THE ELIMINATE PROJECT UPDATE

In 2010, Kiwanis International and UNICEF joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal (MNT) from the face of the globe. Kiwanis International and UNICEF, as partners, had embarked upon a similar mission in 1994, to eliminate iodine deficiency disorder (IDD). With the success of the IDD campaign, the partners were convinced that the MNT undertaking could be a success.

At the time of the kickoff of the MNT campaign, this deadly disease was still stealing the lives of approximately 60,000 innocent babies and significant number of women each year. In order to eliminate this dreadful disease, Kiwanis International was asked to raise $110 million as its portion of the mission.

I am pleased to report that the fundraising goal of $110 Million has been reached in cash and pledges. As of February 28, 2018, The Eliminate Project has collected $78,187,695, in cash. However, this is only 71% of our cash fundraising goal. This means our job is not yet done.

As Kiwanians, we are more determined than ever to finish what we started. The disease is still stealing the lives of 34,000 babies and significant number of women each year. Mothers and babies in 15 countries are still depending on us as Kiwanians to fulfill our pledges. The faster we fulfill these pledges the faster the vaccines will save lives and the faster we will protect the future. We eliminated IDD, and we will eliminate MNT!

The question now becomes, “What is the role of Georgia District of Kiwanis in this matter?” As you know, at the Georgia District Convention, in 2015, we pledge to underwrite the $1.7 Million shortfall we had in reaching our $3.8 Million, in support of The Eliminate Project. Although we are making progress, there is yet much to be done.

In this regard, I am asking our Multi-Division Coordinators, our Division Coordinators, our Club Coordinators, and each Kiwanian to look at ways in which we can receive additional pledges and contributions to support the accomplishment of our goals. In addition, I am requesting our leadership team, from the Governor to the Presidents of our clubs, to again make The Eliminate Project a priority in your list of priorities. Ask each club member to make a personal pledge. If they have already made a pledge, ask them to consider increasing the pledge. Request each club to make a pledge at some level. Have the proceeds from one of your fundraising events be dedicated to The Eliminate Project.

Look to corporations, churches and places of worship, friends and family members, and other organizations and activities you are affiliated to consider making a contribution. The children of the World are depending on us to again make that global difference that we make with IDD.

As of February 28, 2018, the Georgia District has raised $2,145,123, in cash and pledges. To all who have made this possible, we offer a special thanks for your generous efforts and dedication. You are true Kiwanians.

Katrina Baranko
for International
Trustee
Georgia Kiwanians are very special people—they take care of their communities and its needs. I really enjoy the shares I see on Facebook and the photos in our Georgia Kiwanian of the many projects and exciting things happening around Georgia. Thanks for all you and your clubs are doing.

Clubs should be holding their annual meetings during May so that they can report their election results by the due date of June 1st. If you are thinking about a leadership or board position in your club, there are so many training resources available to help you get ready for your start on October 1st. I know that Governor Elect Debbie Brilling has great plans for new training she is introducing to cover all of you get ready for your start on October 1st. I know that Governor Elect Debbie Brilling has great plans for new training she is introducing to cover all of you get ready for your start on October 1st.

Our International Convention in Las Vegas is just around the corner. If your club is unable to provide a delegate, you may select a Past Lieutenant Governor or the Current Lieutenant Governor of your Division to represent your club if they are attending and not representing another club. If a Past Lieutenant Governor agrees to represent your club it is the responsibility of the club to get the Delegate Certificate of Election form to the District Office for signature. If you need a form please contact the District Office. A great time of fellowship, entertainment, and information is in store for all who attend the convention. Hope to see you there!

In Memoriam

William Ted Heath
Perry
James F. Johnston
Griffin
Alvin R. Tuten, Jr.
Baxley

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Inter Club Chair
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The Kiwanian year is half over, has your Club earned your inter club patch yet? As all of you know, it only takes two members per Club to qualify as an official inter club visit this year. The reason is to allow Clubs whose members work during the day to participate in inter club visits, as the majority of the Georgia District Clubs meet during the day. As you may also know, if you visit all of the other clubs in your division PLUS one out of your division minus rallies, training conferences and conventions, you will be awarded a patch IF you notify me directly what you have completed the task. To date, these clubs have completed this challenge: Tattnall County, Brooklet, Swainsboro, Atlanta and Winder. All of us know the value of inter club visits and I encourage you to “GRAB A MEMBER AND GO!” INTER-CLUB-BING!

The Kiwanian Club of Columbus participated in two inter-club meetings this week. Wednesday they visited the Greater Columbus Club that meets at St. Luke and on Thursday members visited the Pike County Kiwanian Club.

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.

The Georgia District is back on social media. Follow us on Twitter@GAKiwanis and like our Georgia Kiwanian page on Facebook. Let’s share our stories!

The Georgia District of Kiwanis website: www.gadistrictkiwanis.org

Kiwanis International

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

New Kiwanis Club

Kiwanis Club of Lithonia - Stonecrest Division 16
Meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.
2624 Lithonia Industrial Blvd., Suite b, Lithonia
President:
Thomas H. LeGall
770.820.2490
Thl1596@gmail.com
Secretary:
Janice Mack
404.427.4260
janmack567@gmail.com

Membership Growth

Membership Growth as of April 2nd

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The Kiwanis Club of Columbus

Lee County High School
1 Trojan Way
Leesburg, GA 31763
FREE and Open to the Public

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

Music Contest
3:00 pm—5:00 pm

Sponsored by the Georgia District Kiwanian Foundation
Hosted by Division 5 of the Georgia District of Kiwanis

The Georgia Kiwanian 2018
Art & Music Showcase
Saturday, April 28, 2018

The Georgia Kiwanian website:
www.gadistrictkiwanis.org
Kiwanis Club Honors Stringfellow BUGS and Terrific Kids

The Kiwanis Club of Moultrie had fun celebrating with BUGS and Terrific Kids recipients at an awards ceremony this week. Stringfellow Elementary School has 27 BUGS students who worked hard to bring up their grads and 10 Terrific Kids who have shown exemplary character in their school. Congratulations to all and thank you to the Kiwanians Alicia Horkan and Terry Jackson, Stringfellow Principal Dr. Tret Witherspoon, and to all Stringfellow staff and administration for all that you do!

Key Club District Convention Recap

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Stringfellow students show off their awards with pride.

Christina Lee
Key Club Georgia District Governor
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Cathy Miller
GA District K-Kids Administrator
cathysue47@gmail.com

How do K-Kids choose high-impact service projects? We learned about the IDEA Toolkit which is used to help K-Kids and advisors IDENTIFY THE NEED and DEVELOP THE PASSION. Now it is time to go to the third part: EXECUTE THE CLUB’S CHOSEN PROJECT. The IDEA Toolkit has a variety of activities that help with each part discussed below:

• Members will work together to set service project goals. What can we do to make sure this project has a long-lasting impact? How can it be continued in the future? Develop a checklist of what needs to be done and when. This is done by the members during a brainstorming session.
• Members will organize project details and prepare for what might happen. Who do we invite? This entails knowing what school policies are, and when and where it will happen. Members also need to plan for possible problems—how to handle them and make adjustments.
• Members will learn how to set a budget and what they can do to develop fundraisers for their service project. What is needed to complete this project? How can we go about raising the money needed? Members will learn how to engage the local community in fundraising and how to develop a fundraising activity.
• Members will work together to complete the service project. After the project is completed, members need to evaluate the effectiveness of the project, what worked, what didn’t and how to fix it.

Next month Part 4: “Advance the Impact”!

TERRIFIC KIDS program introduced to the kids of C.A.R.E.S.

Members of the Kiwanis Club of West Point introduced the TERRIFIC KIDS program to the kids of C. A. R. E. S. (acronym for: Creative, Academic, Recreational, Enrichment, Services) after school program. “TERRIFIC” is an acronym for Thoughtful, Enthusiastic, Responsible, Inclusive, Friendly, Inquisitive, Capable.

“TK” is a student recognition program working with teachers and mentors to improve their attendance, school work, behavior, relationships and to learn life skills… soft skills are important… communication, making decisions, showing commitment, attitude, time management, accepting responsibility and the ability to work under pressure.

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2018 DCON Participants

See page 5 for a list of 2018 DCON Award Winners!
Circle K Convention Recap

The Great and Powerful Georgia District of Circle K International held its 59th Annual District Convention the weekend of February 23rd – 25th 2018 at the Macon Marriott City Center in Macon, Georgia. The convention was a celebration of the Georgia District's past accomplishments and future plans. The festivities began Friday night as Governor Kylie Wilson welcomed everyone to the convention. This was followed by a club-by-club roll call of cheers and songs and an amazing evening of games. Then the group joined Georgia Key Club for a Joint opening session. During the Friday joint session GA Key Club Administrator Brad Malone inducted the Dave Kelly Hall of Fame. Saturday morning began bright and early with the Kiwanis Family Breakfast Session. This year that was followed by the District Wide Caucus. This was preceded by a great breakfast and several awards which are detailed below.

Following another round of caucuses on Saturday afternoon, everyone got dressed up in their finest for the Saturday night dinner honoring club presidents. Most of the club, officer, and individual awards were presented at this session. During this session, Georgia Circle K raised over 2000.00 with our annual pie in the face auction for the WASH Project. Also, the 2016-2017 District Board was recognized along with Immediate Past GA Kiwanis Vice Governor Andy Pipkin accepted the medallion on Immediate Past Governor Carol Wisdom’s behalf. Georgia Key Club had previously received a medallion on Friday night given to Minyoung Kim for their work in Georgia being named a Distinguished District for the administrative year. The House of Delegates quickly followed and the following Circle K members were elected to serve on the 2018-2019 District Board:

Marisa Hoenig, District Governor from Georgia Tech
Leah Reiser, District Secretary-Treasurer from GA Southern
Trey Dolder, Lt. Governor from the University of GA
Linda Qiu, Lt. Governor from the Oxford College of Emory
Olivia Harris, Lt. Governor from the University of West GA

On Sunday morning, the outgoing 2017-2018 board was retired and the new 2018-2019 board was installed by Georgia Kiwanis Governor-elect Debbie Brilling. Thank you to all Kiwanis club sponsors, advisors, and our many convention supporters for making this a memorable event.

Service Leadership Programs

Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Home Awareness Award
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School

Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Home Fundraising Award
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School

Service Initiative Award: UNICEF
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School

Social Media Award
• Key Club of Peachtree Ridge High School
• Key Club of Southwest Georgia Home-school Association

Traditional “Year-In-Review” Award
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Hannah So, Key Club of Peachtree Ridge High School

Non-Traditional “Year-In-Review” Award
• Key Club of Southwest Georgia Home-school Association
• Key Club of Tallulah Falls School
• Key Club of Tift County High School

Oratory Contest
• Patsy Folds, Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Hannah So, Key Club of Peachtree Ridge High School

Digital Club Poster Award
• Key Club of Stratford Academy

Promotional Video Award
• Key Club of Sandy Creek High School
• Key Club of Tift County High School

Dr. Robert Barron Outstanding Community Service
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Key Club of Tallulah Falls School

KCI Single Service - Bronze Division
• Key Club of Southwest Georgia Home-school Association
• Key Club of Tallulah Falls High School

KCI Single Service - Silver Division
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Key Club of Central Christian High School

KCI Single Service - Gold Division
• Key Club of Tallulah Falls

KCI Major Emphasis Award
• Key Club of Central Christian High School

KCI Annual Achievement Award
• Key Club of Habersham Central High School

Key Club of Tallulah Falls School
• Key Club of Central Christian High School
• Key Club of Southwest Georgia Home-school Association
• Key Club of Chasteeate High School

Talent Participation
• Jasmine Ramirez, Camden County High School Key Club
• Lisa Brown, Chapel Hill High School Key Club
• Jessica Jiao, Tallulah Falls School Key Club
• Erin Kim, Peachtree Ridge High School Key Club
• Aston Umbenhah, Habersham Central High School Key Club

Outstanding Club Officer
• Sierra Gant, President of Brunswick High School Key Club
• Megan Peta, President of Mountain View High School Key Club
• Mary Grace Watson, President of Colquitt County High School Key Club
• Kobi Sinseengchanh, President of Habersham Central High School Key Club
• Taylor Hatfield, President of Southwest Home-school Association Key Club
• Mikayla Armstrong, Vice President of Brunswick High School Key Club
• Zixuan Jia, Vice President of Tallulah Falls Key Club
• Andrew McGraw, Key Club of Wayne County High School
• Kaitlyn Catapano, Vice President of Mountain View High School Key Club
• Sarah Hayes, Vice President of Tift County High School Key Club
• Caroline Wai, Treasurer of Mountain View High School Key Club
• Noah Merck, Treasurer of Chasteeate High School Key Club
• Camryn Jones, Treasurer of Brunswick High School Key Club
• Moriah Davis, Secretary of Brunswick High School Key Club

Walter Devin Stapleton Scholarship Recipient
• Megan Peta, President of Mountain View High School Key Club

S. Michael Goss Outstanding Faculty Advisor
• Lydia Blakey, Faculty Advisor of Chapel Hill High School Key Club

John C. Thompson Outstanding Kiwanis Advisor
• Napoleon Foster, Kiwanis Advisor of Lambert High School Key Club

J. Marion Brantley Outstanding Key Club
• Noah Merck, Member of Chasteeate High School Key Club

Georgia District Leadership Scholarship
• Andrew McGraw, Key Club of Wayne County High School
• Kobi Sinseengchanh, Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Jose Ramirez, Key Club of Habersham Central High School
• Noah Merck, Key Club of Chasteeate High School

Robert F. Lucas Outstanding Lieutenant Governor’s Award
• Christina Lee
• Jasmine Ramirez

Outstanding Committee Chair Award
• Andrew McGraw
• Mary Grace Watson

See page 8 for 2018 Circle K Award Winners!
Community Service Projects

Jerry Patrone
Georgia Service Committee Chair
jerrypatrone@aol.com

Spring is here, and I hope everyone is enjoying the weather this time of the year. Remember, this is the time for all clubs to focus on their service projects. We have just finished our 2nd year of the Signature Project contest, and the winner is Macon Kiwanis Club “Teen Driving Roadeo”. GREAT JOB

There will be 10 districts chosen for the competition at ICON this year. I think Macon Kiwanis Club has a great chance to win. I want to thank all that participated in this year’s competition. You are all winners to me, and I appreciate everything you do for Kiwanis.

Remember, to use your service projects to recruit new Kiwanian’s for your club. Next year we will start preparing for the “Signature Project’s” October 1, 2018 with plenty of time to assemble your documentation, pictures, and Ki’s contest rule questions. If there are any questions give me a call or email me.

Many children going into the foster care system pack their personal belongings in garbage bags. Members of Kiwanis Club of Waycross decided to have an ongoing project of collecting bags and luggage for children going into the system. Carlos Nelson, club member and Co-ordinator for Court Appointed Special Advocates, made his fellow club members aware of this need.

Easter Baskets for the Dove Center

The Kiwanis Club of North Macon purchased 21 Easter Baskets for the children in the Dove Center. The Dove Center is a shelter for mothers and their children who need a safe environment in which to live until they can make it on their own. The Director of the shelter is shown here receiving the baskets from Alexia.

Easter Egg Hunt at the Valley Rescue Mission Women & Children’s Center

The Kiwanis Club of Columbus held its First Annual Easter Egg Extravaganza at the Valley Rescue Mission Women & Children’s Center on Saturday, March 17, 2018. The event began with an Easter Basket craft and decorating contest, an outdoor bubbles play time followed by the Easter Egg Hunt and refreshments.

Kiwanian in Photo: (left) Linda Lightfoot; Project Coordinator and Michael-Angelo James; Club President. (right) Martha Wildes and Carlos Nelson.

Kiwanis Club of North Macon hosts Rosa Taylor Kindergarten classes for Easter Egg Hunt

The Kiwanis Club of North Macon sponsors the four Kindergarten Classes at Rosa Taylor Elementary School. Club members volunteered to hide Easter Eggs for their Easter Egg Hunt.

Kiwanis Times Weekend Blessing Runs

10 members of the Swainsboro Kiwanis club traveled to George L. Smith II State Park, Saturday, March 24, 2018 to time a 5K and a 10K run. Both runs were sponsored by “Weekend Blessings” to help raise money for children of Emanuel County. Both runs started at 8:00 a.m. and there were about 40 runners participating. Swainsboro Kiwanis, for many years, has been assisting groups that sponsors 5K and 10K runs by providing the professionalism needed for accurate results. The set-up that Kiwanis provides includes a large time clock, 3 hand held timers that record the time of each runner crossing the finish line, finish shoots consisting of chains and posts and most important, a cheering section for the finishers. If you need your 5K or 10K Runs timed, please contact our Chair Tim Goodman at 478.494.4741 or e-mail him at goodman@uga.edu.
We are now halfway through the 2017-2018 Kiwanis year and I thought you might be interested to know what the Georgia District Kiwanis Foundation has been doing to support the Georgia District so far.

Several grants have been awarded this year. We are giving $3,000 to both the Georgia District Key Club and the Georgia District Circle-K to support their annual conventions. We have given $5,000 to the Kiwanis Club of Columbia County to support Camp Sweet Life for kids with Type 1 diabetes. We will give $3,800 to The Angel House Project as requested by the Kiwanis Club of Greater Cherokee County. We will give $1,500 to the Key Leader program so that kids from across Georgia can benefit from its leadership training. We also will contribute matching funds to the annual District Raffle to be held at the District Convention at Jekyll Island August 17-18. We will be giving out $15,000 in Scholarships at the Georgia District Art & Music Showcase being held on April 28th in Leesburg. That totals $31,300 in grants so far this year (not including the matching funds for the District Raffle).

In addition, we have pledged to President-Elect Debbie Brilling that we will support the Georgia District Key Club and Circle-K again next year (2018-2019) with $6,000 each for their conventions.

The members of the Georgia District Kiwanis Foundation Board have been working hard this year in reviewing grant requests and overseeing the Foundation budget and activities to serve the needs of the Georgia District and support the activities of the individual clubs.

If you have a project that you think qualifies for a grant from the Foundation, download an application from the District website, fill it out and send it to Alexia.

People in the News

Emanuel’s Outstanding Teen Speaks to Kiwanis

Alaylla Watkins, Miss Emanuel County Outstanding Teen 2018, was the guest speaker at the Kiwanis Club of Swainsboro. Alaylla is from Wadley, GA and is a junior at Thomas Jefferson County. Alaylla is Vice President of her class and teaches dances at Stephanie’s Dance Explosion.

A talented dancer and fitness practitioner, she spends much time at local schools promoting her platform “Commit to Fit.” With almost 30 million of our kids being considered obese, it is leading to a projected decrease in lifespan and more of a drain on our health-care system.

Alaylla explained all she had to do to get ready to compete in the Miss Georgia Outstanding Teen competition, having to showcase her talent, interview skills, fitness, and beauty and poise. Along with dancing, Alaylla is on the her school’s shotgun team and is a runner on the school track team.

She is also a dual enrollment student at EOGC. She still finds time to take care of her pets, Bonnie the turkey and Charlotte the pheasant. Alaylla credits the pageants she has won with building up her college scholarship fund and for giving her self-confidence.

Funding Programs

The Georgia District of Kiwanis website: www.gadistrictkiwanis.org
At one time or another most of us have experienced unpleasant situations that we would like to forget; however, the unusual characteristic of memory is that it does not always obey our wishes. Also, there are things that we would like to remember, but in spite of our efforts to recall such knowledge when needed, our memory fails us. Remarkably, at other times, there are situations and events that we recall without even attempting to remember them. Our minds process information and input stimuli at an amazing speed. Nonetheless, it is not necessary or effective to have immediate recall of all of the information that we have accumulated over a lifetime. Therefore, memory prioritizes, and stores away our personal life events so that our present reality is not encumbered by past experiences. Issues related to our survival, ‘fight or flight,’ have immediate access to our present perceptions of reality. Memory, sometimes at the unconscious level, serves to lessen stress on psychological, emotional and spiritual levels; it also works to establish an emotional, psychological, and spiritual state of equilibrium.

On a practical level, our memories are faulty. In courts of law, attorneys know that the power of recall is not perfect. Memory is affected by myriad stimuli and personal biases. We sometimes say that the person has conveniently forgotten. To conveniently forget is to inculcate that the individual does not want to confront the issues at hand or commit perjury. There are times when forgetting is beneficial. The Apostle Paul wrote: “But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on...” Some things need to be forgotten such as those memories that foster attitudes of bitterness and hatred. We need to forget our personal failures; we cannot turn back the hands-of-time nor should we allow ourselves to be controlled by or absorbed in past events. There are several other things we need to forget: those that have harmed us and those heavily indebted to us; an unforgiving spirit leads to bitterness. To strike a proper balance, there are some things that need to be remembered i.e., those who helped us emotionally, physically, financially and spiritually, the individuals, who helped us through the hardships of separations, loss, depressions, and financial dilemmas. They are the persons that loved us in spite of our human failings: our husbands, wives, children and friends these need to be remembered.

A final thought, we cannot forgive until we are willing first to forget. Forgiving yourself can be far more difficult than being forgiven by others. The innate law of retribution and deserved punishment works within the mind. Our conscience and thoughts either accuses us or excuses us. It is only through the operation of God’s spirit that the healing of the memory can occur; healing that permits the witness and the offender to find forgiveness. The remembrance of our wrongs done to others can be the ground for nudging us toward forgiveness and reconciliation. As we align our lives to God through obedience, His Spirit works to heal our memories, take away the tears, and remove the pain.

It is important to your club, district, and Kiwanis International that membership stabilizes and grows. It is even more important to the Kids That Need Kiwanis. I hope you will be a member of TEAM GEORGIA. #KidsNeedKiwanis

Training New and Different !!!!!!!!
Calling all club officers and board members

Can we do better at keeping existing members? A few years back, Kiwanis International did a large scale survey/exit-interview of members that left the organization. One of the explanations the survey revealed was that members were more likely to leave (what the respondents identified as) a poorly-run club. Now, we may be on to something. That sounds like one behavior that can be improved. Easier said than done.

Only about 35% of incoming presidents attend Classroom Club Leadership Education (CLE) in the Georgia District each year. Does that make sense? Will they be able to build an effective and high-performing team? Do they have a background in conflict resolution? Are they prepared to treat all members with respect and dignity and to encourage (and if necessary insist) that other members do likewise? Are they knowledgeable about all Kiwanian programs and initiatives? Should a returning president attend CLE? Is the training that different or improved from year to year?

Consider that many professionals have ongoing education requirements. There has been a total revamp of the education programs for Club Officers and Lieutenant Governors, this year. Will attendees learn something new? Absolutely.

Please engage and encourage your incoming president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer, and all board of directors for the 2018-19 Kiwanian year to attend GOB (Georgia Officers Board) training and other training sessions in the coming year. GOB training will be held in each division starting in June.

Circle K Convention Award Winners!

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Other Committee Reports

You may have gotten emails from a group called The Honor Society (has url of honorsociety.org) or know students that have gotten these emails. This group does not appear to be an honorable honor society. When I researched them, they do exist in Washington DC but beyond that is not recognizable.

They sent me an email and told me I qualify to be a member and get their recognition. It just came the first week of April 2018. I completed my last degree in 1989. The announcement had no indication of what college they had nominated me. Looking further into them I do not see any college that officially recognizes them as an honor society or organization at their college.

There are lots of honorable honor societies that recognize outstanding students for their overall grades in college or for work in various departments. If you are nominated for these, you will be notified by your college along with possibly the group. Some are active organizations at the colleges performing service.

Quite often you do need to pay to belong to them, but some are free. The advantages of these are that employers and other education institutions will recognize them as achievements on your part. My recommendation is to get an email from Honor Society (honorsoceity.org) is to hit delete. However, if you have information that I do not that this is a reputable group and recognized buy a college let me know and I will do further research and publish an update. Reputable who’s who group will list people for free but charge for books and possibly certificates.

I put them in the same group as companies that email, phone or put a large popup on your screen an impression. I researched them, they do exist in Washington DC but beyond that not recognizable.

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An exception to the above warnings about problems is if you have a legitimate program on your machine that cleans or fixes it will tell you, however it will also tell you who they are and not expect you to call them. Couple of these are cleaner and Avast that I use and see notices occasionally that I need to clean something.

Dwight Watt, EdD,CCAI,A+,CCP,COI,MCE
http://www.dwightwatt.com
View my Microsoft Certifications https://www.mcpvirtualbusinesscard.com/VBC-Server/dwightwatt/profie

#KidsNeedKiwanis

Kiwanis - Serving the Children of Georgia and the World
### Division Totals

**Division 1**
- **Total**: 265
  - **Social Circle**: 16
  - **Monticello**: 14
  - **Madison**: 50
  - **Loganville**: 16
  - **Eatonton**: 23
  - **Covington**: 60
  - **Butts County**: 10

**Division 2**
- **Total**: 277
  - **Crawford County**: 19
  - **Forsyth - Monroe County**: 42
  - **Fort Valley**: 37
  - **Jones County**: 22
  - **Macon**: 43
  - **Macon County**: 32
  - **Milledgeville**: 39
  - **North Macon**: 18
  - **Perry**: 30
  - **Taylor County**: 29

**Division 3**
- **Total**: 311
  - **Salacoa Valley**: 10
  - **Rome**: 22
  - **Ringgold**: 19
  - **Murray County**: 21
  - **Dalton**: 67
  - **Cartersville**: 16
  - **Cleveland**: 16
  - **Cornelia**: 33
  - **Dawson County**: 17
  - **Gilmer County**: 25
  - **Rabun County**: 13
  - **Toccoa**: 16

**Division 4**
- **Total**: 305
  - **Social Circle**: 16
  - **Tallulah**: 14
  - **Madison**: 50
  - **Loganville**: 16
  - **Eatonton**: 23
  - **Covington**: 60
  - **Butts County**: 10

**Division 5**
- **Total**: 330
  - **Salacoa Valley**: 10
  - **Rome**: 22
  - **Ringgold**: 19
  - **Murray County**: 21
  - **Dalton**: 67
  - **Cartersville**: 16
  - **Cleveland**: 16
  - **Cornelia**: 33
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**Division 6**
- **Total**: 330
  - **Salacoa Valley**: 10
  - **Rome**: 22
  - **Ringgold**: 19
  - **Murray County**: 21
  - **Dalton**: 67
  - **Cartersville**: 16
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  - **Cornelia**: 33
  - **Dawson County**: 17
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  - **Rabun County**: 13
  - **Toccoa**: 16

**Division 7**
- **Total**: 330
  - **Salacoa Valley**: 10
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  - **Ringgold**: 19
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  - **Dalton**: 67
  - **Cartersville**: 16
  - **Cleveland**: 16
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**Division 8**
- **Total**: 330
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  - **Rome**: 22
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**Division 9**
- **Total**: 330
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**Division 10**
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**Division 11**
- **Total**: 330
  - **Salacoa Valley**: 10
  - **Rome**: 22
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  - **Dalton**: 67
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**Division 12**
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**Division 13**
- **Total**: 330
  - **Salacoa Valley**: 10
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**Division 14**
- **Total**: 330
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**Legend:**
- NC = New Club
- CS = Club Suspended
Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world one child and one community at a time.

The Georgia District is on social media. Follow us on Twitter @GAKiwanis and like our Georgia Kiwanis page on Facebook. Let’s share our stories!

A gift to the Kiwanis Children’s Fund helps children in many places, in many ways. For the Kiwanis family, the Children’s Fund is a way of reaching children through grants, scholarship programs and Kiwanis youth programs.
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Dina will address Kiwanians during the Opening Session, on Thursday, June 28.

THREE DOG NIGHT

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Three Dog Night will perform during the Saturday, June 30, Celebrate! Gala.

SAINT ADELINE

Drew, Kasie, and Chloe Gasparini grew up in a house filled with music and creativity, and they began writing songs and performing together at a very young age.

Each of them has enjoyed success in their independent careers: Drew as a Broadway composer, Kasie as an actress, and Chloe as a solo artist. But whatever else they might be working on, they continue to find a sense of home in the music that they write and perform together as Saint Adeline. Their beautiful folk-pop music lives up to their namesake, the patron of poetry and verse, and their energy is magnetic. In less than two years, they have won over hearts from NY to Nashville to London.

Saint Adeline will perform before the Saturday, June 30, Closing Session.

RUDY REUTTIGER

Known to millions as the young man whose story was told in a 1993 movie called “Rudy,” Ruettiger fought to realize his dream of playing for Notre Dame’s football team—and sacked the quarterback in the only play of his college career. Today, he is one of the most popular motivational speakers in the United States, reaching the only play of his college career. Today, he is one of the most popular motivational speakers in the United States, reaching his dream of playing for Notre Dame's football team—and sacked the quarterback. Today, he is one of the most popular motivational speakers in the United States, reaching his dream of playing for Notre Dame's football team—and sacked the quarterback.

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This Grammy-nominated band is not content resting on its legacy alone. New and existing fans buy Three Dog Night’s music on iTunes as well as at record stores. Releases from this decade alone have sold well over a million copies. Its records continue to sell around the world. Since 1986, the band has performed more than 2,200 shows including two Super Bowls.

Three Dog Night will perform during the Saturday, June 30, Celebrate! Gala.

THE PENGUIN PROJECT

A magical and touching celebration of the human spirit unfolds across the country: A group of children in a program called The Penguin Project take to the stage to perform a modified version of a well-known Broadway musical. These productions are unique, however, because all the roles are filled by young artists with developmental disabilities. They are joined on stage by a dedicated group of “peer mentors”, children the same age without disabilities who have volunteered to work side-by-side with them. By providing access to community theater, The Penguin Project demonstrates that the special challenges of a disability should not handicap a child’s ability to participate in life’s experiences.

The Penguin Project is excited to bring its special brand of theatre magic to the Kiwanis convention stage!

The Penguins might not be able to fly, but that does not prevent their spirits from soaring.

The Penguin project will perform prior to the Opening Session, on Thursday, June 28.

They will also hold a booth and perform a number of times in the World Showcase.

OFFICIAL CALL

Official call and notice is herewith given that the 99th Annual Convention of the Georgia District of Kiwanis International will be held on August 17-19, 2018. The convention will take place at the Jekyll Island Convention Center in Jekyll Island, Georgia.

Any Proposed Amendments to the District Bylaws must be submitted to the District Secretary and received by him/her no later than 60 days prior to the District Convention. Therefore to be considered, all Bylaw Amendments must be in the hands of the District Secretary, P. O. Box 6618, Macon, Georgia 31208, by June 18, 2018.

Any club desiring to present a Resolution at the District Convention, must submit it to the District Resolutions Committee chaired by Dottie Gregg, 555 Youngs Mill Road, Kingston, Georgia 30117, not less than 60 days prior to the convention.

Eligibility

If we have the ability to eliminate this disease, do we have the right not to?
The Georgia District Proudly Nominates
Katrina Baranko 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.

Schedule for International Convention

Wednesday, June 27
Afternoon
Registration
Thursday, June 28
All day
Registration
Kiwanis World Showcase
Educational workshops for club presidents-elect and lieutenant governors-elect
Evening
Opening Session
Friday, June 29
All day
Registration
Kiwanis World Showcase
Morning
Educational workshops
Lunchtime
The Eliminate Project luncheon (ticketed)
Afternoon
Business Session
Evening
Kiwanis Children’s Fund reception (ticketed)
Service Leadership Programs alumni event (ticketed)
Special event: The Movie, Dina
Saturday, June 30
Morning
Registration Kiwanis World Showcase
Educational workshops
Signature Project recognition breakfast (ticketed)
Afternoon
Closing Session
Evening
Celebrate! Gala, featuring Three Dog Night (ticketed)

The schedule is subject to change.