All the News that is fit to print and then some.... Sept. 17, 2024 Newsletter Volume 3 Issue No. 23



42 members attended our September 17th meeting. Karen Peterson joined us again and is becoming a member! Nancy Stoker, a friend of Katey Bailey, was also a guest. We hope Nancy considers joining our Kiwanis Family. Thank you Little Italy for another good meal.

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Kevin #1 (Soon to be Immediate Past President) read: A thank you note from the Tellico Village Computer Club, acknowledging our contribution.

Susan Fox, Director Lenoir City Family Resource Center, thanked us for donations to the Let's Talk Program and the Kindergarten supplies.

The Buddy Bench Project keeps on growing. Kevin #1 delivered 3 benches on Sept. 12th. 3 more benches, and 3 tables are in the works for Habitat for Humanity.

Beth Mouse - GetYourSelfie2School Campaign was launched by the Family Resource Centers of Lenoir City & Loudon County Schools, and began with the 2023 school year. Its purpose was to increase school attendance countywide. Cindy Purdy, Director, Loudon County Schools FRC gave statistics on the campaign's success.

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Cindy Purdy asked for our help the next few weeks. Beth relayed volunteers are needed to visit certain schools, on specific dates count staff cars with GetYourSelfie2School stickers. A snow cone machine will be awarded to the school with the highest number of stickers.

Kevin #1 – Oct. 1st is deadline to pay your Annual Dues. Please remember to send in your payment as soon as possible. Contact our treasurer Larry Dill: <u>cpalarry@bellsouth.net</u> **Ken Austin** – Following the Quarterly Commodity Food Delivery, Ken was contact by Elon Musk. Elon was very impressed with the work performed by our team. When Elon opens a distribution center in TN, he wants to hire our members for assembly work.

On a separate note, Ken is suffering from "Senior Adulthood, facing his 4th childhood". He is stepping down as Media Corespondent; he is the liaison with The Connection and other news outlets. Interested in this important role, contact Ken: <u>kaustinmedia@aol.com</u> or Angie: <u>shorttimer65@gmail.com</u>

Sunshine Coordinator Update: David Coulter is going to step in as Sunshine Coordinator. When Louise is feeling better and her back issues are resolved, she will re-take the position of Sunshine Coordinator.



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Ladies Tea at The Neighborhood - Tues, Sept. 24th - *Page 12* STAR Riding Academy Tour – Tuesday, Sept. 24th Phil Rothrock – Next Inter-Club is with the Kiwanis Club of Athens on Friday, September 27th - *Page 13*

Kevin Flanagan - Pancake Breakfast is Saturday, Nov. 9th. PLEASE sell/buy your tickets. Signup sheets will be available at the next several meeting.

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| Lenoir City Elementary School Annual Book Fair | Let's Talk |
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Sherri Hudley Executive Director CASA of the Tennessee Valley

Thank you to our Guest Speaker, Sherri Hudley.

What an incredible woman. What an incredible organization. CASA of the Tennessee Valley trains and supports citizen volunteers who are appointed by the

juvenile courts to advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children in Roane, Loudon, Morgan, Cumberland, Putnam, and Overton counties. These citizen volunteers – Court Appointed Special Advocates – are a voice for the child in court and advocates for court decisions that will bring safety and stability to the young lives in turmoil.

CASA of the Tennessee Valley is a non-profit agency [501(c)(3)] serving children in Tennessee's Loudon, Morgan, Roane, Cumberland, Putnam, and Overton counties. We are affiliated with, and adhere to the standards of, the National CASA Association and the Tennessee CASA Association, but are locally governed and responsible for obtaining our own funding.

CASA's Mission: Provide a powerful voice for abused and neglected children by advocating for each child, within the court's jurisdiction, by recruiting, training, and supervising volunteers to ensure safety, permanency and an opportunity to thrive.

CASA's Vision: CASA of the Tennessee Valley believes that every child deserves a safe permanent home where they can thrive. We are committed to seeing that every child in the juvenile court system has an advocate on their side.

Please take the time to visit their website: https://casatnvalley.org/

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Sept. 6th, 2024 our volunteers packed and delivered 137 bags of food for the kids at Loudon Elementary School.

Project Directory - Youth Services Committee Project Leader: Pat Humphrey 912-531-7643 pathumpre@gmail.com

We provide both financial and manpower support for this program which presently serves disadvantaged students attending Loudon Elementary School. Our members pack bags of healthy snacks from the 4 food groups. They begin at 9:30 a.m. and are usually finished by 10:30 a.m. Teachers distribute the bags, confidentially, to these children on Friday's when school is in session. Food is purchased through Second Harvest; who delivers the items directly to the school.



L to R: Pat Humphrey, Beth Mouse, Ginger Swintosky, Laura Wrubel, and Ray Mouse.

Jerry Wrubel, who took the photo, is missing from this wonderful group of volunteers.

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Lending Library

Posted to Facebook on Thursday September 5th by **Lenoir City Schools Family Resource Center**



Thank you to our volunteers from Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village and Pilot Club of Lenoir City for helping our office have a great morning with Lending Library *effort* the Kindergarten students at Lenoir City Elementary School! This program allows each Kindergarten student to check out a book to take home and read with their families each week. We look forward to a great year of lending out books!

Thank you Kiwanis Members for your dedication to the Lending Library Project.



Peggy McRae

Rod Erin

Jerry Wrubel

Quarterly Commodity Food Distribution was Sept. 10th, 2024.

Our Kiwanians packed and delivered 192 bags of food to residents in Lenoir City. Food wasn't the only thing our members delivered. Kindness & goodwill to those in need were a part of this delivery.



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Donuts, "Perfect fuel for strength."







Point me in the right direction. Okay I'm good.







Team Work!

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Packing almost finished.



Yahoo, packing is done.

Time for a pose





Quick coffee break.

Time to start deliveries.





Buddy Benches #'s 57, 58 & 59 delivered!



Bench #58 was dedicated to Pat Marshall. The bench is at Alcoa Intermediate School. Kevin Meyer, Tellico Village **Kiwanis**, and Fred Martin from Alcoa Kiwanis Club.

September, 12, 2024





Bench #59: Lindsey Plyler, **President of New Hope Advocacy** Center BOD Maryville, Wanda Davis, President Kiwanis Maryville, and Kevin Meyer, Tellico Village Kiwanis President.

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Students at Lenoir City Elementary School let their imaginations soar; creating posters depicting ways kids get to school. Scenes ran the gamut from a school bus, cars, boats, space ships, and running. Their creativity was amazing.

On September 13, 2024, the posters were judged. Susan Fox, Director of Lenoir City Family Resource Center, along with Kiwanis Members Ray and Beth Mouse, Pam Graves, and Mildred Burke from the Pilot Club had the responsibility to select the poster winners. With so many unique posters, it was a difficult task. In the end the winners were chosen.

Congratulations and thank you to all the students for their incredible entries!







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Annual Book Fair Lenoir City Elementary School Setup was Friday, Sept. 6th. The Fair ran Monday-Thursday, Sept. 9th -12th. Breakdown of book fair was Friday, Sept. 13th.



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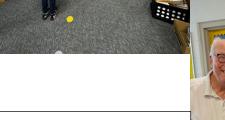
Kiwanian's did help setup the Book Fair.

They also volunteered during the week.

Unfortunately, we didn't get any photos of our marvelous volunteers hard at work.







The breakdown team stopped long enough to get a photo.

(Bunch of picture hogs.)



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Next Inter-Club

Friday, Sept. 27th

Kiwanis Club of Athens Tennessee Wesleyan College Glenn Lowe Dining Room 204 E College St., Athens, TN

Meeting begins at noon.

Contact Phil Rothrock, our Inter-Club guru, If you want to attend.

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What is Inter-Club?

Briefly, an inter-club meeting is a meeting staged by two or more Kiwanis clubs.

Inter-clubbing is a means of supporting Kiwanis' fifth Object, which is "To provide, through this club, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build a better community." This wider scope of Kiwanis can be achieved by member visits between clubs in the same town, division and district, as well as inter-district gettogethers.

The development of fellowship among members of the Kiwanis family by having inter-club activities is so important.

Through the fellowship gained by inter-club activities, members learn how other clubs function, get to know their neighboring Kiwanians, develop new ideas and a broader interest in how Kiwanis operates, find new ideas for use in their own club, and become better Kiwanians.

Inter- clubbing creates fun and strong fellowship.

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Don't Don't Stop Praying



Please let us know if you or someone you know has specifically asked for and needs prayers.

Don't Stop Praying for our nation, our leaders, our military, our first responders, our community, our friends and neighbors, and our Kiwanis family.

Louise Coulter: She is suffering with back pain. Hopefully her orthopedic appointment will setup a plan to resolve this issue.

Andrea Johnson: Her mom, Jeanette Warren, has Stage 4 glioblastoma, which is inoperable. She is undergoing chemotherapy and radiation to give her more time with her family. Jeanette knows the Lord and is at peace.

Al Porell: His wife,Yvonne is home now and is under Al and the UT Home Health care. Al makes sure she does her exercises and eats well. She is doing great, and hope she will recover quickly.

Janet Villa: Knee replacement surgery was Monday, Sept. 9th. The surgery went well. Janet is Relieved to no longer be bound to the wheelchair. Continued prayers for a smooth and full recovery.

We ask you to keep our members and their families in your prayers. It will be challenging for them in the weeks/months ahead.



"Do the best you can until you know better.

Then when you know better, do better."

Maya Angelou



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Peace Out, Angie Antico, Editor