

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



Happy Thanksgiving



We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures.

— Thornton Wilder

Statesville Kiwanis Delivers Dictionaries



Article first published in Statesville Record & Landmark by Chyna Broadnax

When Ethan Mitzel realized he was receiving his very own brand new dictionary, he could hardly contain his excitement.

He began clapping his hands and moving in his chair. Ethan and about 80 other third-graders at Harmony Elementary School received a special treat from the Statesville Kiwanis Club on Thursday.

For the next three weeks [Statesville Kiwanis] will be handing out dictionaries to

every third-grader in Iredell-Statesville schools. The group will visit every elementary school except Troutman Elementary.

"I don't use dictionaries, but I'll use this one to learn some new words," nine-year-old Ethan said.

As Emily Johnson and two other Kiwanis members entered the classrooms and revealed the purpose of their visit, students were overcome with excitement. Upon receiving their own dictionary, many began writing their names in the books and anxiously flipping through the pages. *A Students Dictionary* contains information on the Declaration of Independence, United States Constitution, maps of the seven continents, presidential biographies, and facts about the solar system. Kiwanis is able to distribute the texts through The Dictionary Project, a nonprofit organization in Charleston, SC.

Before the last dictionary is handed out, [Statesville Kiwanis] will have given nearly 1,700 dictionaries to students and teachers.

"Third-graders are right on the brink of higher learning, and dictionary skills are a good one to have," Johnson said.

The parent-teacher organization at each school pays for half of the cost and Kiwanis covers the other half. The club has spend more than \$1,200 on the project. Proceeds from the Iredell County Fair have contributed to that cost, according to Johnson. This is the second year Kiwanis has participated in this program because helping shape children is part of its mission, she said. "Our defining statement is to change the world one child, and one community at a time. Education is the way to start changing a child," she said.

After the books were handed out, third-grade teacher Ramona Roberts explained to her students how to use the dictionary. She said the new books are a great addition to the dozen dictionaries the students have to share. "It gives them ownership of something," she said. "It's beneficial for every child to have their own because it helps them pronounce words and with their spelling and writing."

Student Payton Ward said, "We're going to learn some new words and do some cool stuff." Payton said she will take good care of her new book and will use it for reading, vocabulary and homework assignments. She will not be the only one reaping benefits of the dictionary. "I'm really glad I can help my family when they need a word," the eight-year-old said. "I get to learn all the words in the whole wide world."

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November
Kiwanis Family
Month

February
1-2: 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

Kiwanis One Day

On Thanksgiving day, we give thanks for all the joys of life and for all the many friends and family who have an impact up us. We will enjoy a day of sharing and if you are like my family a day of feasting – perhaps too much feasting.

Christmas follows close behind and we celebrate the gift of life through Jesus Christ. It is a day of worship for many of us, but it is also a day for sharing gifts with our children and loved ones. We find great pleasure in seeing the joy of a gift received and feel the warmth of satisfaction in making someone else happy.

Now, fast forward to April 5, 2008 when we will have the pleasure of serving our communities on Kiwanis One Day of Service. Here is an opportunity to again give thanks for the joy of life and to share the gift of service to others. Encourage your clubs to begin planning now for Kiwanis One Day; many clubs already have plans in place but there are others that need a little encouragement. You are the key to this one great worldwide day of service. For more information, see the fact sheet at the end of this bulletin, and go to www.kiwanis.org/service/oneday.asp. Together we can make a difference. Thank you for what you do for the children of your community,

Clyde Alexander
Greenville, NC



How great is your club?

KIWANIS magazine is looking for clubs that excel in all of the following areas:

- Consistent growth over the past 5 years.
- Generous giving.
- Effective service
- Fellowship.

If you know a club that qualifies, email magazine@kiwanis.org your nomination, describing how the club excels in each of the four categories.

Deadline for nominations is December 31, 2007.



Great Idea for Christmas

Well, last week's idea to send a Christmas card to an anonymous soldier turned out not to work. However, I did receive a link from Aktion Club Administrator Jack Hatfield, from Columbia, SC about a group where you can get Thank You and Get Well cards for Soldiers: www.operationthankyou.org. This site recommends you contact a local military base for addresses. However, you can send the cards back to them and they will send them.

Governor's Regional Visits

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Save the date!

Divisions	Date
1-3, 22, 25 & 27	March 1, 2008
4-7 & 23	January 26, 2008
8, 9, 12, 13 & 28	February 23, 2008
10, 11 & 14	November 17, 2007
15 - 18 & 26	January 12, 2008
20, 21 & 24	November 10, 2007



One can make a difference!

www.carolinakiwanis.org

Go from Good to Great!

Plan to Attend!

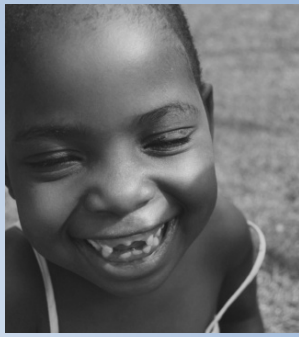
Based on our successful Growth Summit, this meeting focuses on taking your club from good to great, and all Kiwanians are invited.

Registration 9:00 am
Meeting: 9:30am - 3:30 pm
Lunch Included!

Contact your Lt. Governor for more information!

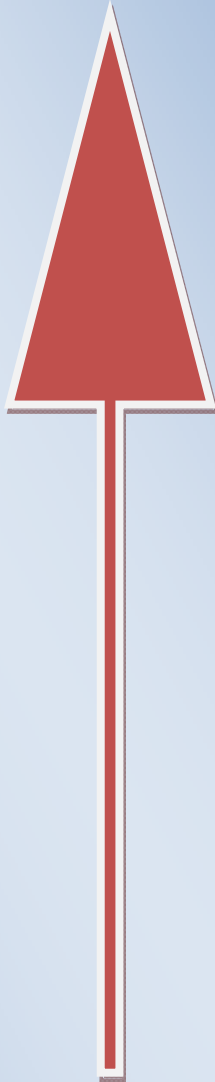


**CAROLINAS
18,000**



To reach our goal of 18,000 members by 2015, we need to grow by approximately 1125 members per year – that would put us at about 10,000 members on 9/30/08. An updated number will be published each month in CDNews for us to see where we stand.

Division	9/30/2007	10/31/2007
1	243	241
2	431	426
3	227	227
4	236	239
5	329	330
6	233	229
7	360	352
8	829	829
9	235	235
10	441	432
11	600	596
12	352	352
13	293	292
14	368	357
15	281	281
16	129	125
17	431	433
18	285	282
19	10	10
20	526	521
21	386	378
22	243	234
23	385	387
24	249	233
25	232	228
26	344	347
27	137	135
28	90	91
	8905	8822



HELP NEEDED!

The Carolinas District Office seeks independent contractor to work 5-10 hours per week on data entry.

Specifically, the district needs help with upkeep on officer information, club paperwork entries, and replying to membership information forms.

Computer experience with web-browsers, Microsoft Access, Excel and Word a plus.

Kiwanis knowledge important.

Please send resume to:
Carolinas District Office
7378 Junaluska Rd., Boone, NC 28607

or email it to:
districtoffice@carolinakiwanis.org

Proposed amendments, resolutions due early

As a reminder:
 All proposed Bylaws amendments and resolutions must be received at the International Office by **February 15**.
 Email dobrian@kiwanis.org for more information about proposing Bylaws amendments or resolutions.

Annual Report Information

Each year Kiwanis clubs are requested to complete an annual club report to share their accomplishments with Kiwanis International. Answering the questions will help us better serve clubs and members, strengthen the Kiwanis brand, and improve our capacity to provide critical resources and tools for clubs. All clubs that submit the report will be considered for the 2006-07 Achievement Awards (distinguished club award).

Clubs may access the annual club report at www.kiwanisone.org/annualclubreport

Kiwanis clubs using the KiwanisOne portal will have their annual club report information automatically compiled for them. These clubs are asked to complete a review of their information, as well as answer a few additional questions. All other clubs will be mailed a printed version of the annual club report. Clubs that receive a printed version of the report are still encouraged to complete the report online at the link listed above. A quick registration process will be requested before getting started.

All clubs are encouraged to complete the report by November 30, 2007.



Kiwanis One Day Fact Sheet

ABOUT THE DAY

- The second annual Kiwanis One Day will take place on April 5, 2008. Kiwanis One Day will unite Kiwanis family members from around the globe and their communities in a dedicated day of action devoted to hands-on community service projects.
- Kiwanis One Day was created to unite the Kiwanis family and their communities in the spirit of service and camaraderie to make an immediate and measurable impact on communities around the world.
- The special day of service is an annual event that will seek to secure participation from the 600,000 Kiwanis family members involved in Kiwanis, Circle K, Key Club, Builder's Club, Aktion Club, K-Kids and Kiwanis Junior in more than 90 countries around the world.
- Kiwanis members in communities around the world will identify local community service projects that are relevant to their area and local needs.
 - For example, activities might include anything from rebuilding villages, constructing classrooms and organizing community talent shows to raking leaves, cleaning up parks, providing maintenance, gardening, painting, etc.

GLOBAL CONTRIBUTION

- More than 600,000 Kiwanis family members are expected to participate in service projects in their communities on Kiwanis One Day. By committing a few hours each on this dedicated day of service, Kiwanians will be contributing to more than 1 million global service hours in just one day!
- If 600,000 volunteers donate their time to communities on Kiwanis One Day, the value of their volunteer hours will represent over \$17 million USD.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- Members of Kiwanis or the general public can get involved in Kiwanis One day by signing up at **[insert local Web site or club contact information]**, and a step-by-step action plan for Kiwanis One Day can be found online at www.kiwanis.org/service/oneday.asp.
- The Web site provides information on how to form a committee, who to involve, project ideas, ways to motivate and recruit members, and incentives to get others involved.

ABOUT KIWANIS

- Kiwanis International is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time
- Kiwanis comprises 600,000 adult and youth members in 96 nations and geographic areas that serve children and communities worldwide
- Kiwanis members are service-minded men and women united in their commitment to and compassion for others
- The Kiwanis family dedicates more than 19 million volunteer hours and invests more than US\$100 million annually in projects that strengthen communities and serve children.
- Kiwanians, through guidance and example, work to prepare today's children to be tomorrow's citizens.
- Any community need can become a Kiwanis service project, especially the needs of children.

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