.

For more information, visit http://www.ihoppancakeday.com/, CMN or the Kiwanis website. Deadline to register is Feb. 20.

Social media posts for engaging Kiwanis club volunteers.

Facebook and Twitter. Put purpose behind pancakes on IHOP National Pancake Day and volunteer to work at your local IHOP restaurant on Feb. 27.

What’s 19 miles high and helps kids? All the pancakes given away on IHOP National Pancake Day! Find out how you can get involved.

For the Georgia Kiwanian, please visit our website:
www.gadistrictkiwanis.org

The Georgia District of Kiwanis

The Metter Kiwanis Club’s Kiwanian of the Year. Mattie Collins, Pres. Kathy Dixon, recipient, and Beth Upchurch, Secretary.
I continue to be thankful for the class instructors who present our training sessions. You cannot possibly know how your willingness, knowledge, leadership and energy at these events affect the lives of children and families throughout the GA District. So, to you who have volunteered and served faithfully through these conferences, THANK YOU, for what you do in the GA District and for our children!

The 2018 Mid-Year Training Conference is rapidly approaching as we have begun planning for March 3, 2018 at Wesleyan College in Macon. The General Session will start at 8:30 am followed by 3 class sessions before lunch.

We are looking at new classes and instructors that might peak your interest on more contemporary topics, so if you have a particular expertise and would like to instruct we still have time. Just let me know soon.

As always we will provide classes that will inform, challenge and encourage each of you and your club leadership. Basic classes, i.e. Kiwanis 103,104,105, The Formula, Youth Protection, SLP’s, Key Leader, Interclub, Partnership, Signature Projects, Arts & Music Showcase, Key Club and Circle K will be provided for new members and first time attendees. We will have the schedule available on the website in early February so you can make your class plans.

For the seasoned Kiwanian, don’t miss the opportunity to attend new classes and perhaps a few that you have missed over the years. We are making changes from one conference to another so look carefully at the classes and plan your time before you get there.

It’s always good to ask your club members which classes they would like for you to attend and bring that information back to the club.

Kiwanis fellowship, fun, food … and EDUCATION that will change your life and the lives of our Georgia District children!!! What more could you want??! I look forward to seeing all of you!

Georgia District of Kiwanis

2018 MID-YEAR TRAINING CONFERENCE

at Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia

Saturday, March 3, 2018

7:30 A.M. – 8:30 A.M. REGISTRATION

8:30 A.M. – GENERAL SESSION

9:45 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. – CLASSES

1:00 P.M. – LUNCH

2:00 P.M. Third Period Classes

Special Meetings after lunch

Kiwanis Club of __________________________, Division______

Email Address of person registering: _______________________________________

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Members Attending

Name    Club Of            District Title

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Do you need special parking assistance? ______

Any Food Allergies _______________________________

Please enclose a check payable to: Georgia District of Kiwanis in the amount of $25.00 per person registered. This includes the registration fee and lunch.

Mail Registration Form by:

Friday, February 23, 2018(We need the numbers to plan for lunch)

Georgia District of Kiwanis, Mid-Year Training Conference

P. O. Box 6618

Macon, GA 31208