

# K-T Notes

## Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District

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January 2011

### 2011 Kentucky-Tennessee Regional Conference

#### **"Seven Habits of Successful Clubs"**

#### **Conference 1- February 12, 2011 9:00-4:00pm**

Crieve Hall Church of Christ- 4806 Trousdale Dr. Nashville, TN 37220

(615) 833-5395 [www.crievehall.org](http://www.crievehall.org)

#### **Conference 2- February 19, 2011 9:00-4:00**

First Christian Church-1106 State St. Bowling Green, KY 42103

[www.firstchristianbg.org](http://www.firstchristianbg.org)

#### **Conference 3- February 26, 2011 9:00-4:00**

Norwood United Methodist Church-2110 Merchants Dr. Knoxville, TN 37912

(865)687-1620 [www.norwoodumc.holston.org](http://www.norwoodumc.holston.org)

#### **Conference 4- March 5, 2011 9:00-4:00**

Baptist Collegiate Ministry (EKU)- 325 University Dr. Richmond, KY 40475

859-623-3294

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## Notes from the Editor

Hope you had a wonderful holiday season and have enjoyed the extra snowy winter we have had so far. May this year be the best year yet for each of us.

Most of this issue is reports of activities clubs across K-T did for children fro Christmas. We do make a difference one child at a time, one community at a time and here is the chance to see the big effect.

I look forward to your future contributions and suggestions

More next time. The next issue will be in late March. Please have submissions to me by March 15.  
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**2010-2011**

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#### **KIWANIS DEFINING STATEMENT**

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

**Check the K-T Kiwanis blog at**  
**[http://www.ktkiwanian.org/public\\_district/index.aspx](http://www.ktkiwanian.org/public_district/index.aspx)**

## A Tradition Continues – Students of Heuser Hearing Institute Celebrate the holidays with Santa and the Kiwanis Club of Louisville

A favorite tradition of students, families, staff and local Kiwanis Club members is the annual Holiday Party for students of the Heuser Hearing Institute (formerly The Louisville Deaf Oral School). Included in the days festivities were:

- children's orchestra performance – thanks in part to a Louisville Orchestra grant program
- puppet activity for children (30 minutes or so)
- Santa, Mrs. Claus and Rudolph and present gifts to children

Founded by The Woman's Club of Louisville and the Kiwanis Club of Louisville in 1948, Louisville Deaf Oral School opened its door to any child with a hearing loss serious enough to require amplification and educational assistance. LDOS was the first school of its kind in Kentucky and continues to be one of a limited number in the United States.



## Oak Ridge Kiwanis Members and Enrichment Federal Credit Union Friends help Holiday Bureau with Tue Dec 7 'Toy Moving Project'

Folks from the Kiwanis Club of Oak Ridge TN and Friends from the Enrichment Federal Credit Union (EFCU) helped Holiday Bureau volunteers move toys from storage bags and boxes to bins on Dec 7 for use in the Dec 9 distribution to families who select toys for their children. 'Toy Moving Project' volunteers met at 6 PM Tuesday December 7 at the Holiday Bureau in Oak Ridge for this traditional Kiwanis service project. Kiwanis Club and Member checks were also presented to help with Holiday Bureau expenses. The Holiday Bureau is an organization of volunteers that prepares for year-end distribution of food vouchers and toys to families in need.



## Downtown Kiwanis Presents Three Bicycles to Readers at Area Schools

The Downtown Kiwanis Club in three separate presentations awarded three bicycles to prolific readers at three local area elementary schools. The bikes are presented to encourage reading at the elementary school level.

Bicycle Recipients were as follows:

McNabb Elementary – Third Grader, Zaria Prather

Morgan Elementary – Fifth Grader, Veronica Hovis

Clark Elementary – Third Grader, Alex Kaletch

The Read to Ride program is a program sponsored by the Downtown Kiwanis Club of Paducah Kentucky . Its purpose is to encourage elementary age student to take a greater interest in reading books. This program began in the 2008-09 school year and works in conjunction with the Accelerated Reader Program, a computer-based reading management and motivational system designed to challenge children to read more books. A bicycle, helmet and lock were donated to each of the three Paducah Elementary schools and awarded to a student at mid-year and also at the end of the school year. Winners were chosen based on the student who had accumulated the most points in the Accelerated Reader Program. The Accelerated Reader program uses a weighted point based system that award points based on the reading level of the book. Club member Craig Howard suggested the project to the club after moving to the area from New Orleans . The program is modeled after one used by the Dawn Busters Kiwanis Club of Metairie Louisiana (New Orleans area) that has been very successful in encouraging students to read more books. This is Paducah Kiwanis' fourth year for the program. Paducah Kiwanis gives a special thanks to Bike World of Paducah who has partnered with the Downtown Kiwanis Club of Paducah by providing the bikes, helmets and locks at a greatly reduced price.

Downtown Kiwanis is a group of men and women dedicated to philanthropic efforts and community service. The club raises most of its funds through an annual Christmas Auction and participation in Bar-b-Que on the River.



## Governor's Dinner on October 7th

the Governor's Dinner on October 7th included Alina Strand, Lt. Gov., David Harkleroad, President of Kiwanis Club of Richmond, James Mann, District Governor, Myra Finney, President of the Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna, Roger Davis, President of the Kiwanis Club of Winchester, and Betty Olinger, President of the Kiwanis Club of Berea.



## Fort Oglethorpe Kiwanis win Christmas Parade trophy

As has become an annual affair, the Fort Oglethorpe Kiwanis won the award for the best float in the Fort Oglethorpe Christmas parade under the leadership of Jim Coltrin and David Hollis



## Pikeville Kiwanis Club adopted an orphan for Christmas

The Pikeville Kiwanis Club adopted an orphan for Christmas. We took a special Christmas Tree with wrapped gifts of his Christmas wishes .

We had a party with him and spent the day with him. It was a magical day with many special Kiwanian moments.



## Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna recently made a contribution to the Salvation Army

The Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna recently made a contribution to the Salvation Army in support of their programs for families at Christmas. Myra Finney, President of the club presents the check to Delvin Reese who was one of the local bell ringers for the Salvation Army. The local bell ringing was organized by club member Steve Garrett, a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board.



## The Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna recently recognized current club members who have been members for 25 or more years

The Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna recently recognized current club members who have been members for 25 or more years. Pictured are *standing*: Tom Bonny (40+ years); Eugene Bush (50+ years); Bobby Rose (40+ years); Tom Whitaker (25 years); Danny Long (30 years);

*seated*: Charlie Vanhuss (65 years) and C.D. Noland (25+ years) *Not pictured* is Bob Calder (25+ years).



## Spring City Kiwanis

The Spring City club participated in the Spring City Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade on December 11, 2010. Our "float" consisted of our kiddie train which was decorated with wrapping paper and bows. The cars were filled with stuffed animals. The only real passenger was a little girl named Chloe Barger who has ridden our train at every event over the past several years. Members walked along side the train. A picture appeared in the Chattanooga Times Free Press and our little train was the only picture posted from the parade! Our club also raised over \$10,000.00 this year for our Christmas food basket program! Our Food Basket program has been an on-going service project for our club for over 40 years! This allowed us to give out 200 food boxes consisting of over 60 pounds of quality food consisting of canned goods, dry goods, staples, fresh meat, dairy, produce, and eggs. These boxes served households consisting of 291 adults including 112 seniors and 96 children. We had volunteers from other community groups, Girl Scouts, Key Club, Builder's Club, churches, etc. to fill the boxes on Friday night, December 17th and we gave out the food on Saturday morning, December 18th.



## Russellville Celebrates 50 years

The Russellville-Logan Kiwanis Club will be celebrating 50 years of service on Feb. 17th. We are planning an evening of celebrating to be held at Ariellas (a new Italian restaurant in town) beginning with a gathering at 6pm on Thursday, Feb. 17th.

You are invited to join us. The cost is \$25.00 per person. Reservations need to be in no later than Feb. 11th to Dorothy Krepps at 270-726-2101, email: [dottyejo@bellsouth.net](mailto:dottyejo@bellsouth.net) or to Gerry Frost at 270-847-3673, email: [ghfrost1@gmail.com](mailto:ghfrost1@gmail.com).

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## Hazard/Perry County Kiwanis Club held their annual Toys For Tots Program

The Hazard/Perry County Kiwanis Club held their annual Toys For Tots Program in December. Thanks to local businesses, organizations and individuals who donated toys and money, they were able to give over 350 children toys for Christmas. Each child is chosen through the Resource Centers in the schools and are chosen based on financial need. Each child that needs assistance. Santa and the Hazard Club makes sure they get 3 or 4 gifts each, as well as if there are younger children in the home that are not in school, Santa sends them toys too. The Club had help from the Perry County JROTC Members, the Hays Lewis Elementary K-Kids Club, and Cathy, Wayne and Charity Herald of Unique Impressions. We are so grateful to all of our volunteers and donors who help each year to make this event possible. The smiling faces of children make all of the time and effort worth while. Due to the inclement weather this year, we had a very difficult time getting the gifts to the children, we would like to send out a special thank you to the Resource Center Directors who worked in the snow along with us to deliver the



## Kiwanis Service—Blue Grass Kiwanis

What is Kiwanis Service about? It doesn't necessarily require fund raisers and check writing. The Blue Grass Kiwanis Club in Lexington, Kentucky highlights two of their favorite service projects that don't require one cent to perform yet the members love the feeling that they come away with and the recipients are thankful that there is a caring group by the name of Kiwanis.

### Blue Grass Kiwanis—The Hope Center Servers

It starts at 11:30 am when a group of Kiwanians meet at the Hope Center, a homeless shelter for men in Lexington to serve lunch to the 100+ men that are qualified to eat a hot lunch provided by the facility. The Hope Center is operated and funded by the Lexington Fayette County Government with private donations from individuals. Our members provide the labor to serve the food plus put a human face on our caring community. The Mission Statement: To care for homeless and at-risk persons by providing life-sustaining and life-rebuilding services that are comprehensive and address underlying causes. Paul Bimschleger committee chair poses with cafeteria manager Miss Sue.





## Blue Grass Kiwanis–Reading Program at the North Lexington Family YMCA Child Development Center

Twice a month a group of Blue Grass Kiwanians meet at the Y to read books to pre-school children. It only takes about 20 minutes for each visit. Many of these children may never have a book read to them at home due to an absent parent because they are working or because they have left the family unit with only one care giver. The children are always eager to listen and visit with the Kiwanis members. How special to see children's faces light up because someone care enough to spend a few minutes with them on a regular basis. The books are available through various local grants that the Y receives. Kiwanian Bud Brooks and his wife Cecille always bring Honorary Kiwanian "Bearnard" along to help the children learn to be quite and listen to the readers.



## District Website

<http://www.ktkiwanian.org>

## Kiwanis Club of Laurel County

November and December...We sold hams (spiral and country), cookbooks and ornaments to raise money for our annual shopping spree with local needy children.

We hosted our 1st Annual Fish Fry on December 3rd. It was a lot of hard work....but we raised money for the club

December 8th - Our club took 32 local needy children shopping at K-Mart for clothes and toys, We also took them to lunch. It was so rewarding seeing their smiling faces.

We also sponsored the angel tree at K-Mart.

We are going to have a chili luncheon on March 4th, 2011.

## Versailles Kiwanians

Versailles Kiwanians celebrated a month of community service with a Christmas luncheon on December 28, 2010. Our two primary projects were Annual Pancake Breakfast on December 4,, 2010 chaired by Jack Lee and a Christmas Food Drive chaired by Lloyd Biggs.

Pancake Breakfast served over 400 meals and raised \$3,608. to fund college scholarships. This was a joint effort with our SLP clubs and sponsored BSA Troop 43. Southside Elementary K-Kids and WCHS Key Clubbers seated and served the diners supervised by advisers Debbie Spears, Yvonne Crank, and Karen Brock. Boy Scouts assisted with prep and clean up supervised by Allen Nichols.

Annual Christmas Food Drive was completed on December 21, 2010 with the distribution of one hundred large boxes of food (with estimated value of \$10,500.) to Woodford County families in need. Primary focus was on providing food to children during Christmas break from school.

Families were selected by Woodford Co. Community Action and Human Resource Counselors from Woodford Co. elementary schools. Each family also received a ham donated by the Salvation Army and a coupon for perishables donated by our club.

Once again, our SLP Southside K-Kids held their own food drive collecting, sorting and packing over 2,000 items. Kiwanis members assisted by Scouts of Troop 43 collected food at two supermarkets on December 19. Collected food was sorted and packed on Sunday afternoon December 20 and distributed on Monday morning December 21 by volunteers from Community Action, Troop 43 and Kiwanis members. Excess food was donated to Woodford Co. Food Pantry.

During November and December Kiwanians rang bells for Salvation Army for thirty hours. Versailles Kiwanis continued our YCPO project by reading to Headstart children (33) and donating a jacket and toy for each child at their Christmas party.



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***Please use one registration form per person.***

Advanced Registration-\$15.00 per person.

Registration must be received in District Office on the Monday preceding your conference of choice to be considered pre-registered.

Registration at door- \$20.00 per person.

In case of inclement weather your registration can be applied to the next conference of choice.

Participant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Division \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail check with form to: KY-TN District Office

1035 Strader Drive Suite 150-1

Lexington, KY 40505

Please make check payable to KY-TN District Office.

**2009-2010 District Awards will be recognized at meeting**

**Kentucky-Tennessee District  
Regional Midyear Conference  
“The Seven Habits of Successful Clubs”**

**Agenda**

8:30 – 9:00 am **Gather & refreshments**

9:00 – 9:15 am **Welcome & objectives- Governor Jim Mann**

9:15 – 9:45 am **Make the Commitment (Vision of club excellence)**

9:45 – 10:15 am **Invest in Leadership (Succession planning)**

10:15 – 10:30 am **Break**

10:30 – 11:15 am **Welcome Change (Planning club success)**

11:15 – 12:00 noon **ABC’s of Growth (Recruiting & retention)**

**Add success stories from local clubs on growth!**

12:00 – 12:45 pm **Lunch**

12:45 – 1:30 pm **Member Education (Orientation, education, information)**

**International and District Foundation**

1:30 – 2:15 pm **Recognize Achievement (Member recognition)**

**Present club awards from the district at this point.**

2:15 – 2:30 pm **Break**

2:30 – 3:30 pm **High Impact Service (Service projects & member experience)**

**Add testimonials and success stories of SLP**

**Add short presentation on Eliminate Project**

3:30 – 4:00 **Wrap-up & Closing- Governor Jim Mann**

# Bowling Green Kiwanis

“Year after year, funds are raised and events come and go. Many children are served, but we don’t often see the results of our efforts,” stated President Claude Robertson, Bowling Green Kiwanis Club.

Serving the children, changing the world one child at a time, was on his mind as he commenced his term of office. He envisioned a way to see personally how the clubs efforts could affect a child directly. A real hands on experience. “Let’s give a party for the children” and a Youth Celebration was born.

Many children around the world, across the nation, across Kentucky, and in Bowling Green are living below the poverty level. Some don’t have tables to set down around for a meal with their families. As Anne Grubbs, Bowling Green Kiwanis President Elect, reminded us, “Sharing a meal is something that all cultures understand as a way to bond and grow together.”

Bowling Green Junior High School was designated the school for our Teen Angel project and 25 students were selected to receive up to \$100 in gifts. Linda Krutza, Family Resource and Youth Service Center Director at Bowling Green Jr. High selected the students. Ms. Krutza works with these students many of whom had basic needs unfulfilled until in her program. This program came out of the Kentucky Education Reform Act (KERA) in 1990 and helps the transition between lack in the home and learning in the schools.

Doug Foster chaired the Bowling Green Kiwanis’ efforts in purchasing gifts and delivering them to the school so that the parents could take them home and place them under the tree, As these gifts to the students were given anonymously, our guests at the party were each given a stocking from Santa full of treats and small gifts that included theater passes to a movie. Greg Stevens took responsibility for filling those 25 stockings.

