

All the News that  
is fit to print and  
then some....  
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48 members attended our 1<sup>st</sup> September meeting. Karen Peterson, Don Ferguson, Phyllis Emroll, and Don Merritt joined us as guests. We look forward to seeing them again.

We also welcomed 3 Members from Sweetwater Kiwanis and Harold Hartman with the Oakridge Kiwanis.

**Guest Speakers:** Dr. Chris Smallen, Dustin McCarter, and Kathryn Swope - **Page 4 - 5**

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**Katey Bailey** - read a thank you from the Lenoir City Veterans Honor Guard.

**Katey** - announced the estimated net revenue from our Golf Tournament - \$20K

**Phil Smith** - \$955.00 were Mulligan purchases!

**Without Limits Baseball Team** received donations in the amount of \$2,001.

**Loudon HS Key Club** received \$523. in donations.

**Kevin Flanagan** thanked the Golf Committee for their dedication and hard work.

**Ken Austin** - Thanked Fred Gibson for recruiting more than enough volunteers for the Quarterly Commodities Food Distribution is Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>. Ken will email the volunteers to let them know if they are needed.

**Rick Hamm** - service hours for golf tournament should be separate from the regular monthly volunteer hours. He needs all service hrs by Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Katey** - Louise Coulter has stepped down as Sunshine Coordinator. Angie Antico will temporarily step back into the role. Contact Katey or Angie for details.

**KaDee Andreasen** - Will be graduating from the Leadership in Loudon County Program. The LC Chamber has chosen Iva's Place for "Wrap them in Comfort" drive.

**Ruthie Thornton** - The Lions Academy in Kenya now has 103 students enrolled. The Government Inspectors informed the school the latrines need work.

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COMING UP

**Lenoir City Elementary School Annual Book Fair is September 5<sup>th</sup> through September 13<sup>th</sup>.**

**Quarterly Commodity Food Distribution Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**Kevin Flanagan Pancake Breakfast tickets will be distributed at 9/17 meeting. Pancake Breakfast is Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.**

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# *Welcome September*

New month, new chapter, new  
page and new wishes.

May the month give you courage,  
strength, Confidence, patience,  
self-love & inner peace. May  
everyday in September fill your  
days with Hope, love, sunshine  
and energy. Let there be Joy,  
Fun and Laughter.

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happy  
birthday



**Kiwanis**  
TELLICO VILLAGE  
LOUDON, TN



SEPTEMBER 2024 – HAPPY BIRTHDAYS						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Heather Burke	4	5	6	7
8	9 John Brazil	10	11	12	13	14 George Arwood
15	16 Loren Plemmons	17 Bev Sikorski	18	19 Laura Wrubel	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

OCTOBER 2024 – HAPPY BIRTHDAYS						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6 Mary Procyk	7	8	9	10	11	12 Larry Dill
13	14 Lisa Hennessy	15	16 Larry Weir	17 Helen Nicholson	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Bob Swintosky	26 Caren Salazar
27	28 Pat Humphrey Don Whiteman	29	30	31		



## ROBOTICS IN THE CLASSROOM

In March 2017, our club collaborated with the School Systems of Lenoir City and Loudon County to begin a STEM/Robotics Program. The program would develop student skills in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) using Robotics and related technology. Robotics in the Classroom became a Signature Project of our Kiwanis Club.

On Tuesday, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, our members had the privilege of meeting Dr. Chris Smallen, Director of Technology Lenoir City Schools, Dustin McCarter, STEM teacher at Lenoir City Middle School and Kathryn Swope, teacher of Integrated Technology at Lenoir city Elementary School.

**Dustin's** presentation covered the Lenoir City Middle School STEM Lab. It was awe-inspiring to learn of the advancements taking place within the program. Equipment purchases, made possible through grants, were jaw-dropping. They included 3D printers, and a CNC machine. Thankfully, Dustin graciously told us older folks CNC means Computer Numerical Control.

Dustin's students are from 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades. The Projects are challenging. With each one involving more detailed designs, programming skills, etc.

**Winter Wonderland:** theme this year is the Grinch. The finish wonderland will be complete with characters, lights, and synchronized music.

**Future City:** students must build a model city of the future using their own designs. The city must be environmentally friendly and float! The project must be completed by January 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Robotics Competition:** will be in March 2025, marking the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Competition. Hopefully, this year Lenoir City Intermediate, Loudon North Middle, Fort Loudon Middle and Philadelphia Middle will be competing. Students create their robots to perform a predetermined course.

**Sphero Golf Course:** Students design and build a 6-hole course based on Disney movies. The sphero coding robot ball must be programmed to avoid the "traps" set up on the golf course.

**Kathryn (Katie) Swope's** students are kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Her teaching focuses on the youngsters learning navigation skills using an iPad. Building trust, sharing, and working together; as well as internet safety are covered.

One of our members asked **Dr. Chris Smallen** if there were areas to consider going forward. Yes he did, "This is the first time Dustin's hearing my suggestion. AI needs to become a part of our curriculum. The future is here"

*A Antico*

## Check presentation to Lenoir City Schools Robotic Program



Left to Right: Dustin McCarter, Kevin McRae, Dr. Chris Smallen,  
Kathryn Swode, and Bob Swintosky.

# We Did It!

## Weekend Food 4 kids

August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 our volunteers packed and delivered 132 bags of food for the kids at Loudon Elementary School.

Didn't get any pictures of our wonderful members. Thank you Pat Humphrey, Kevin and Peggy McRae, Randy Heiden and Lisa Herrington.



### **Project Directory - Youth Services Committee**

**Project Leader: Pat Humphrey 912-531-7643**

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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.

August 26, 2024 Kiwanian Jerry Wrubel presented checks to Susan Fox, Director, Lenoir City Family Resource Center. \$650.00 for the Kindergarten Supplies Project and \$300.00 towards Let's Talk Project.

### **Project Directory - Young Children: Priority One Committee**

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#### **Kindergarten Supplies for Greenback, Lenoir City, Loudon, Philadelphia & Steekee Elementary Schools**

Our club donates funds to assist kindergarten teachers in purchasing supplies for their classrooms.

#### **Let's Talk**

We provide financial support to an early literacy program designed to help parents learn and practice activities and techniques for different critical developmental skills. During this program there is an interactive book reading, crafts, activities, and a healthy snack all based around the book that was read. This program is available for children two years old - PreK and their parents.



## Ladies Tea at The Neighborhood

Kevin's  
Mom



Wild Wild West was the theme for our August 27th Ladies Tea.

Kiwanis Cowgirls baked some mighty tasty vittles.



The residents enjoyed sitting around the campfire (tables), being served, talking, sipping tea, and munching on them goodies.



Thank you to our cowgirls: Beth Mouse, Bev Sikorski, Pat Humphrey, Judy Dowell, Judy Buscetta, Katey Bailey and Peggy McRae.

(Kevin McRae's mom is sitting at a table; she is in the pink blouse.)

### ***Project Directory – Community Services Committee***

#### ***Tea at The Neighborhood***

**Project Leaders: Lucia Findley 865-809-9857 [lucia.findley@gmail.com](mailto:lucia.findley@gmail.com)**

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This event is held on the fourth Tuesday of the month. It provides an opportunity for our Kiwanis ladies to socialize with many of the women who reside at The Neighborhood. The Kiwanis gals bring sweets, bake goodies. The hot tea is served in beautiful bone china cups, complete with saucers. The residents enjoy being pampered and everyone has a delightful time.

## What is Inter-Club?

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

11 of our members attended a Maryville Kiwanis meeting on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. Maryville members are always welcoming. Their speaker, David Carroll, is a Radio and TV commentator with Local 3 News in Chattanooga. He is the longest running news anchorman in Chattanooga history. An entertaining speaker!  
<https://www.local3news.com/users/profile/dcarroll/>



**Back Row: Janine Julian, Mary Procyk, Phil Rothrock, Ron Uncapher, Bob and Ginger Swintosky  
Front Row: Lou and Angie Antico, Beth and Ray Mouse**



**2 of our members attended the Sweetwater Kiwanis Meeting on Thursday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Paul Palazzolo was the Guest Speaker. He covered the history of Kiwanis and its mission. As per Katey, he was very funny and gave a good talk!**



**Katey Bailey, our President-Elect**  
**Paul Palazzolo, Executive Director**  
**Kiwanis International and all its subsidiaries**  
**David Coulter, a past governor of our KY-TN District**



**Paul Palazzolo,**  
**Claire Crouch, incoming Governor of**  
**KY-TN District 2024-2025**

**Katey Bailey**  
**David Coulter**

**ANNUAL GOLF**

**TOURNAMENT**

**Saturday,  
August 31, 2024**

Another successful Golf Tournament!

Thank you, All.

As reported, the initial revenue is \$20K.

The Photo Recap is on our website.  
And can be downloaded.

<https://k15626.site.kiwanis.org/golf-tournament/>

There is also a video on our Facebook Page.

**COMING UP**



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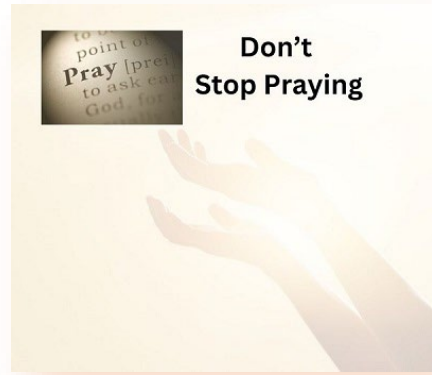
Ruthie Thornton has setup a group visit to STAR on September 24.

10 a.m. to noon. We'll tour the facility.

Bring a sandwich. We can eat and enjoy spending time together outside of a regular club meeting.



We can met and take photos with our horse, Sampson.



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:** Has an appointment October 1st to begin treatment for osteoporosis. She is suffering with back pain.

**Andrea Johnson:** Her mom, **Jeanette Warren**, has been diagnosed with brain cancer. Please ask Our Lord to watch over Jeanette. Keep Andrea and her family in your prayers.

**Dan Kuzdzal:** Dan and Donna's son passed away. During this difficult time, Dan, Donna and their family need prayers to give them strength and know they're not alone.

**Al Porell:** His wife, **Yvonne**, has been home on Friday, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> following rehab at Patricia Neal Rehabilitation Center.

**Janet Villa:** Scheduled for knee replacement September 9<sup>th</sup>. The beginning of August, Janet fell shattering her tibia. She has been wheelchair bound since that fall.

**Angie & Lou Antico:** Gerri Pergola, sister-in-law. Following a fall underwent surgery on 3 fractured fingers. 2 on right hand, 1 on left. Pins were inserted. A hard cast is on her left fractured wrist and shoulder. Hopefully, no further surgery will be needed.

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

Peace Out,  
Angie Antico, Editor