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New Member Inducted

<p>Upcoming Programs:</p> <p>August 20, 2010 – General McCorkle</p> <p>August 27, 2010 – TBA</p>		<p>By Jim Cornell</p> <p>Don Wolford introduced the Kiwanis Club of Kingsport to his friend and dentist of many years, Dr Phillip David Kirby. David, as he prefers to be addressed, is co-owner and President of the Family Dental Center at 116 Jack White Drive. David and his wife Sharon have three grown children.</p> <p>David likes to pursue photography, remodeling and flipping houses, golf, skiing, hiking and target practice. He was a Key Club member while in High School in Knoxville.</p> <p>Past President, Reggie Martin, delivered the Kiwanis Charge to David as he welcomed him into our club. Members are encouraged to get to know David and give him a warm Kiwanis welcome.</p>
<p>Save the Date:</p> <p>September 9 – 11, 2010 – District Convention, Clarksville, TN.</p> <p>September 11, 2010 – District 7 Service/Social Event at Bays Mountain (see announcements for more details).</p> <p>September 23, 2010 – Kiwanis Night (see details at right).</p> <p>October 6, 2010 - Golf Tournament, Cattails at MeadowView (see details on page 5).</p> <p>October 22, 2010 – Visit from District Governor.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Make Plans to Attend Kiwanis Night</p> <p>By Jim Cornell</p> <p>All members of the Kiwanis Club of Kingsport and their guests are invited to attend the 2010 Kiwanis Night on Thursday, September 23rd at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be served at 7 pm. This year, the event will be held in the Fellowship Hall of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church on East Ravine St. Kiwanis Night is an opportunity to gather for a great meal and time of fellowship, celebrate the outstanding member awards, and listen to some fun entertainment.</p> <p>Pratt’s Catering will be preparing the meal this year. The entrees will be Beef Tri Tip au jus and Chicken with tarragon cream sauce. Members can bring their own beer or wine. None will be available for sale. Other alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted.</p> <p>Entertainment for the evening will be provided by the Fettucini Brothers from Huntersville, NC. Alfresco and Alfredo have been serving world class entertainment for over 20 years. For more information, visit their website at www.fettucinibrothers.com.</p> <p>The cost of the fun evening is \$30 per person which for your convenience will be added to your quarterly bill. This is the first year that Kiwanis Night has not been included in your quarterly statement in advance.</p> <p>Members can sign up at the badge table at the Friday meeting or by letting the Secretary know via email. Members should also note the number of guests attending.</p>	

Help a Child Learn to Read



The goal is to help the student become a better reader. Most reading appointments are for 30 minutes. If time permits, the teacher may be able to schedule an adult to read with two students, one after the other. The program typically begins after Labor Day and ends in March. Spouses or good friends are invited to participate along with members.

Helping a child learn to be a good reader can extend beyond the child and his family. When a child learns to be

By Jim Cornell

Kiwanis Club of Kingsport is currently looking for members to become reading buddies with children at Kennedy and Roosevelt Elementary Schools. Those who haven't signed up yet should contact Jim Finney to help at Kennedy and Gary Godsey to help at Roosevelt. The reading buddy program works like this. Kiwanians are assigned to a team of three. If one member of the team can not participate on his/her scheduled time/date, he/she can swap with one of the members of their team. Each team is assigned to read with a particular teacher. The teacher selects the student who needs assistance. The adult typically listens as the student reads, helping him with tough words or interpreting the subject matter. Sometimes, the adult takes turns reading with the student. The goal is to help the student become a better reader.

a better reader, he experiences a sense of accomplishment and his self esteem is improved. Many times the reading buddy provides much needed encouragement to the student. Improved reading ability helps the child to become a better student and not act out in school. Students who are reading on grade level by third grade are less likely to drop out of high school. Just knowing that someone cares makes a big difference. Reading proficiency is fundamental to successful performance in many other subjects. A better student eventually becomes a better adult – someone who can contribute to society instead of being dependent upon society. An educated society can do much to alleviate the world's problems instead of contributing to them.

So help a child learn to read! It is not only a lot of fun, it changes young lives – forever!

Major Emphasis Committee Continues To Impact Reading Improvement

Wayne Ladd presented a gift of \$1,500 to Roosevelt Elementary School to continue support of the Reading is Fun and Life Skills programs. Accepting the check, Principal Mike Fulkerson told the club that the funds would enable the school to provide as many books as possible for kids to take home to practice their reading. Mike reminded us that improvement in reading is a collective effort. It takes teachers, students, parents and volunteer readers to make improvements in reading ability. Roosevelt has made great strides with this collaborative approach. Mike concluded by reminding the club that they could use more volunteer readers at Roosevelt. Mary Hess, the Reading Coordinator at Roosevelt, accompanied Principal Fulkerson to accept the gift. Please see the article above to learn more about the Kiwanis reading program and how you can support it.



Principal Mike Fulkerson and Reading Coordinator Mary Hess accept contribution from Wayne Ladd.

Kiwanis Concerns

Please remember the following in your prayers:

- Milton Nelson and Gail Preslar in the loss of Milton's brother.
- Past Kiwanian Bob Hasek on the loss of his wife, Mary Ann.
- John Campbell and his wife in the loss of Gail's father.

Congratulations

- To John Crawford for his election as a County Commissioner!

Invite Someone to Take a Test Drive



New membership program is an excellent way to engage young professionals.

The prospective new member will be introduced each week. At the end of the three months, the prospective new member will be interviewed and will decide whether Kiwanis is right for them.

During the trial period, the prospective member should attend as many weekly meetings as possible. During this time they should try to meet as many members as possible. A good way to do this is to sit at different tables during the meetings. Prospects will sit in on at least one committee meeting and participate in any work project or fundraiser that might take place during the trial period.

Kiwanis members should go out of their way to get to know the prospective member, to make them feel welcome, and answer any questions that they may have during the trial period. A new member nametag will be provided for each prospect to wear making him/her easily recognized.

For this to really be successful, Kiwanis members need to identify people who would be good Kiwanis members, invite them to a meeting, and invite them to become prospective new members by taking a Kiwanis “test drive”.

By Reggie Martin

Would you buy a new car without trying it out first by taking it for a test drive? Membership Development Committee believes that one way to attract good potential members is by giving them an opportunity to take us on a “test drive”. The new membership pathway program will allow a potential member to try out the club without having to pay the induction and membership fees until the prospect is sure he/she wants to join.

Under the membership pathway program, a prospective new member will be able to attend meetings for three months by just paying for the cost of the meal.

Blake Roller Gives a Key Club Update

By Jim Cornell

Always full of enthusiasm, Blake Roller gave the club an excellent overview of the Key Club’s International Convention held recently in Memphis. Blake was elected Governor of the Kentucky-Tennessee District. Some of the year’s highlights include: 1) Membership of Key Club International reached 250,000, making them the largest Kiwanis family organization. 2) Donated \$1.6 million to UNICEF for Operation Uruguay. 3) Gave \$160,000 to March of Dimes. 4) Contributed \$600,000 to the Children’s Miracle Network.

Key Club International has accepted a challenge to raise \$500,000 for a project to protect Ugandan Mountain Gorillas from extinction. If they reach their goal, they will be able to name a baby gorilla in Uganda. The organization has already raised \$13,000 towards this goal with a one day Walk-A-Thon in Memphis.

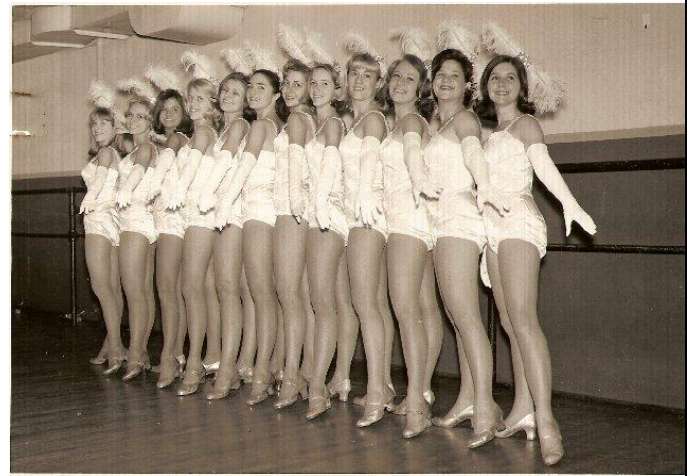


District Key Club Governor Blake Roller and Sullivan Central Key Club Treasurer Mike Fulkerson promote Key Club by wearing their super Key Club t-shirts.

Before Funfest's Showtime There Was Kiwanis Kapers



Kiwanis Kapers End Men – Frank T-Bone Taylor (left) and Mack Riddle (right) managed to skewer the hide of anyone important in Kingsport.



Kiwanis Kapers would not have been the same without Reece Toohey's dance troupe.

If you did not see it, Vince Staten's column on page 1C of the Sunday, July 18, 2010, issue of the Kingsport Times News carried the title above. The article contained quite a bit of early history about Kiwanis Kapers, the Kiwanis Club of Kingsport's primary fund raising project for many years. As the article noted, Kapers had its final appearance in 1977. In its hey day, Kapers was a big deal in Kingsport. It was a bit of Vaudeville, Broadway and Corn Pone all rolled into one big canvas. Club members, local talent, and community leaders all combined their resources to put on a smorgasbord of song, dance, humor and fun! Some of the funniest spots were Frank and Mack, Frank (T-Bone) Taylor and Mack Riddle. They told funny stories and poked fun at the local establishment. You knew you had arrived on

the local political scene when Frank and Mack made you look dumb. Before the advent of TV, Kapers was a must see in Kingsport as well as a great fund-raiser for the club. Probably just as important was that Kapers gave the Kiwanis club great visibility (notoriety) in the city. It also involved all the club members in some capacity to put on the show. Advertising, selling tickets, building the props, participating in the show, selling grab bags, crowd control and tear down/clean-up required every Kiwanian to do something. In the last years of Kapers, performances were held at the Civic Auditorium for two nights (Friday and Saturday). "I can still smell the fresh paint, the make-up, popcorn and sweat," said Jim Cornell. Kapers may be gone, but it will never be forgotten.

Volunteers Work to Bring Carousel to Kingsport



The four horsemen and Bud Ellis (center) display their carvings.

to bring a carousel to Kingsport. Those who knew Gale probably heard about his love for carousels. Gale grew up in Binghamton, NY, a city that had six historic carousels in its metro area. Gale's passion infected other Kiwanians, specifically woodcarvers Reggie Martin, George Gibson and Ted Heilig. Carousels used to have wood horses and other animals for children to ride. While the mechanical parts of carousels have often survived, the old wood animals are frequently gone, victims of weather and antique markets. Reggie, George and Ted, along with Milton Nelson are raising interest in Kingsport in carving wood animals for a community carousel. When Gale recently passed away, a memorial fund was established for the carousel project. Kingsport's Cultural Arts division has been assisting with efforts to promote the project. Bonnie MacDonald, Director of Kingsport's Cultural Arts

By Jim Cornell

Another article on the front page Sunday, July 18, 2010, issue of the Kingsport Times-News had a Kiwanis connection – a carousel for Kingsport. The story tells about Gale Joh's desire

Division, refers to Reggie, George, Ted and Milton as the Four Horsemen. To learn more about the project, visit the website at www.Kingsportcarousel.org or locate the Facebook page by searching for Kingsport Carousel. Anyone interested in helping should contact Reggie Martin.

Every Kiwanis Member Can Support the Club's Only Fundraiser

Whether you are a golfer or not, there are multiple ways you can support the golf tournament coming up in October. You can provide a sponsorship or encourage your business contacts to sponsor, sign up and register a team to play or encourage other golfers to sign up a team, or you can volunteer to help out on the day of the event. Please see the sponsorship and player fees listed below:

- **Participant** - \$100 entry fee for one player (please try to get a four player team together)
- **Major Corporate Sponsor** - \$3,000 – includes entry fee for four participants and prominent display of corporate logo on brochure and banner at the tournament.
- **Corporate Sponsor** - \$500 – includes entry fee for four participants and listing of the company on the brochure. This is a great package to provide a thank you to your clients or employees.
- **Hole Sponsor** - \$200 – a sign to display your company name at the teeing ground of a hole.
- **Cart Sponsor** - \$25 – name displayed on the cart during the tournament.

The tournament will begin with a shotgun start after a box lunch at noon on Wednesday, October 6, 2010, at Cattails at MeadowView. There will be prizes for the winners for each flight. In addition, there will be contests for the longest drive and closest to the pin on par 3's (one each for men and women).

The proceeds from the fundraiser are used to further the mission of Kiwanis – changing the world on child and one community at a time. Kiwanis is involved with many programs which improve the quality of life for children and youth: coats and schools for local children, First Book of Greater Kingsport, reading at Kennedy and Roosevelt Elementary Schools, Boys and Girls Club, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Salvation Army, CASA for Kids, Key Clubs of Dobyns-Bennett and Sullivan South, Builders Clubs at Robinson Middle School and Boys and Girls Club, and the Boundless Playground at Warrior's Path.

Please find a way to support the Kiwanis Club of Kingsport's only fundraiser and help children and youth to have what they need to be successful. Contact Paul Harper for more information or to help.

Announcements

Make plans to attend the District 7 Service/Social Event at Bays Mountain on September 11, 2010.
There will be a free planetarium show from 11:00 a.m. to noon and lunch at noon.
Bring canned food or a monetary donation for Second Harvest Food Bank.

Kiwanis vests are available to wear at events. If your committee is planning a project or an event and you're interested in creating awareness about Kiwanis Club of Kingsport, see Lee Cornell to get the vests.

Free business card sized invitations, Ask Me About Kiwanis badges and Kiwanis magnetic ribbons are available for your use. They are located at the badge table.

Be sure to attend other Kiwanis Club meetings when you are out of town. It not only counts as a make-up, but you may pick up some new ideas. A club locator is available on the Kiwanis International website – www.kiwanis.org.

Remember to sign-in and record your service hours at each weekly meeting
and to silence your cell phones before the program begins.

The Kiwanis Club of Kingsport, P.O. Box 3506, Kingsport, TN 37664

Meetings: Friday Noon at Americourt (AKA Quality Inn), Kingsport

Visited the Kiwanis Club of Kingsport Website lately?

Check out the recent photographs of events on the homepage - <http://www.kingsportkiwanis.org>

A special thank you to John Hale for keeping the homepage up to date.