

# K-T Notes April 2010

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**The Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village sponsors “Trout in the Classroom” program in Loudon County, Tennessee**

By Vicky Newman

Something real fishy is going on in some Loudon County classrooms these days. Each morning at Steekee Elementary, third graders in Heather Ervin’s class begin their day by excitedly checking the progress of the fish in the classroom aquarium.

This aquarium is no ordinary classroom feature. It is part laboratory, part incubator, and part indoor field trip.

At a time when the effort to hold students’ interest can seem to teachers like the proverbial swim upstream, Trout in the Classroom (TIC) is helping to illustrate a number of lessons and explain concepts.

Ervin was fishing for an opportunity to add interest to her classes when the TIC program came along. The opportunity was provided by Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village.

The club provides the equipment — aquarium and chiller, food and supplies — and maintains and monitors the tank twice-weekly. “I use this to teach life cycles,” Ervin says. “We talked about habitats and the environment, and the temperature needed in the tank for the fish survival. Last year I taught fifth grade, and used more of the chemistry. The students helped to test the water and record the data. It keeps them interested and engaged because it is a hands-on project, an outlet for the science curriculum.”

The eggs were delivered to the Steekee Elementary classroom in October, and soon hatched into tiny fish called “aelvin.” “They were here a couple days before they started hatching,” Ervin said. “The students have enjoyed watching the fish grow and change, observing the whole cycle of growth and development.”



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## Watt Appointed Editor

This is the first K-T Notes I have edited. I am a member of the Ft Oglethorpe Kiwanis.

I served as webmaster for the Georgia Kiwanis for several years. I am a CIS instructor at Georgia Northwestern Technical College. I write a weekly article on technology for several weekly newspapers and have done a blog type article on my website since about 1998 ([www.dwightwatt.com](http://www.dwightwatt.com))

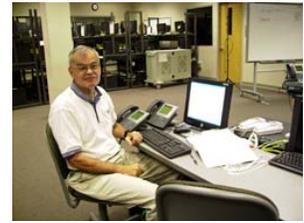
I will be depending on you as a member of the Kentucky – Tennessee Kiwanis to supply me with articles and pictures.

Although we have published quarterly I will publish more often if we have adequate material. I would love to have articles and pictures on district events and by various chairs of district committees. (Dwight@dwightwatt.com) I wrote an article for several years as Technology chair for the Georgia Kiwanis.

Look forward to your contributions and suggestions.

More next time.

Dwight Watt



## Club News

Oak Ridge Kiwanians and friends were represented on Thursday AM April 22 by helpers at the OR Schools Preschool 'Reading is Fundamental' program. Felicia Langley and Mark Hembree of the Enrichment Federal Credit Union read to the 13 classes starting about 9 AM. Harold Hartman supplied books to a table where children selected them starting about 10:30 AM. Information is in community at <http://preschool.ortn.edu/>



Vicki Adams installs son, Tim Adams, in Irvine-Ravenna Kiwanis Club

Send photos and articles of your club events to Dwight at [dwight@dwightwatt.com](mailto:dwight@dwightwatt.com) to be included in future K-T Notes

## Sponsored Organizations

The Kentucky-Tennessee District of Circle K is on Facebook at [http://www.facebook.com/n/?pages%2FKentucky-Tennessee-Circle-K-International-District%2F110591472304583&mid=23025ecG2576a260G46ece06G4c&n\\_m=kleine%40chpl.net](http://www.facebook.com/n/?pages%2FKentucky-Tennessee-Circle-K-International-District%2F110591472304583&mid=23025ecG2576a260G46ece06G4c&n_m=kleine%40chpl.net)

The Kentucky-Tennessee District of Key Club International is on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Kentucky-Tennessee-District-of-Key-club-International/108558885829963>

Welcome East Side Elementary School, Elizabethton, TN, to K-Kids! It is certainly great to welcome another group to the Kiwanis Family!

# Kiwanis Offers Leadership Opportunities

by Glen Kleine, Governor

Many reasons are given for encouraging Kiwanis membership.

Most often, increased membership is equated with increased service. And that makes sense. The more members you have, the wider variety of services your club can provide and the more in-depth service you can provide.

We know the primary motivation of most prospective members is their drive to serve their community. There are other, however, other reasons that prompt individuals to become Kiwanians.

There is a value in becoming a Kiwanian that we, as Kiwanians, don't promote nearly as often as we should; that by becoming a Kiwanis Kiwanians develop leadership skills. Leadership development is one of the principal skills sought by young people entering the work force. And we should take advantage of that objective, as does Kiwanis International.

Kiwanis International has redesignated the "Sponsored Youth" organizations as "Service Leadership" organizations. Why do you suppose they made that change? Because each group, in its own way, emphasizes the development of both a service ethic and leadership skills.

Anyone who attended the 2010 KT Key Club Convention could not help but be impressed with the level of service displayed by the Key Clubs - and if you closely observed the operation of the convention itself it is evident that it was the Key Club members themselves, not their adult administrators, that actually provided the convention leadership.

That didn't happen by chance. The Key Club members are encouraged to develop these skills at the club, the division, and the district levels. It is evident that our KT Key Club District has been successful in developing these skills when you consider the articulate leadership at the district convention. The selection of our 2008-2009 KT Key Club Governor Abigail McKamey as the 2009-2010 President of Key Club International is just one measure of the leadership skills developed in our district that is recognized by others.

In short - we need to use the development of leadership as a primary inducement for prospective members to become Kiwanians. The skills that Kiwanians develop as they work on service projects and fund raising activities are skills they will be able to use in the work place. The interpersonal skills they develop in their local Kiwanis clubs will translate into their employment and community leadership positions.

These leadership skills will attract younger members to Kiwanis. Then it is our job to give these young Kiwanians an opportunity to provide leadership at the club, the division, the district, and the international levels. If you get a new member - put them to work as soon as possible. They will thank you for it - and you will benefit from it.

Every member can make an impact by inviting just one person to join. When should you start this? Start this at your next meeting - but especially during Kiwanis Membership Month in May! For concrete suggestions on how to use the Kiwanis International REVEAL Membership Program - please see:

<http://www.kiwanisone.org/Pages/Resources/default.aspx?PageID=321>

- Make service projects, socials and meetings fun. Who says meetings can't serve a dual purpose? Combine a regular meeting with a service project to show potential members what your club is doing to make a difference in your community. This doesn't have to be a large scale service project, it can be as simple as making care packages for a local children's hospital or collecting school supplies for underprivileged children.

- A "paper meeting" is another option for incorporating your meeting and a service project. Your club members and guests will meet at the regular meeting place and time, but instead of conducting a formal meeting, all the important communications are typed out and distributed. The members and guests would then have the time and opportunity to perform service in place of having a meeting.

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## Kiwanis Offers Leadership Opportunities - continued

- Capture recruits' passion to make their experience meaningful. Use the Complete Volunteer Interest Form to let your members tell you where their passion and talents lie. Then use that information to cater your meeting programs and service projects to members' interests. Playing to the strengths and talents of your members will go a long way in the success of a project and the overall happiness of members. If people are doing what interests them, they are more likely to complete the tasks and stay involved.
- Create a contest. Get members' competitive juices flowing while working toward a common goal—bringing new members to your club. Divide into teams or compete as individuals, but get everyone involved and make it a contest worth winning. You will find some "Creative Bring-A-Guest Days!" suggestions at the following web site:  
<http://www.kiwanisone.org/Pages/Resources/default.aspx?PageID=258>
- Engage all members. Especially when prospective members attend your meetings, invite everyone in your club to participate, especially new and prospective members. Here are, "Enhance the member experience - Points for participation" that encourages both members and guests to take part. See: <http://www.kiwanisone.org/Pages/Resources/default.aspx?PageID=257>
- Plan, plan, plan. Failing to plan is planning to fail. To successfully launch a membership campaign, devote a month to planning activities and preparing a list of prospective members. Use the Site Survey Community Analysis information to give you ideas of about who to invite. And give your campaign a deadline—30 days from start to finish.

Remember - May is Kiwanis Membership Month - And emphasize both leadership and service!

## 2009-2010 Inter-Club Awards and Guidelines

*An official inter-club occurs when a minimum of two (2) members from clubs with membership of 20 or less, a minimum of three (3) members from clubs with membership between 21 and 30, or a minimum of four (4) members from clubs with 31 or more visit another club for a scheduled meeting or other event. If less than the minimum number of club members are present for an inter-club, one of the following current officers, if present at the event, can be used to complete the inter-club: International Officer or Trustee, K-T District Governor, K-T District Secretary, K-T District Lt. Governor and K-T District Committee Chair. Only one substitute for a club member may be used at any event. The period covered for the awards is October 1, 2009, through September 30, 2010*

*Every K-T Kiwanis club is eligible for these awards and is entered with the timely submittal of online monthly club reports. Reports are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month. The interclubs are to be noted in the Inter-club section of the monthly reports.*

*Extra Inter-club credit will be provided for:*

*An inter-club over 50 miles one way from the home club counts as a maximum of two*

*An inter-club of double the required minimum members or more counts a maximum of two*

*Special designated district occasions: Interclubs at Division Governor's Visit, Mid-Year Conference or Regional Mid-Year Conference, District Convention and International Convention count as a maximum of two.*

# Family Membership Patch for clubs who recruit five family members

By Joan Kleine, K-T Kiwanis First Lady

I am so excited about those of you have been working to bring family members into the Kiwanis family. We have awarded our first Family Member Patch to the Kiwanis Club of Irvine, Kentucky. It was presented on March 27 to Division 9 Lt. Governor Vickey Adams, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Irvine at the Regional One Conference held at the Clark County Extension Education Facility in Winchester, Kentucky.

Remember that any club that recruits 5 family members from anywhere to join the Kiwanis Family will be awarded the Family Member Patch. This includes members of K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Circle K, as well as Kiwanis clubs. Those who could qualify to become Kiwanis family members are aunts, uncles, children, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, husbands, wives, mothers, fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers.

If a K-Kids mom and dad become Kiwanians - that counts as two members toward a patch for the K-Kids School Banner. If his middle school brother becomes a member of Builder's Club - that will count as an additional member. If his older sister becomes a member of Key Club - that too becomes an additional member for his K-Kids Club. And if his eldest brother becomes a Circle K member at the University of Arizona - that also becomes an additional member for his K-Kids Club. And if that K-Kids mother joins after his father - that will count for the Kiwanis club as a new family member. That one K-Kid can generate enough Kiwanis family memberships to gain a patch for his club

Jim Mann, our Governor Elect has assured me he will continue awarding this patch during his term of office also, so if you get 3 Kiwanis family members this year and add an additional two Kiwanis family members next year you can still receive the patch for your banner.

Just e-mail Glen and me at [Kiene@chpl.net](mailto:Kiene@chpl.net) or the K-T Office at [ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org](mailto:ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org) to let us know the name of your club when you reach the goal of five Kiwanis family members for your club.

Let's build membership together!



## Upcoming Events

**Thurs, May 13, 2010** Division 5 Prayer Breakfast Sylvester Neal, Kiwanis International 2009-2010 President-Elect Keynote

**Thurs, Jun 24 - Sun, Jun 27, 2010** 95th Kiwanis International Convention Las Vegas Convention Center Las Vegas, NV

**Wed, Jul 7 - Sun, Jul 11, 2010** Key Club International Convention Memphis, Tennessee

**Thurs, Sep 9 to Sat, Sep 11, 2010** Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention Clarksville, TN



# DON RITTER

## CANDIDATE FOR 2010-2011 K-T DISTRICT GOVERNOR-ELECT



In response to a recent request, I am sharing for you to read, this statement of my vision for the Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District (K-T) and my qualifications for the office of governor-elect.

The person who accepts any Kiwanis office should be a person who intends to serve others. A person accepting a position in Kiwanis, as in any other service organization, is responsible for providing leadership that inspires growth, involvement and increased effectiveness.

In recent weeks we have been enjoying the entertainment and excitement of this thing called "March Madness." Even those who are not basketball fans know what that means. During the tournaments this year, there were abundant challenges, excitement, and enthusiasm for those who love the game. For me, basketball provides an analogy for the K-T Kiwanis District. In basketball, the participants of an effective, high quality, winning team cooperate by working together as a team. Their effectiveness is not centered on efforts to make individuals look important. Their effectiveness depends on important people doing important things together for a common good (in our case, children).

I think of the K-T Kiwanis District as a team, facing challenges with enthusiasm, one that experiences the excitement of achievement and growth. Regardless of what we do, we represent Kiwanis as members of a high quality, effective team. We are not individuals trying to impress others so we can be praised. K-T Kiwanians are special people who do special things for special people – children.

The K-T Kiwanis District is a democracy, and in a democracy we all have opportunities to be a part of our governance. We are on an organization of dedicated volunteers, working together to change the world one child and one community at a time, and together we determine how that will be done. It doesn't matter where we serve in Kiwanis; it doesn't matter whether we do or do not have a title. We are a democracy! We work together! We are a team!

It is not news to you and me that a fundamental goal for all Kiwanians must be growth. In every community I have visited I have met many who have never joined Kiwanis – and they should! We have been urged to do our part in recruiting new members and in building new clubs since we joined Kiwanis — and correctly so! There are many potential members out there who would probably agree with the mission of Kiwanis. It is up to us to persuade those folks with the truth of that statement. Without continued growth, Kiwanis will disappear and if Kiwanis disappears, what Kiwanis does for children will also disappear. I envision a Kentucky-Tennessee District that can and will grow!

An equally fundamental Kiwanis goal is service, and we want to provide quality service. That quality should increase and improve each time we learn to do what we do better than we did it before. We must do what we do because it works. We must avoid doing what we do only because "that's the way we have always done it." I do not support change just because someone says things change. But when something is not working or something else works better than the way we have been doing them, we must examine what we are doing and either change or discontinue the practice that isn't working.

Permit me to share a brief summary of the history of my personal, professional and Kiwanis life. The son of a tenant farmer, I grew up and received my public education in Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana. After attending Murray State College (now University) and Indiana University and serving in the United States Army, I became a professional educator and administrator in the public schools of Indiana and Kentucky. Eventually becoming a teacher and administrator in higher education, I retired from Western Kentucky University in 1998.

I am married, and my wife, Lucy, is a Registered Nurse by profession. She is retired from the Western Kentucky University Student Health Service. My wife and I have four children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

As we were socializing after a church meeting one evening in early 1971, three good friends without any preliminaries declared it was time for me to join Bowling Green Kiwanis. Their invitation was sudden, unexpected, and attention-getting. I said "yes" and have long since been grateful for the fortunate decision I made that evening.

My Kiwanis growth and increased involvement were gradual as, like others, I learned to be a Kiwanian while meeting my family and professional responsibilities. Serving on the Kiwanis board, working on Kiwanis projects, and enjoying the fellowship I found with Kiwanians, I have remained a Kiwanian for almost 40 years, and in those years I have recruited 27 Kiwanians.

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## Trout Unlimited—continued from page 1

The Trout Unlimited environmental education program is a national program that targets students in grades k-12, with lessons tailored to each educational level.

Students raise trout from eggs to fry, monitor tank water quality, engage in stream habitat study, learn to appreciate water resources, begin to foster a conservation ethic, and grow to understand ecosystems. The national program provides lesson plans for everything from science to social studies, “Understanding the nitrogen cycle” to “Components of a healthy habitat.” Ervin says the support for the project is indispensable.

“The Kiwanis Club takes care of everything. They do it all — they take care of equipment, treat the water and even provide the fish food. I just add it to the curriculum. It is awesome. It gives students interaction with adults.”

This year is the second for the TIC program, which was proposed by longtime trout fisherman and outdoor enthusiast, Kiwanian Fred Wicht.

This year, through the program sponsored by Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village, science students at Greenback School are learning about their world, and how to protect the environment.

Wicht says, “The students are fascinated with the hatching process. The teachers tell us the first thing their students do when they walk into the classroom is go and look at the fish tank. The water is also tested regularly for ammonia, pH, nitrates and nitrites. During the year each teacher tailors the program to fit his or her curricular needs. Therefore, each program is unique.”

TIC has interdisciplinary applications in science, social studies, mathematics, language arts, fine arts, and physical education.

Wicht says, “This project is unique for teachers and students because it is a school-year-long project providing hands-on, flexible, and exciting ways for students to learn. It is also great for the Kiwanis volunteers because it provides a structured and interactive way to help students and teachers.”

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Serving on and chairing committees and serving on the board, I agreed to serve as president of our club. Attending many conventions enhanced my understanding of and respect for the mission of Kiwanis in the world. In 1994 I was elected secretary-treasurer to the Bowling Green Kiwanis board, and with that position I also served as club bulletin editor. I served as secretary-treasurer/editor for 10 years, leaving that office to serve as lieutenant governor of Division 14.

It was at our lieutenant-governor training conference that I accepted a challenge from Governor Mark Garman and Past Governor and International President Bo Shafer. That challenge was to build a new club during my year as lieutenant-governor. With the support and hard work of a great club-building team from Tennessee and Kentucky Division 14 clubs, that’s what we did. The result? We chartered with nearly 30 new Kiwanians the Kiwanis Club of Franklin-Simpson in Franklin, Kentucky.

My Kiwanian friends have been kind, presenting me with a number of honors and awards. I have been fortunate in being able to be a George F. Hixson Fellow, a Ted Osborn Fellow, and a Shafer Fellow (pending). Since serving as lieutenant-governor I have served as chair of our club Directory Management Team and I have served as editor of the *Klarion*, our club news bulletin, and I have continued attending K-T conventions.

You and I together can move the Kentucky-Tennessee District even closer than it is to being a vibrant, exciting part of Kiwanis International – a growing district that is on the move. We recognize the need to prepare children for the future they will face. We will NOT be counted as people who do not care! I invite you to join me in being members of a growing, serving, enthusiastic and exciting district that will be among the best in Kiwanis International.

## Position Announcement

Position open: Executive Director of the KY-TN Kiwanis Foundation. Effective October 1, 2010. For more information, contact Norman Martin, nmartin@ebank.ky or normanconnie@windstream.net, phone #606-875-6150 or 606-678-5985.

# 2010 KT Foundation Scholarship Recipients

The Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District Foundation has announced the awarding of fifteen \$1,000 scholarships to the either the children or the grandchildren of KT Kiwanians. The awards will be sent directly to the school identified by the students as the institution they plan to attend. These funds will be applied to the recipients college or university expenses for the 2010-11 academic year.

Glen Kleine, the KT District Governor, complemented KT Kiwanians for generating so many applications. "We promoted this through the web site, the blogs, and direct emails and to all club presidents. I also urged Kiwanians at each of the Division meetings, Governor's Dinners, and at the first Regional meeting in Chattanooga (the only regional meeting prior to the January 31 deadline) to promote additional applicants," he said.

B. Wayne Sullivan, the Executive Director of the KT Foundation, said, "We were delighted with the 106 applicants this year." Last year there were only 16 applicants. "The quality of the applicants was extraordinarily high. It was evident that these students maintained high GPAs, provided significant service, and have promising futures. We are delighted to be able to help those students in realizing these futures."

Chelsea Burke a high school senior from the Henry Clay High School who plans to attend Eastern Kentucky University.

Jacob Brennenstuhl a high school senior from the Bowling Green High School who plans to attend Western Kentucky University.

Tyler Carner a junior at the University of Kentucky.

Emily Cook a junior at the Appalachian State University.

Megan Dorris a sophomore at the Clemson University

Mallory Gruenenfelder a high school senior from the Sweetwater TN High School who plans to attend Middle Tennessee State University.

Adam Hattabaugh a high school senior from the Cleveland TN High School who plans to attend University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Emily Henson a high school senior from the Clarksville TN Academy who plans to attend Austin Peay State University.

Emilie Hughes a freshman at the East Tennessee State University.

Derek Jones a sophomore at the East Tennessee State University.

Morgan Judish a sophomore at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

Mitchell Merritt a high school senior from the Upper Dublin PA High School who plans to attend Millersville University, Lancaster, PA.

Karly North a high school senior from the Hume-Fogg Academic High School who plans to attend University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Mallory Osborne a high school senior from the Daviess County High who plans to attend University of Kentucky.

Lona Katherine "Kate" Williams a high school senior from the Estill County High School who plans to attend either Eastern Kentucky University or the University of Kentucky.

"The 2010-11 recipients of the KT Scholarships will only be eligible for this one-time \$1,000 scholarship. Therefore any applicants who will be full-time students during the 2011-12 academic year, and who did not receive a scholarship this year, are encouraged to apply for a scholarship next year. The deadline will be January 31, 2011 and the application form will be available on our web site," Sullivan added.

# Key Clubbers put spotlight on service

by Gene Harrell

What do you get when you mix together approximately 460 energetic high school students and their advisors, one of the best motivational speakers in the nation, a boatload of talent, a penchant for service, and more enthusiasm than you can possibly imagine, all in one of the most scenic and historic towns in the South? The answer should be obvious. You have the 64th Annual Kentucky-Tennessee Key Club District Convention, which was held March 19-21, 2010 at the Marriott Cool Springs Hotel in Franklin, Tennessee.

In a year in which many Key Club District Convention registrations declined, the Kentucky-Tennessee District attendance was actually up over the past several years. This was due in part to the enthusiasm and hard work of the district board members charged with staging the convention, and to the excitement over the presence of the principal convention speaker, inspirational comedian Judson Laipply. Creator of "The Evolution of Dance," the #1 video of all times on YouTube.com, Judson has brought smiles to hundreds of millions of people all over the globe. His keynote, "Life Is Change," set the perfect tone for the opening of the convention, mixing laughter with lessons and inspiration with hilarity.

Also addressing the audience was the K-T District's own Abigail McKamey, who is serving as the 2009-2010 President of Key Club International. In a unique and entertaining way, she introduced her audience to what they would see and experience at this summer's Key Club International Convention in Memphis. She helped set the tone of excitement and expectation for the district convention which carried throughout the weekend.

At this year's convention, 13 different workshop sessions were presented, with subjects ranging from officer training, how to make meetings interesting, and how to work with our various service partners to more broad-based subjects such as how to dress for success and how to participate in Key Club and the Kiwanis Family beyond the local club level. There was indeed something for everyone, and participation was extremely high. Workshops were held on both Friday night and Saturday morning, and even the sleep-deprived students on Saturday morning were found to be actively involved.

Saturday morning at the convention was a real treat, for all of the attendees donned their purple convention T-shirts to attend workshops and the Convention Service Session. The idea of turning the Saturday morning general session into a convention-wide service project was first tried four years ago, also at Franklin, and also with Judson Laipply in charge. This year, Judson set out to teach the conventioners the first four minutes of his Evolution of Dance routine. Eventually, after a very fast hour of exuberant and highly energized dance instruction and practice, Judson guided the participants into working groups who then set out to custom decorate T-shirts on more than 100 stuffed animals which had been donated to the convention. Those gaily-decorated animals were delivered on Saturday afternoon to the Nashville Ronald McDonald House and to Vanderbilt Children's Hospital by a group of 10 students who were selected by lottery. The participation of Kiwanis Governor Glen Kleine and first Lady Joan Kleine, and Governor-Elect Jim Mann and future First Lady Dottie Mann enhanced this experience of delivering the gifts even more.

The final critical function of the Key Club District Convention is to elect the leaders who will head the district in the coming year. Each year the candidates face two evenings of rigorous caucusing, in which they present their ideas to the assembled Key Clubbers in 4 different divisions and answer questions about their qualifications and their plans from the students. On Sunday morning they appear before the House of Delegates for a final presentation before the votes are cast. The outstanding leaders chosen by the delegates to lead the Kentucky-Tennessee District for the 2010-2011 Key Club year are: Governor Blake Roller, from Sullivan Central High School in Blountville, Tennessee; Secretary Jessi Reed from Cocke County High School in Newport, Tennessee; and Treasurer Lane Northcutt from Franklin County High School in Frankfort, Kentucky. We have no doubt that these officers, along with the rest of the 2010-2011 District Board, will lead the K-T District to new heights of achievement this year.

The next big event on the Key Club calendar is the Key Club International Convention, which will be held July 7-11, 2010, in Memphis, Tennessee. Information concerning the Kentucky-Tennessee District Tour, which will run from July 6 through July 11, can be found on the Key Club District website – [www.KTKey.org](http://www.KTKey.org). Check it out, and plan to help your Key Clubbers attend. Next year's District Convention will be held March 11-13, 2011, at the Marriott Griffin Gate Resort in Lexington, Kentucky. Information on that event will be released later in the year.

There are currently 171 chartered Key Clubs in the Kentucky-Tennessee District, with 136 of these in "Active" status with Key Club International. Almost 5,000 K-T Key Club members have paid their dues for the current school year. This is a wonderful representation, but there is still room for a great deal of growth. Key Club membership in a well functioning club can be the ultimate high school experience for our students. Key Club sponsorship can also be the ultimate Kiwanis Family experience. Won't you do more to help our organization continue to be the largest and finest high school service organization in the entire world? You will never be sorry that you did!!!

# New KT Key Club K-T District Governor Greets Kiwanians

Hello KT Kiwanians,

I have the privilege of writing this article as the new KT District Key Club Governor for the 2010-2011 year. This is my third year in Key Club and the Kiwanis Family, and for the past year I have served as the Division 7 Lt. Governor in East Tennessee.

Through this office I was able to visit 12 of the Kiwanis Clubs in my area. Being able to visit many Kiwanis Clubs of all shapes and sizes, it allowed me to see the love and joy this organization brings. From pancake breakfasts with the Cosmo Kingsport Kiwanis to going Christmas Shopping alongside underprivileged kids with the Erwin Kiwanis, the Kiwanis Clubs really grew closer to my heart.

It is for that reason and many more that I plan on working even harder with this Kiwanis district throughout the next year and also build a closer bond with you and the Key Clubs of our district. I feel that the Kiwanis Clubs who sponsor the Key Clubs in their area are a great asset to each other. But we do have some clubs without a sponsoring Kiwanis Club or vice versa. We also have many Kiwanis Clubs who never hear from their Key Club. And I hope to improve in these areas to better both of our clubs as a whole and take them to new heights.

Dr. Gene Harrell, our Assistant District Administrator, said that the KT District Key Club Convention in March was full of excitement. Conventions and other club get to gathers really get Key Clubbers pumped and excited for their clubs. This also allows for a lot of fun and making new friends along the way.

I look forward to working with the KT Kiwanians this year and if I can ever be of assistance to anyone please feel free to contact me. Because together we can grow strong.

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## Pictures from Key club convention



# CHARLES HARRINGTON RECEIVES KEY CLUB GOLDEN KEY AWARD

Charles Harrington, a member of the Northside Knoxville Kiwanis Club, and a long-time Key Club sponsor and District Zone Chair, was presented the Kentucky-Tennessee Key Club District's "Golden Key Award" at the 2010 Key Club District Convention., held March 19-21 in Franklin, Tennessee. The Golden Key is the Key Club District's highest honor. It is intended to recognize individuals who have made significant and lasting contributions to the Key Club organization and to the service of youth as a whole over a long period of time. The award is not given every year and, in fact, had only been presented 6 times previously in the entire history of the K-T District. It is voted on by the Key Club District Board upon receipt of a formal, written nomination.

For almost 40 years, Charles has served as a sponsor, advisor, and friend to the Key Clubs at Central High School, Halls High School, and Fulton High School in Knoxville. During this same period of time, he has also served continuously on the Kiwanis District Committee on Key Clubs as a Zone Chair. He is described as an effective "behind the scenes" man who quietly makes things happen without anyone ever knowing that he is doing so. For many years he has made all arrangements for the Knoxville area bus which transports students from various schools to out of town district conventions. He has generously given of his time to meet with school officials, faculty advisors, Kiwanians, parents and students to further the advancement and the successful operation of Key Club. He has driven students from one end of the district to the other to attend Key Club functions, and has accompanied them to international events throughout the nation. He has been an unfailing resource for Key Club, willing to do whatever it takes to make the organization better, and to make it available to as many young people as possible. He has been a counselor, a mentor, and a friend to countless district and international officers, and has been a guiding light to club advisors and officers throughout the Knoxville area and the district as a whole.

As pointed out in his presentation, Charles Harrington is one of the pillars on which the Kentucky-Tennessee Key Club District has been built. The entire Kiwanis Family in the Kentucky-Tennessee District congratulates him on this award, and thanks him for all that he has done in the service of our youth.



# 2010 Kentucky-Tennessee District Key Club Convention Award Winners

Golden Key Award                      Charles Harrington, Northside Kiwanis, Knoxville, TN

Distinguished Clubs:                Blackman High School  
    Gordon Lee High School  
    Sullivan North High School  
    DuPont Manual High School

Diamond Level Distinguished Club:    Cosby High School

Achievement Platinum:            1<sup>st</sup> Place:            duPont Manual High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Blackman High School  
    3<sup>rd</sup> Place:            Bearden High School

Achievement Gold:                1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Clarksville Academy  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Lawrence County High School  
    3<sup>rd</sup> Place:            Coffee County Central High School

Achievement Silver:               1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Gordon Lee High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Sullivan North High School  
    3<sup>rd</sup> Place:            Cocke County High School

Achievement Bronze:              1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Cosby High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Ridgeland High School  
    3<sup>rd</sup> Place:            Volunteer High School

Single Service Platinum:         1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Seigel High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Bearden High School  
    3<sup>rd</sup> Place:            DuPont Manual High School

Single Service Gold:               1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Coffee County Central High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Clarksville Academy

Single Service Silver:              1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Sullivan North High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Gordon Lee High School

Single Service Bronze: 1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Cosby High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Volunteer High School

Major Emphasis Award:           1<sup>st</sup> Place:            Cosby High School  
    2<sup>nd</sup> Place:            Volunteer High School  
    3<sup>rd</sup> Place:            LaVergne High School

# 2010 Kentucky-Tennessee District Key Club Convention Award Winners (cont)

Talent Contest:           1<sup>st</sup> Place:       Jeremy & Jaci Robertson       Blackman H.S.  
                                  2<sup>nd</sup> Place:       Emily Meffert                    DuPont Manual H.S.  
                                  3<sup>rd</sup> Place:       Hana Henry                       Sequoyal H.S.

Oratorical Contest:       1<sup>st</sup> Place:       Grant Davis                    Cascade H.S.  
                                  2<sup>nd</sup> Place:       Dylan Thomas                 Cocke County H.S  
                                  3<sup>rd</sup> Place:       Patrick Berlik                 Dickson County H.S.

Impromptu Essay Contest: 1<sup>st</sup> Place:       Killian White                 Clarksville Academy  
                                  2<sup>nd</sup> Place:       Grace Stepanek               Blackman H.S.  
                                  3<sup>rd</sup> Place:       Erin Yeatts                    Blackman H.S.  
                                  Honorable Mention: Taylor Roberson       Blackman H.S.  
                                  Honorable Mention: Justin Jones               Coffee Co. Central

Most Outstanding Key Clubber:       Lane Northcutt   Franklin Co. H.S.

Best All Around Key Clubber:       Justin Barton                 Volunteer H.S.

Jim Boodry Leadership Award:       Blake Roller                 Sullivan Central H.S.

Keith Ashby Outstanding Lt. Governor: Caitlan Cole               DuPont Manual H.S.

Governor's Service Awards:           Blake Roller                 Sullivan Central H.S.  
  Adam Dunn                 Cosby H.S.

# 2010 Kentucky-Tennessee District Key Club Convention

## Award Winners (cont)

### Most Outstanding Club In Each Division:

Division 1:	Siegel High School
Division 2:	Dickson County High School
Division 3:	Gordon Lee High School
Division 4:	Clinton High School
Division 5a:	Bearden High School
Division 5b:	Cocke County High School
Division 7:	Sullivan Central High School
Division 8:	Paul G. Blazer High School
Division 10-11:	Bryan Station High School
Division 12:	duPont Manual High School
Division 14:	Barren County High School
Division 15:	Clarksville Academy

Scrapbook (Traditional):           1<sup>st</sup> Place:       Cosby High School  
   2<sup>nd</sup> Place:       Bearden High School

Scrapbook (Non Traditional):       1<sup>st</sup> Place:       Blackman High School  
   2<sup>nd</sup> Place:       Siegel High School

Club Video Contest:                1<sup>st</sup> Place:       Bearden High School  
   2<sup>nd</sup> Place:       Clarksville Academy  
   3<sup>rd</sup> Place:       Bryan Station High School

Kiwanis Family Award:           Cocke County High School

Life's A Highway Travel Award: Middlesboro High School

Outstanding Club President:       Kristin Woodward       Siegel High School

Outstanding Club Secretary:       McKenzie Walton       Halls High School

Outstanding Faculty Advisor:       Warren Johnson       Blackman High School

Outstanding Kiwanis Advisor:    Audrey Jones           Cosby High School

### Kiwanis International Foundation

Matching Scholarship:           Matthew Alsup   Clarksville Academy  
   Abigail McKamey   Lawrence County H.S.  
   Maria Campbell Siegel High School

### K-T District Foundation

Ira R. Gladson Scholarship:       Alex Styer           Clarksville Academy

Andy Hutson Scholarship:       Abigail McKamey   Lawrence County H.S.