

# Kiwanis

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**Our Vision:** Carolinas 18,000 Members

**Our Goal:** To Grow Kiwanis Service

**The Objectives:**

- Take Clubs from Good to Great
- Enrich the Member's Experience...  
Excellent Clubs & Excellent Service!
- Retain Members
- Build and Grow New Clubs



Kiwanian Brandon Calhoun's children tell Santa their Christmas wishes.

I invite you to visit, [www.theinnerchristmasmovie.com](http://www.theinnerchristmasmovie.com)

May your days be merry and bright. --Leah Moretz

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## February

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MidYear Conf.  
& Int'l Pres. Visit  
Myrtle Beach, SC

29-March 2

Circle K District  
Convention  
Myrtle Beach, SC

## March

28-30

Circle K LSSP

## April

5

Kiwanis  
One Day

## June

26-29

Int'l Convention  
Orlando, FL

## July

9-13

Key Club Int'l  
Convention  
Denver, CO

## August

6-9

Circle K  
Int'l Convention  
Denver, CO

22-24

District  
Convention  
Winston-Salem

## A Gift to Crisis Control



By *Sophie Hollis and Emma Wilbur*, Co-chairmen for Arts Based Elementary School K-Kids Publications Committee

Throughout the month of November and into the month of December, the young scholars of the Arts Based Elementary School collected canned food.

The food will help save the lives of people served by Crisis Control Ministries. Their goal was to reach 1,000 cans before December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Some members, such as Spencer and Trey Sauers, were trying to bring in 300 cans between the two of them. With a generous donation from their Kiwanis advisor, Mr. Roby Walls, the club moved toward its goal. The K-Kids officers and Ms. Jan Adams, their advisor, have all brought in cans. "Whether we reach our goal or not, we have still helped control hunger," they stated. (Final total of cans collected: 1,085!)



Greenville Eastside Kiwanis sponsored "Breakfast with Santa" for Family Connection Greenville for the third year. Families of children with special needs came for a pancake breakfast and a visit with Santa. Fifteen volunteers served pancakes, cleaned tables and took "Santa pictures".

## Angier K-Kids Play Santa

One of the first projects in which the newly formed Angier Elementary K-Kids participated, was in the building an "Angel Tree" so that EVERYONE in the community would have a Merry Christmas.

The project was off and running from the word GO, and the tree ended up with 426 presents purchased for 15 families including each member of the family from dad to baby. Not only was the Angier Kiwanis Club a leader in the project, but it mushroomed to include all citizens of the town, all local churches, and included a joint effort with local Rotary Club.

Mrs. Amy Jacobs, Club sponsor and school guidance counselor, has truly set the pace for her 36 members strong in allowing them to select projects that are building leadership and developing great civic pride to a very industrious small community.

Community members are very proud of the new K-Kids club and are working with Mrs. Jacobs and the school principal to demonstrate that "one can make a difference" and "many working together can make a greater difference." Division 11 Lt. Governor Mack McLeod has supported and lauded the club for the great work that it is doing and is always quick to recognize the superb leadership of the club and school.



## Pawleys Island Kiwanis Collects Teddy Bears for Kids



The Kiwanis Club of Pawleys Island collected over 150 Teddy Bears for the Georgetown County Sheriff's Department during the second annual Round Up.

These stuffed animals are placed in the trunks of the patrol cars and used by deputies in traumatic situations involving children. They are also used by the Child Advocate in child abuse and other cases involving children.

## New Circle K Chartered

Circle K in the Carolinas has stepped up its capacity for service, adding another club at Eastern Carolina University. The new ECU Circle K held its chartering ceremony on Saturday, December 1, 2007 in the student center. The new club confirmed its commitment to the tenants of Circle K, pledging to pursue service, leadership and fellowship on their campus and beyond.



District Administrator Kathleen Marsocci commented on how the new Circle K'ers were not just becoming members of an on-campus service club, but instead were becoming part of a larger Circle K District and an entire Kiwanis Family. She also emphasized that service does not end with graduation but instead can last a lifetime. "As you start, or in some cases continue your journey in the Kiwanis Family, I would like for you to think of it as a journey that can take you places you've never before dreamed, help people you may never know, and change the world in ways future generations will look back on in awe," she said. "We always hear how high school and college are the best years of your life. In the Kiwanis Family, every day of service can be the best day of your life."

# Gifts given; Gifts received:

## Stories for your use

Kiwanis International now offers "[Ready-to-Run](#)" Kiwanis stories your club or division can use for its publications. Topics vary. One document includes inspiring quotations. Another reports on Kiwanis International's successful campaign against iodine deficiency disorders. And another provides marketing and public relations suggestions. Cut and paste this link into your web-browser: <http://community.kiwanisone.org/files/folders/newsletters/default.aspx?PageIndex=2>

## Boys and Girls Home Committee to be formed:

The newly appointed Boys and Girls Home Committee Chair, Gary Cooper seeks Kiwanians to serve with him on the Boys and Girls Home committee. Are you interested in truly making a difference in someone's life? Committee Members will help promote the Boys and Girls home within their division as well as help plan a Kiwanis Day at the home. Please contact Gary if you would like to be a committee member: [coop@all-americanmortgage.com](mailto:coop@all-americanmortgage.com)



## Monthly Report System Allows Viewing of Club Roster

Club Secretaries can now view their club roster in the monthly reporting system, [www.kiwanisportal.com](http://www.kiwanisportal.com). Once logged on, in the upper left-hand corner of the screen is the word "Secretary". Click on it and a drop-down menu appears. Choose "View Member List from KI".

## Visit a website, click a button, give a child a book.

[www.theliteracysite.com](http://www.theliteracysite.com) is running a campaign to donate 45,134 books to children before the end of the year. Right now, each click is worth two books.


## Websites to visit for fun and spirituality:

- 1) <http://familyfun.go.com/arts-and-crafts/season/minisite/christmas-main/>
- 2) [www.gratefulness.org](http://www.gratefulness.org)
- 3) <http://gpsinformation.info/main/merryxmas.swf>
- 4) [www.innerchristmas.com](http://www.innerchristmas.com)
- 5) [http://www.beliefnet.com/story/119/story\\_11959\\_1.html?WT.mc\\_id=NL54](http://www.beliefnet.com/story/119/story_11959_1.html?WT.mc_id=NL54)
- 6) [http://www.beliefnet.com/story/160/story\\_16073\\_1.html?WT.mc\\_id=NL54](http://www.beliefnet.com/story/160/story_16073_1.html?WT.mc_id=NL54)

## Help us Close the Book on 2007!

From now until the end of the year, First Book & premier sponsor Pi Beta Phi are doubling the value of your click.

Help us raise 45,134 books this month in order to reach our goal of 300,000 books total for 2007!

63% of the goal reached 



Goal:  
45,134

## District Office Closed December 24-January 1

As Christmas approaches, so does the birth of my first niece. Yesterday my sister called with false labor pains! What a wake-up call! (She is due New Year's Eve.) I "woke-up" on many levels; here are my insights that relate to Kiwanis:

- 1) It is a time of new beginnings. As Kiwanians, how can we make our club a little more fresh and new?
- 2) Those lives we touch in Kiwanis are precious, just like vulnerable new born babies. Kiwanians are like parents, ever supporting our needy children.
- 3) Ready or not, life is going to happen! Is your club ready to help with the "surprises" in your community?
- 4) Does your club celebrate the joy it helps create?

The picture to the left is my daughter Siah 2 ½ years ago when she was a new-born. If you call and I don't answer the phone between now and Friday, you'll know I'm racing to WV to be a part of a new beginning!

Merry Christmas everyone! -- Leah Moretz, District Administrative Secretary

