



# Kiwaniis<sup>®</sup>

## AMERICUS

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### 2024-25 Officers

Herschel Smith, *President*

Wesley Larkin, *President-Elect*

Sylvia Roland, *Secretary*

Jason Williams, *Treasurer*

Chet Crowley,  
*Immediate Past President*

### The Kiwanis Key

## Kiwanis Club of Americus

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**Georgia District Theme:** Kids Need Kiwanis

### Board of Directors:

Tim Bell (2025)

Brannon Parks (2025)

Rucker Smith (2025)

Mark Ennes (2026)

David Ewing (2026)

Rusty Warner (2026)

### International President

Lee Kuan Yong

### Georgia District Governor

David Simmons

### Division 5 Lieutenant Governor

Sylvia Roland

### SIX OBJECTIVES OF KIWANIS

To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than the material values of life.

To encourage daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships

To promote high social, business, and professional standards

To develop by precept and example a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.

To provide enduring friendships and altruistic services for better communities.

To cooperate in creating and maintaining high ideals which will increase righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will.

### President Herschel Smith's Goals for 2024-25

- Be a distinguished club using both Georgia Kiwanis and Kiwanis International criteria
- Support at least 1 Key Club
- Have a net growth of +1 for the year
- Have sponsors of new members mentor the newcomer for a year
- Host more social events, thus encouraging members to get

### Upcoming Events

**June 27; July 18—Friday regular meetings to be held at Quality Inn**

**June 25-28—Kiwaniis International Convention in Pittsburgh (Sylvia will attend)**

**August 8-10—Georgia District Convention in Dalton (Sylvia McDaniel, Wesley Larkin, Cindy Gillespie and Jess Sinclair to attend)**

## Motto: Serving the children of the world

The Americus Kiwanis Club was chartered on April 6, 1920. We meet at 1:00 PM on Fridays in the faculty dining room at Georgia Southwestern State University (GSW).

# Highlights from the Weekly Meeting

## Program on June 13, 2025



Charles Crisp representing Sumter Historic Trust shared what is happening with the property on W. College St, as well as other in town properties.

# Thanks

A grateful thanks to Mark and Mary Ennes who hosted our summer social. Food and drink were wonderful and a great time was had by all who attended.



## Upcoming Programs and Assignments

- |   |                           |                                      |                                       |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ◆ June 20 - Mark Ennes—<br>Katrina Baranko, Immediate<br>Past President of Kiwanis<br>Internal. | ◆ July 4—NO MEETING       | ◆ August 1—Chadwick Gugg             | ◆ September 5—Anne<br>Isbell;         |
|   | ◆ July 11—Becky Gillespie | ◆ August 8—Tommy Hagins              | ◆ September 12—Bill<br>Krenson;       |
|   | ◆ July 18—Cindy Gillespie | ◆ August 15—Linda Hagins             | ◆ September 19—Meda<br>Krenson;       |
| ◆ June 27 - Mike Fletcher   | ◆ July 25—Mark Grimes     | ◆ August 22—Blake Hill               | ◆ September 26—Kevin<br>Kwashnak;     |
|   |                           | ◆ August 29—Tammy Pettyjohn<br>Jones | ◆ October 3—Officer In-<br>stallation |

## Upcoming Events and Announcements

### Meeting Location Change!!



**Kiwanis Club will be meeting at the Quality Inn  
1205 South MLK Blvd. on these dates:  
Friday, June 6; Friday, June 27; and Friday, July 18  
Meetings will begin at 1:00 as usual. Plan to arrive  
between 12:30—1:00 PM.**

GSW is hosting Storm Days for incoming freshmen on those dates and will be using our meeting room. When you arrive for

Kiwanis on those dates, please tell the cashier that you are here for Kiwanis. Then help yourself to the buffet, including main meal, dessert, and drink. Our treasurer will be writing one

### New Member Induction



Pictured Left to Right: Mark Ennes—Membership Chair, Patty Ferry—Beth's Sponsor, our new member Beth Siren

### Weekly Card Game Results



#### June 13, 2025

- ♦ \$864 - Pot
- ♦ \$480 - Seed
- ♦ \$863.44 - Hixon

Cathy Mueller's ticket was pulled, but she failed to draw the Ace of Spades! The pot still grows with 10 cards to draw. Good time to come to a meeting. You might be the winner!





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## AMERICUS

Standing Committees, Sub-Committees and Membership  
Current as of May 16, 2025  
Administrative Year 2024-25

### Community Service

#### Brannon Parks, Liaison

##### Spelling Bee

Herschel Smith, Chair  
Tim Bell  
Becky Gillespie  
Cindy Gillespie  
Blake Hill  
George Peagler  
James Sizemore  
Rucker Smith

##### Reading

Jody Wade, Chair  
Tammy Pettyjohn Jones  
Bill Krenson  
Charlene Pennymon  
Fred Richmond  
Carlyle Walton  
Jason Williams  
Alwen Yeung

##### Boy Scouts

John Edgemon, Chair  
Wade Barr  
Bill Krenson  
Herschel Smith  
George Torbert  
Josh Windus

##### Key Club

Alwen Yeung, Furlow  
John Shealy, Southland

##### Scholarship

Stephen Snyder, Chair  
Mark Grimes  
Rusty Warner  
Lewis Webb  
Jason Williams

### Pet Parade

Charlene Pennymon, Chair  
Frank Ceresoli  
Meda Krenson  
Alwen Yeung  
James Sizemore  
Rucker Smith

### School Liaison

Furlow—Jason Williams  
and Alwen Yeung  
Southland—John Shealy  
Sumter—Sylvia Roland  
Schley—Brannon Parks  
and Blake Hill

### Membership

#### Mark Ennes and David Ewing, Co-Liaisons

##### Senior Member

David Ewing, Chair  
Bill Bennett  
Bill Sheppard

##### Membership Retention

David Ewing, Chair  
Bill Bennett

##### New Member Recruitment

Mark Ennes, Chair  
Linda Hagins  
Tommy Hagins  
Tammy Pettyjohn Jones  
Rucker Smith

### Leadership

#### Rucker Smith, Liaison

##### Officer Slate

Lewis Webb, Chair  
Bill Bowen  
Stephen Snyder  
Dennis Stalvey

### Fundraising

#### Rusty Warner, Liaison

##### Arbor Day Tree Sale

Mark Simmons, Chair  
Mark Pace, Co-Chair  
Mike Fletcher  
Chadwick Gugg  
Charlene Pennymon  
Ethan Wolfe

##### Golf Tournament

Wesley Larkin, Chair  
Jamie Cromer  
John Edgemon  
Blake Hill  
Carlyle Walton  
Wes Wheeler

### Club Operations

#### Tim Bell, Liaison

##### Meeting Set-Up

Sam Peavy, Chair  
Wade Barr  
Kevin Kwashnak  
Scott Leemis  
George Saratsiotis  
Dennis Stalvey

##### Music

Bill Sheppard, Chair  
David Ewing  
Charlene Pennymon  
Carlyle Walton  
Alwen Yeung

##### Programs

Wesley Larkin, Chair  
All members

##### Communication

Chet Crowley, Chair  
Rob Collins  
Anne Isbell  
Sylvia Roland

### Public Relations

Chet Crowley, Chair  
Cindy Gillespie  
Judy Parkinson  
Stephen Snyder  
Dennis Stalvey  
Rusty Warner  
Josh Windus  
Patty Ferry

### Social

Cathy Mueller, Chair  
Linda Hagins,  
Frank Ceresoli  
Becky Gillespie  
Cindy Gillespie  
Tammy Pettyjohn Jones  
James Sizemore  
Carlyle Walton  
Charles Christmas

### Inter Club

Bill Krenson, Chair  
Tim Bell  
Bill Bird

### Chaplains

Wade Barr  
Dennis Stalvey  
Jess Sinclair

### Financial Review

#### Committee

Bill Sheppard (2022-25)  
Lewis Webb (2023-26)  
Becky Gillespie (2024-27)

**If you prefer to serve on  
another committee, you may  
contact President Herschel  
Smith at (407) 704-9623 or by  
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herschelsmith3@gmail.com**