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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



The important thing is not so much that every child should be taught, as that every child should be given the wish to learn. — John Lubbock

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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

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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

86 Local Children Receive New Shoes Through Civic/School Partnership



Volunteers from the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro line the floor fitting Falkener students with new shoes as part of the Shoes for Children campaign.

the way it touches lives in this community, and the children are so grateful."

"This is a way of giving forward, and it warms the heart to see these gifts to children who may not be able to help themselves. This program also offers these students an opportunity to see new faces with a smile and the chance to say thanks for these gifts to us" notes Falkener Principal Edwina Monroe. Such civic/business partnerships, says Monroe, are vitally important to a school such as Falkener, providing needed assistance not always readily available. "We need more businesses to come and to sow a seed," she adds. The Shoes for Children program is in its second year, notes Neese. "You can credit Dick Kern (immediate past president of the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro) for thinking this up; I'm just the servant," she says. Money for the shoe program comes directly from club members, many of them donating anonymously. More than \$900 was raised for this year's program, Neese says, and since several Kiwanians tutor at Falkener, a relationship with the school already existed. Dr. Pat Wallace, Falkener's social worker, helped to identify children who could benefit from new shoes, adds Neese.

GREENSBORO, NC—January 16, 2008

On the count of three, Courtney Rodriguez, Joshua Furchess and Diego Esparza raced across the gym at W.C. Falkener Elementary School. With smiles almost as big as the gym itself, these pre-kindergartners ran with a different spring in their step, courtesy of brand-new shoes provided by the Kiwanis Club of Greensboro.

Eighty-six deserving students at Falkener Elementary were fitted with new shoes at the school January 8-11. With the help of a club volunteer, each child received a new pair of socks—donated by Kiwanian Bill Hervey—and a personal fitting of his or her own pair of shoes. The shoes left smiles not only on the students but school administrators and club members as well. "This program has absolutely touched my heart," notes Andrea Neese, chairperson of the Kiwanis Hands-On Committee, which coordinates the Shoes for Children campaign. "For some of these children, this could be the first pair of brand-new shoes in their lives. Some are wearing second- or third-generation shoes from their older siblings, and some don't even have socks. I love this program for

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Helping with the fittings, Dr. Wallace made certain that LaRoss Nickerson received a little added attention when he entered the gym for his new shoes. After being seated, Neese presented Nickerson with a pair of girl's pink shoes—a color she thought he would love.

Smiling and burying his head in his hands at the prank, Nickerson then grinned broadly when he tried on the pair of stylish tennis shoes actually intended for him. As evidenced by Neese and all those around, smiles were certainly "fitting" throughout the day.



LaRoss Nickerson, a student at W.C. Falkener Elementary School, reacts when Andrea Neese, chairperson of the Kiwanis Shoes for Children campaign, presents him with a pair of girl's pink shoes—a prank planned by Dr. Pat Wallace, the school's social worker.

Falkener Elementary students reacts as volunteer Charles Neese prepares to fit a shoe.



Plan Ahead

(Information taken from Kiwanis Inciter E-Newsletter. Follow this link for more information and to subscribe:

<https://www.kiwanisone.org/Pages/Resources/default.aspx?PageID=2>

To assist program directors in scheduling timely speakers, please take note of these dates:

February 1-March 3

- **Read Around the World**—This event celebrates one-on-one reading to children. Your February KIWANIS magazine will include a feature article about how clubs have expanded their Read Around the World programs to ensure an enduring impact on children in their communities. For Read Around the World information, contact Kiwanis International, Branded Programs; phone, 800-875-8755, x211; e-mail, service@kiwanis.org; Web site, <http://www.kiwanis.org/ServiceProjects/ReadAroundtheWorld/tabid/284/Default.aspx>



April 5

- **Kiwanis One Day**—The objective of Kiwanis One Day is to unite all Kiwanis family members around the globe with hands-on service projects. Follow the step-by-step game plan found online at www.kiwanis.org/service/oneday.asp. Call 1-800-KIWANIS, ext. 211 or e-mail service@kiwanis.org for questions.



April 20-April 26

- **Skip-a-Meal Week**—Kiwanis-family members and nonmembers who donate the cost equivalent of just one meal help fund numerous programs that directly benefit children. The program benefits the Kiwanis Children's Fund, sponsored by the Kiwanis International Foundation. For information, contact the Kiwanis International Foundation, 3636 Woodview Trace, Indianapolis, Indiana 46268; phone, 317-875-8755, x157 or 800-KIWANIS, x157; Web site, kif.kiwanis.org/.

Pin for Webster James' Campaign

The Past Lt. Governors Council will be selling at the MidYear Conference in Myrtle Beach a special edition of a lapel pin for Webster James' Campaign for Vice President of Kiwanis International. There will only be 200 pins available. The cost will be \$5 per pin and will be for sale at the past Lt. Governors Merchandise Table while supplies last.

New Kiwanis District Shirt Available at MidYear Conference

The new Kiwanis District shirt will be available February 1 and 2 at the MidYear conference. If you plan on going to the International Convention in Orlando this coming June, this shirt is a must for you! It's a new look, color and design. The cost is \$35 (ladies or mens).

If you want to make sure you get the correct size, email Harold Garner and he will bring your shirt to the MidYear conference. For those who gave Harold your shirt-size at the District Convention in August, he will have them available for you at the MidYear conference as well.

If you cannot make it to Myrtle Beach, and someone from your club is attending, give them your size and money and ask them to pick up your order! Or, if all else fails, Harold will mail you a shirt.

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Calling All Painters!

Looking for a few extra volunteer hours?

The Kiwanis Cottage at the Boys and Girls Home of Lake Waccamaw is in much need of interior painting.

Contact: Tom Lamont 910-646-3083 ext. 241
Or
Gary Cooper 910-484-4242 ext. 228

Over the last several months, Kiwanis Clubs, Key Clubs, and Circle K Clubs may have received a notice from the IRS regarding the electronic filing of Form 990-N e-postcard. Many of our clubs have questions regarding who qualifies for this new filing requirement and when the filing is due.

Below are the links to the Kiwanis, Circle K and Key Club websites with information related to this new IRS filing requirement that clubs must follow for the 2007-08 administrative year and each year thereafter.

It should be noted that this filing of Form 990-N is new for clubs that have gross receipts \$25,000 or less and the initial filing due date is February 15, 2009. The letter on each of the organizations websites has two links to the IRS website providing further information.

http://community.kiwanisone.org/blogs/kiwanis_public_news/archive/2008/01/03/warning-don-t-throw-away-tax-exempt-status.aspx

<http://www.circlek.org/news/article.asp?id=290>

<http://www.keyclub.org/news/article.asp?id=2230>



A Great Kiwanis Idea:

The Southport-Oak Island Kiwanis Club hosts an annual New Member's Open House where guests are invited to see how they serve Brunswick County. Each committee sets up story boards explaining their projects.