

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



If you can't hold children in your arms, hold them in your heart. — Clara McBride Hale

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February

1- March 3

Read
Around
the World

29-March 2

Circle K District
Convention
Myrtle Beach, SC

March

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Six Cents
Circle K
Initiative

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

Builders Go Green



Builders Clubbers take a break from cleaning flower beds to pose.

around the school and planted bulbs for spring. The club also stages an annual talent show to raise money, such as the \$300 it donated to Relay for life.

What are your Service Leadership Programs up to? Send pictures and your story to: districtoffice@carolinakiwanis.org.

This photo and story were taken from the February Edition of *Builders Bloc*, the official publication for Builders Club Members.

The February editions of [Builders Bloc](#) and [K-Kid Zone](#), available now exclusively online, celebrate the core value of leadership. The electronic publications, definite must-reads for youth and adults alike, also shine the service spotlight on K-Kids and Builders Clubs in action, and provide important information on this year's speech, essay, scrapbook, art, and leadership contests. Clicking on the names of the publications above will take you to a webpage to download them for free.

*Leadership is intelligence,
humaneness and courage. -Sun Tzu*



April 5 and Kiwanis One Day are fast approaching. Many clubs and divisions have projects lined up. My division is planning a huge blood drive, while the Greensboro club is planning a project with the Asheboro Zoo. Another division has a clean up project planned with a recycling program. What do you have planned? There is still time so get those projects planned!



Tell us what your plans are! Email me and the district office: clydebenny@aol.com, and (districtoffice@carolinakiwanis.org)!

Clyde Alexander

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.

Of course there is business to be done in Orlando! What? You think everyone dresses up in a mouse suit every day?



Planning a vacation or a trip to the Kiwanis International convention can add up. To ease the wear-and-tear on your wallet, try some of these tips:

1. Take advantage of Early-Bird Registration by registering before April 25.
2. Book your convention hotel room through Kiwanis to secure major discounts at first-class hotels.
3. Bring refillable water bottles--save on drinks at the parks. It'll come in handy at the convention as well!
4. Buy the multi-day, multi-park passes if you plan to go to the famous parks in Orlando.
5. Bring your own stroller/wheelchair. If you're driving, and space is not an issue, bring your own wheelchair or stroller for the kiddies. Renting one at the parks can cost as much as \$10 a day.
6. NEVER head to Florida—or any vacation, for that matter—without coupons. It's simple to find cost-saving coupons at almost any Florida Web site. Find special attraction [discount tickets](#) through the Orange County Convention Center.
7. If you're driving, bring a cooler stocked with goodies—don't forget the bread and peanut butter.
8. Better yet—take a bus trip! Division 17 is organizing a bus trip from Greenville, NC and back. The group will leave Wednesday, June 25 and will come back Sunday, June 29. Roughly, the cost would be \$125 per person before food and drinks. They need at least 44 people to make this work. Contact Lt. Governor-Elect Bruce Gray if you're interested! H) 252-746-7744 C) 252-714-5031 bdgray@embarqmail.com

Orlando International Convention Registration – NOW LIVE ONLINE

Registration for the 2008 Kiwanis International Convention is now live online. Please share this link with your fellow club members to encourage early registration:

<https://www.kiwanisone.org/memberresources/convention/convreg2008.aspx>

The registration and housing forms, along with a brochure containing information about the convention, will be sent to club secretaries this week.



Cool beans: Experience Jamaica and help kids!

You are invited to join Kiwanis International President Dave Curry and First Lady Eva for a [humanitarian trip](#) to Jamaica, September 17-21. Ambassadors for Children (AFC) is coordinating the tour. A not-for-profit organization, AFC—like Kiwanis—is dedicated to serving children around the world.

Though Jamaica is a tropical paradise in the Caribbean, it is hardly a “paradise” for many of those who live there, especially children. In addition to experiencing paradise and beach time in the afternoons, voyagers will spend mornings working with Ambassadors on community-development projects, including helping to assemble much-needed playgrounds, improving libraries, and painting schools.

Itinerary: Day 1: Arrive in Montego Bay and transfer to waterfront hotel in Negril. Relax on the island until the AFC Welcome Dinner and Orientation in the evening.

Day 2: After breakfast, volunteer with AFC on local community development projects. Help assemble much needed playgrounds, work on improving local libraries, paint schools, and interact one-on-one with the local children. Lunch provided on site. Enjoy a free afternoon on the beach and the evening to try out local Jamaican nightlife.

Day 3: Continue working on volunteer projects after breakfast. Lunch provided on site. Enjoy a free afternoon on the beach and a group dinner arranged with local Kiwanians.

Day 4: Experience the adventure side of Jamaica by visiting local waterfalls and hiking in the mountains. AFC Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant in the evening.

Day 5: AFC programs ends after breakfast. Transfer to Montego Bay for your flight home.

Prices: Quad: \$849 Triple: \$869 Double: \$899 Single: \$999
\$500 deposit due upon booking, balance 90 days prior to departure.

Documents Needed: Passport

Accommodations: Waterfront Accommodations. Volunteers will stay in unique guesthouses and lodges.

Intensity: Culture Shock - Jamaicans take their time doing everything, so leave your watch behind and relax!

Physical Demands - Long bus rides, heat, and the occasional walk expected--nothing overly demanding.

Food and Drink - Try the Jamaican Jerk Chicken or a patty on the beach! Local seafood and international cuisine is available as well. Only drink bottled water.

Volunteer Work - Volunteers can expect to be working on community development projects ranging from light construction and painting to planting trees!

Inclusions: 4 nights accommodations
Breakfast daily, 2 lunches, 3 dinners
Adventure Tour
Airport Transfers
In-Country Transfers
Coordination of all volunteer work
Services of an AFC Trip Leader
Donation to AFC Partner

Other Information: Most major airlines service Jamaica from the US. Fly into and out of Montego Bay!

Click on this link and [Register For This Trip](#)

For airfare, please visit [TravelingWithAPurpose.com](#). All itineraries and accommodations are subject to change at the discretion of AFC. For Travel Insurance, contact [Travelex](#) at (800) 228-9792.

Above all, let children know you love them, no matter what.

- Angela Stewart 3