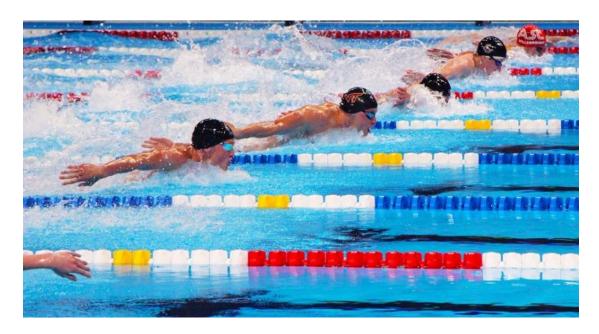


FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVID COULTER

KT NOTES July 2020-2021



FINISH STRONG



I have been watching the swimming qualifications for the Olympics this week. A few records were broken by both the men and women. In my high school days, I was on the swim team, but I was never a distance swimmer......10 laps of the 50-meter pool...... Wow!

As we enter the last quarter of the 2020-2021 Kiwanis year, we need everyone – members of the clubs, the officers of the clubs, the lieutenant governors of our Divisions – to Finish Strong... Reading a book by Dan Green "Finish Strong: Amazing Stories of Courage and Inspiration" I learned that "Finish Strong" is more than a statement...it's an attitude...... Dan Green in his introduction says: "Finish Strong is a perfect example of how the whole is greater than the sum of the parts." As you will recall my SLOGAN FOR THE YEAR IS SYNERGY =WORKING TOGETHER, AND I COMPARED IT TO THE PARTS OF A SYMPHONY.

FROM THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAVID COULTER

President Art Riley recently sent the following statement to each of the District governors and I would like to share it here – "Psychologists use the peak-end rule to describe the conclusion of any meaningful experience. According to the rule, two memories remain vivid: the recollection of the most significant achievement during the process and how the experience concluded." This principle applies to the final quarter of the Kiwanis year. The impact of the Kiwanis 2020-2021 team will be remembered by the most significant accomplishment of each team member and the spirit and sense of camaraderie with which we conclude the year.

Every Kiwanian on this year's team will be able to reflect on the accomplishment they believe will have the most significant impact on Kiwanis. However, our effort and performance during the fourth quarter will determine how the Kiwanis family will evaluate the 2020-2021 team. Therefore, please apply extra effort to your responsibilities in July, August and September. These simple steps can guide us:

- Encourage every member to ask two prospective members to experience Kiwanis service.
- > Volunteer to be a club coach and assist a new club to grow strong or help an existing club repurpose its service.
- ➤ Lead or assist in building new clubs. Each district has the resources to open at least two new clubs in the fourth quarter.
- Promote Kiwanis by telling your story of service.
- > Volunteer to assist in expanding Kiwanis leadership initiatives such as Kiwanis Amplify®.
- Assist and maintain the transition momentum into the 2021-2022 term.
- ➤ Your dedication through the 2020-2021 year will be remembered by how we cross the finish line.

Yes, we have been through a pandemic. However, Kiwanis still has its mission and values that our clubs bring to the communities we serve. Dan Green gives us the following: "Regardless of what came before or of what has yet to come what matters most right now is how I (we) choose to respond to the challenge before me (us). Will I (we) lie down or will I (we) fight? The choice is mine (ours) and I (we) choose to

"FINISH STRONG"

Charles F. Kettering gives us the following quote: "Believe and act as if it were impossible to fail."

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July 15	Article Submission Deadline= July 5	
September 15	Article Submission Deadline= September 5	

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Encourage your fellow Kiwanians to email ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org and give the KT office permission to put them on Constant Contact so they too might receive the KT Notes.

Don Ritter



In the May 2021 issue of the KT Notes we shared the good news of achievement by the Sevierville and Seymour (Tennessee) Kiwanis clubs, both of which achieved their goal of donating 1,000 pairs of underwear for the *First Lady Drop Your Drawers Project*. We listed those who were in the pictures but failied to include the pictures. Here are the pictures, one *KT Notes* issue late. My apologies for my oversight.

Parades, conventions, Governor's Banquets, Kiwanian accomplishments; all can be found in this issue of the *KT Notes*. I hope you will read about Shellie, the member who is spotlighted in this issue

and I hope you will take the time to read the <u>true story</u> about <u>Shay</u>. Above all, I trust you will be attending the KT Kiwanis Convention in Berea, Kentucky in August. See you there.



SEVIERVILLE: Kim Loveday from Sevier County Family Resources, Governor David and First Lady Louise Coulter, Kiwanian Virginia Borrelli (also on the library staff), and Kiwanian Rhonda Tippitt (Library Director).



SEYMOUR: Kiwanian Paul Davis and an unidentified member of the library staff

JUST FOR LAUGHS (OR IN THIS CASE, TEARS)

We usually save this space for something that we hope will help lighten your day with a little laughter. However, the following piece made such an impression on me when I first read it that I thought it was worth sharing with you. <u>EVEN THOUGH IT IS QUITE LONG, I WANT TO SHARE IT WITH YOU AND I HOPE YOU WILL TAKE THE TIME TO READ IT IN ITS ENTIRETY.</u>

We have celebrated the birthday of a nation consisting of so many people who unselfishly help others because that is the kind of nation we think our forefathers intended it to be, consisting of the kind of people they expected us to be. Kiwanians exemplify that characteristic. Read in the following story about those young people who unselfishly did something for Shay. If it doesn't cause a tear or two to well up, you have better control of your emotions than I do. I get a lump in my throat and a tear in my eye every time I read it. Don



At a fundraising dinner for a school that serves children with learning disabilities, the father of one of the students delivered a speech that would never be forgotten by all who attended. After extolling the school and its dedicated staff, he offered a question:

'When not interfered with by outside influences, everything nature does is done with perfection. Yet my son, Shay, cannot learn things as other children do. He cannot understand things as other children do. Where is the natural order of things in my son?'

The audience was stilled by the query.

The father continued. 'I believe that when a child like Shay, who was mentally and physically disabled comes into the world, an opportunity to realize true human nature presents itself, and it comes in the way other people treat that child.'

Then he told the following story:

Shay and I had walked past a park where some boys Shay knew were playing baseball. Shay asked, 'Do you think they'll let me play?'

I knew that most of the boys would not want someone like Shay on their team, but as a father I also understood that if my son were allowed to play, it would give him a much-needed sense of belonging and some confidence to be accepted by others in spite of his handicaps.

I approached one of the boys on the field and asked (not expecting much), if Shay could play. The boy looked around for guidance and said, 'We're losing by six runs and the game is in the eighth inning. I guess he can be on our team and we'll try to put him in to bat in the ninth inning.'

Shay struggled over to the team's bench and, with a broad smile, put on a team shirt. I watched with a small tear in my eye and warmth in my heart. The boys saw my joy at my son being accepted.

In the bottom of the eighth inning, Shay's team scored a few runs but was still behind by three.

In the top of the ninth inning, Shay put on a glove and played in the right field. Even though no hits came his way, he was obviously ecstatic just to be in the game and on the field, grinning from ear to ear as I waved to him from the stands.

In the bottom of the ninth inning, Shay's team scored again.

Now, with two outs and the bases loaded, the potential winning run was on base and Shay was scheduled to be next at bat. At this juncture, do they let Shay bat and give away their chance to win the game?

JUST FOR LAUGHS (OR IN THIS CASE, TEARS)

Surprisingly, Shay was given the bat. Everyone knew that a hit was all but impossible because Shay didn't even know how to hold the bat properly, much less connect with the ball.

However, as Shay stepped up to the plate, the pitcher, recognizing that the other team was putting winning aside for this moment in Shay's life, moved in a few steps to lob the ball in softly so Shay could at least make contact.

The first pitch came and Shay swung clumsily and missed.

The pitcher again took a few steps forward to toss the ball softly towards Shay. As the pitch came in, Shay swung at the ball and hit a slow ground ball right back to the pitcher.

The game would now be over.

The pitcher picked up the soft grounder and could have easily thrown the ball to the first baseman. Shay would have been out and that would have been the end of the game. Instead, the pitcher threw the ball right over the first baseman's head, out of reach of all team mates.

Everyone from the stands and both teams started yelling, 'Shay, run to first! Run to first!'

Never in his life had Shay ever run that far, but he made it to first base. He scampered down the baseline, wide-eyed and startled.

Everyone yelled, 'Run to second, run to second!'

Catching his breath, Shay awkwardly ran towards second, gleaming and struggling to make it to the base.

By the time Shay rounded towards second base, the right fielder had the ball. The smallest guy on their team now had his first chance to be the hero for his team.

He could have thrown the ball to the second-baseman for the tag, but he understood the pitcher's intentions so he, too, intentionally threw the ball high and far over the third-baseman's head.



Shay ran toward third base deliriously as the runners ahead of him circled the bases toward home. All were screaming, 'Shay, Shay, Shay, all the Way Shay'

Shay reached third base because the opposing shortstop ran to help him by turning him in the direction of third base, and shouted, 'Run to third! Shay, run to third!'

As Shay rounded third, the boys from both teams, and the spectators, were on their feet screaming, 'Shay, run home! Run home!'

Shay ran to home, stepped on the plate, and was cheered as the hero who hit the grand slam and won the game for his team.

'That day', said the father softly with tears now rolling down his face, 'the boys from both teams helped bring a piece of true love and humanity into this world'.

Shay didn't make it to another summer. He died that winter, having never forgotten being the hero and making me so happy and coming home and seeing his Mother tearfully embrace her little hero of the day!

AND NOW A LITTLE FOOT NOTE TO THIS STORY

The person who sent it to me believed that we all can make a difference.

She went on to say that we all have thousands of opportunities every single day to help realize the 'natural order of things.'

So many seemingly trivial interactions between two people present us with a choice:

Do we pass along a little spark of love and humanity or do we pass up those opportunities and leave the world a little bit colder in the process?

A wise man once said "Every society is judged by how it treats it's least fortunate amongst them."



Tentative Convention Agenda

Time	Thursday August 5, 2021	
11:00-4:30	2021-2022 LTG -Elect Training/ Fellowship	Tavern Event Center
12:30-1:30	2021-2022 LTG -Elect Meal	Alumni Cafeteria/ Hutchins
12:00 PM	Office Set Up	Stammer Alumni
4:00 PM	Foundation Sales	Alumni- Woods- Penn
6:00 PM	Finance Meeting 2020-2021 and 2021-2022	Hotel- Skylight
7:00 PM	<u> </u>	Tavern Event Center
7.00 PIVI	Foundation Board Meeting	ravern Event Center
	Friday August 6, 2021	
8:00 AM	2021-2022 LTG -Elect Meal	Cafeteria
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9:00-12:30	Office	Stammer Alumni
4:00-6:00	KT District Office Re-opens	Alumni
10:30-6:30	Registration & Credentials	Stammer Alumni
9:00-6:00	Foundation Sales & Silent Auction	Alumni- Woods Penn
9:00-6:00	Miniature Golf Alumni-	Woods Penn Alley
AM	Special Interest Display Set Up	Alumni General Area
9:30	CLE/ Education Trainers	Alumni- Barton
12:00-4:00	CLE Training-Presidents	Tavern- Coyle
12:00-3:00	CLE Training- Secretary's	Tavern-Skylight
12:30-1:30	Board Partner's Meal	Alumni-Hutchins
1:15-2:15	Won't You Be my Neighbor, Again?	Alumni Activities Room
2:30-3:30	What is Geocaching?	Alumni Activities Room
2:00	Board Meeting 2020-2021	Alumni- Activity
3:00	Board Meeting 2021-2021	Alumni- Activity
3:30	First Timers	Tavern- Robinson
5:00	Past Governor's Dinner	Tavern- Skylight
7:00		
	Opening Session	Alumni Baird Lounge
8:30	Membership Ice Cream Social	Alumni Baird Lounge
	Saturday August 7, 2021	
7:00	Past LTG Association Working Breakfast	Alumni- Hutchins
7:00	Membership Breakfast	Alumni Cafeteria
8:00-6:00	Office	Stammer Alumni
8:00-6:00	Registration & Credentials	
	Foundation Sales & Silent Auction	Alumni- Woods Penn
9:00	General Session	Alumni Baird Lounge
12:00	Foundation Lunch	Cafeteria
1:30	Workshop	Tavern- Coyle 1
1.00	Workshop	Tavern- Coyle 2
	Workshop	Skylight
	Workshop	Event Center
2:30	Workshop	Tavern- Coyle 1
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	Workshop	Tavern- Coyle 2
	Workshop	Skylight Event Center
2,20,6,20	Workshop From Time	Event Center
3:30-6:30	Free Time	Cookumallonarilarial C
7:00	Banquet/ Bluegrass Band	Seabury Upper Level Gym

Tentative Convention Agenda

	Sunday August 8, 2021	
7:00	Office	Alumni
7:00-8:30	Registration & Credentials	
	Foundation Sales & Silent Auction	Alumni- Woods Penn
7:00-8:00	Group Breakfast and checkout	Alumni Cafeteria
8:15	Memorial Service	Alumni-Baird Lounge
9:15	Closing Session	Alumni-Baird Lounge

Education Enrichment Workshops

Friday 1:15-2:15

Won't You Be my Neighbor, Again?

Jeremy Holbrook

(Mr.) Fred Rogers was one of the world's most influential people over the last century. His unique ways of teaching, challenging, and encouraging both children and parents became the foundation and blueprint for educational public television. With over 900 episodes of his famous program "Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood", the 2018 documentary, and the 2019 drama film starring Tom Hanks; many of us have learned unique things about the world's most famous neighbor; but in this break out session we'll learn about what inspired Fred to become Mr. Rogers, his family background, his hometown (Latrobe, Pa), and the everlasting legacy that he ultimately left behind.

This workshop will be led by Jeremy Holbrook; the Founder and Director of "The Big Idea Camp"- a character development program in over 100 schools in Kentucky, West Virginia, and Ohio. Jeremy also partners with The Fred Rogers Center in Latrobe, PA helping them work with schools across the country.

How to Geocache for the Gems of Berea Jennifer Napier

Did you know there's a hi-tech adventure waiting at your fingertips - anywhere you go in the world? Have you heard of Geocaching & Adventure Labs? These are apps you can download onto your smartphone (free versions are available), and learn about local areas, see local sights, and become an outdoor adventure explorer no matter where you go. Geocaching is a hi-tech scavenger hunt that enables you to find actual containers camouflaged into a location. Once you find the item, you'll sign the log sheet inside and replace the container as you found it for the next person. A GeoTour is a specific set of geocaches in an area to find in which you can complete a challenge issued by a local entity (examples: National Parks, State Parks, Tourism, Chambers, etc.). An Adventure Lab typically offers a self-guided walking tour of an area which highlights local facts and history, but requires you to complete a sequence of stages by answering trivia questions you can only learn by visiting each stage. The Berea Chamber of Commerce host a GeoTour and an Adventure Lab and you're trip to Berea, KY won't be complete without learning about this 24/7/365, hi-tech and family friendly activity. Attend this session to learn more and how to get started.

Education Enrichment Workshops

For more information

Berea Chamber of Commerce Geocaching Website:

https://bereachamberofcommerce.org/geocaching-geotour/

Geocaching General Information:

https://www.geocaching.com/play

Berea Chamber of Commerce GeoTour on Geocaching.com:

https://www.geocaching.com/play/geotours/berea-kentucky

Adventure Labs General Information:

https://www.geocaching.com/sites/adventure-lab/en/

Saturday 1:30-2:30

Trying to Keep the Ones You've Got

Dale Hawkins

An engaging workshop on member retention.

Membership

Kendra Skidmore- Morris

Kiwanians are great at developing lifelong friendships in serving. Join us for an education forum on a pilot initiative on how to develop a plan of action for your upcoming year to grow your club. Lead the way by taking back the upcoming initiative back home and putting it to action for team building within your circle of friends.

Fun with Fund Raising

KY-TN Members

Share in the details of recent successful fund raiser's in the KY-TN District despite the pandemic!

Making Time Makes A Difference

Nelson Tucker

We're all busy these days, that's a fact! Let's explore some ways to make the best use of your time in Kiwanis and your personal life. A fun-filled multimedia and interactive workshop that will change the way you deal with time!

Education Enrichment Workshops

Saturday 2:30-3:30

Marketing Jeff Cody

The workshop on Public Relations and Branding will cover the benefits of promoting your club with the use of social media. We will provide the Do's & Don'ts of posting and how to effectively reach your target audience.

Branding will instruct you on the correct use of Kiwanis International logo as laid out by Kiwanis International. Make plans to attend and take the information back to your club.

Lifecycle of a Kiwanian

Bruce Damrow and Bob Lambert

This session will deal with how we can utilize those SLP programs as recruiting venues for future Kiwanians. We will discover those areas of participation can and will keep those individual's ties to Kiwanis in their lives and their future. So, how do we keep these individuals involved? We will find out... The session will involve discussion and participation.

Liability, How to Avoid It

Charles Ridenour

Every club should have a representative attend this workshop.

Stuck in a Rut

Marc Whitt

Director of Media & Strategic Relations at the University of Kentucky.

Marc will conduct a workshop on trying new approaches to telling your Kiwanis Club story to fellow Kiwanians and to your community at large. This will be a follow up on Marc's Friday night KT Convention Keynote presentation which included the introduction of his new book "*PR Lessons Learned Along the Way.*"

Please note that the final agenda will be presented in the official program as room assignments may change.

AMENDMENTS:

KY-TN DISTRICT BY-LAW CHANGE THAT MUST BE VOTED ON AT DCON. (HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENT)

The change: The Kiwanis International Board decided to eliminate the new member add fee and charter member fee, replacing both with prorated dues for new members. All districts in North America whose dues billing and collection is handled by Kiwanis International *must* adopt this change. Additionally, districts *must* use the same percentage schedule used by K.I.

A club will be charged prorated dues for new members on a diminishing scale based on what month they join. The following Sept. 30, the club will be billed full dues for all members.

Proration schedule: At this time, in order for Kiwanis to make optimal use of the new platform at the best cost for the organization, the schedule is expected to be based on 1/12 of the full dues amount per month.

District Bylaw Amendment(s)

The move to prorated district dues requires a change to Article X, Section 2, of the Standard Form for District Bylaws, which will now be amended to read as follows. This is the language your district should adopt in its bylaws.

Article X – Revenue, Section 2. New member add fees are charged by the district in an amount determined by [choose one: The House of Delegates or the District Board]. Prorated district dues shall be charged for each new member of a club on the same prorated schedule used by Kiwanis International.



BULLS GAP AND THE DROP YOUR DRAWERS PROJECT

The Kiwanis Club of Bulls Gap (Tennessee) is working with other Kiwanis clubs in the KT District to help make First Lady Louise's *Drop Your Drawers* project a successful one. They have implemented their campaign, which will run from June through July, in cooperation with the Hawkins County Public Libraries. They are being assisted by the Hawkins County Family Resource Center. Kiwanis President Kim Davis says their goal is to collect 600 or more pairs of underwear. We will hope for a report of their success at the August KT Convention in Berea.

YOUR DISTRICT SECRETARY'S CORNER



URGENT: Please send, to the district office, your completed club delegate form by July 25, 2021 for the KT Convention in Berea. Don't wait to turn it in at the convention.

Make your hotel registration now. Rooms are available at Holiday Inn Express (859-985-5500)

We need your District Convention (Berea) registration form ASAP.

Club Leadership Education (CLE) for next year's officers must be completed by September 30, 2021. Ask your president or secretary for information on CLE training.

Has your club secretary reported all deceased members for the Memorial Program at the convention?

Only 76 of 137 clubs have submitted their club election report as of July 4th. Let's complete the job. Call Vivian at the KT District Office for any needed help.

The club secretary and the club treasurer will work together to determine timing for the end of Kiwanis year member adds and deletes: New member adds for 2020-2021 have to be completed on the Dashboard by September 30 and after review of the current club roster any member deletes must be made by October 10.

Fran Marion District Secretary







MEMBERSHIP CONTEST MAY 1ST -JULY 31ST

How to Qualify---Simply add members May 1st - July 31st

First Prize- \$300.00

Second Prize- \$200.00

Third Prize- \$100.00

Prize money must be deposited to club's service account New members must be dues-paid members to qualify for prize

KT KIWANIS DISTRICT PAST LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS ASSOCIATION MINUTES 10 JUNE 2021

PRESENT: David Coulter, PR Cook, Fran Marion, Edye Bryant, Ron Soellner on a Zoom call.

Governor David Coulter led a review of the Association's Proposed Bylaws. PR Cook suggested looking at the first sentence of ARTICLE. 6, SECTION 4 as possibly needing to be scratched (special meetings are covered elsewhere).

Bylaws will be presented, and voted on at the *Lieutenant Governor Breakfast* on Saturday Morning August 7th, 2021 at the *KT Kiwanis District Convention*. The Lieutenant Governors Association bylaws will be presented to the KT District Board at the Friday August 6 KT Kiwanis District Meeting, subject to their adoption by the Association on Saturday morning, August 7, 2021.

The "Road Runner Award" was featured in the May, 2021 issue of the *KT Notes*. So far we are looking at possibly one nominee from Tennessee, and two nominees from Kentucky. Pete Davis will be creating the certificates for the award, and frames will be purchased. The awards will be presented during the Saturday morning session of the convention. Qualifications were reviewed for 2021. The Association's officers will review and select the winners. Certificates will be signed by the Association's president, and the KT District governor. The KT Kiwanis District office will forward the nominations for the "Road Runner Award" to the Association's officers.

Governor David encouraged those in attendance to make sure that everyone in the Association is paying their \$10 a year dues (multiple years can be paid at once). An Association information table will be set up in the Convention Office at the 2021 KT District Convention. This will allow those joining to fill out the required paperwork when they pay dues.

Jeff Cody is working on banners for the 2021 KT District Convention. He needs to know if we want one for the Association.

Governor David will be attending Division meetings during the week of July 10-17. He is planning to share a video about the District Convention. The following Divisions do not yet have a lieutenant governor for the administrative year, 2021-2022: Divisions 1, 8, 10, 11 and 17.

Respectfully Submitted Edye Bryant KT Kiwanis Past Lieutenant Governor Association Secretary 2020-2021

JONESBORO

For eight years, since July 2014, Jonesborough, Tennessee has sponsored a Fourth of July parade. The Jonesborough Kiwanis Club entered a float in the 2021 parade. The basic design of the float was conceived by Randy Smythe and many other Kiwanians contributed time, funds, ideas and materials to its construction. Members of the Daniel Boone High School Key Club also helped. The men carrying the banner are Don Knight and Noah Beeber. The ladies dressed as Revolutionary War Patriots are Tessa Arney, Hailey Johnson, Allie Johnson, and Ashlyn Willocks.



JONESBORO



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT ON Michelle (Shellie) Garman



Michelle Garman, better known to many of us as Shellie, is a Kiwanian from Louisville (Kentucky) who is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Louisville. She may appear to be a Kentucky native, but she, like so many of us, is actually a native of another state.

Shellie was born in Jackson, Michigan and is the youngest of four children. There were two girls and two boys; one brother is now deceased. Her sister lives in Tucson, Arizona, the wife of a career army officer. Her surviving brother was a teacher and a baseball and wrestling coach and is now retired. Her mother was mainly a housewife although she did occasionally work as a department store clerk. Shellie's father went on the road as a professional musician at the age of 15. A man who could play several instruments proficiently, he was principally a saxophone and clarinet player traveling

and performing with big bands. He finally gave up life on the road to become a factory worker. However, he didn't give up his music and for many years he was a leader of his own small band playing locally wherever the family lived. They lived in a number of small Michigan towns including Jackson, Sturgis and Centreville, finally settling down in Mendon. Both of her parents are now deceased – her mother passed away just after Shellie graduated from high school and her dad passed away in 1989.

Shellie enjoyed school, managing to avoid attending a one-room school in one town by one street; the children across the street from her house DID go to a one room school. In high school she was a cheer leader for the football and basketball teams. Shellie helped start the Girl's Athletic Association in her high school and played on the girls' basketball team. She spent some free hours working in the library, was involved in school plays and in her senior year was a student member of the newspaper and yearbook staff. At the St. Joseph County Fair, she had opportunities to help friends with their animals and enjoyed washing pigs and feeding cows.

The school subjects Shellie liked best included geography, English literature and French. However, she revealed that she cannot speak French. Shellie's brother attended Jackson College in Jackson, Michigan and for that reason and because it was close to Ann Arbor, she enrolled in a general studies program in Jackson College, earning an Associate's degree. During the summers she worked at a local plastics factory in Mendon to earn enough money to pay for her college education. She was one of the first females to work in the Injection Molding Department of that factory.

The life of this Kiwanian illustrates something many of us have also experienced – things happen early in our



lives that predict our future but we don't know it at the time. For Shellie, it happened on her senior class trip; the teachers decided the class trip would take them to Kentucky. On that trip they visited Cave City, Mammoth Cave, in addition to several other caves in the area, and stayed in the Park Mammoth Lodge. At the time, she couldn't imagine that in the not too distant future she would make Kentucky her home.

Now if you don't know Shellie and haven't yet figured it out, we must tell you that she is married to Past Governor Mark. The picture on the left was taken in Hawaii at the Kiwanis International Convention, just before Governor-Elect Mark was inaugurated as the 2005-2006 governor of the KT District.

Shellie and Mark both lived in Mendon, Michigan and they first met in a church Sunday school class when she was 10 years old. For those who are thinking "love at first sight," we must tell you that romance didn't blossom until she was a high school senior. It was during a basketball game in which he was playing that she suddenly realized that he was the one for her. This innocent basketball star named Mark didn't know what was going on until it was too late and he discovered the Valentine card she left in his locker. They began dating and for their first date they went to see the Harlem Globe Trotters. Romance blossomed, and Mark was a student at the University of Michigan and a senior when they married in 1973. After a honeymoon in Toronto, Canada they established their first residence in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT ON Michelle (Shellie) Garman

Mark went to work as a teacher and Shellie worked in retail at Jacobson's Department Store in the clothing, houseware, and shoe departments. Teaching jobs were not highly lucrative and Mark went to work in management at Jacobson's Department Store. In 1989 they moved to Jackson, Michigan where they lived for five years, continuing to work for Jacobson's Department Store. They moved to Louisville, Kentucky in 1994 where Mark opened the new Jacobson's department store in that city. In Louisville, Shellie worked at the Northeast YMCA and soon was promoted to administrative assistant. She worked there for 19 years before retiring in 2013.

Encouraged by Mark, Shellie joined Kiwanis during the 2005-2006 administrative year when he was governor of the Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District. She eventually was appointed secretary of the St. Matthews Kiwanis Club which they had joined. They joined the Kiwanis Club of Louisville after St. Matthews Kiwanians gave up their charter. She served as an active participant in the many projects of the club and was elected club president for the 2019-2020 administrative year. Even though she has completed her year as president she continues to be an active and contributing member of the Kiwanis Club of Louisville.

Shellie and Mark love to travel and she still remembers, with great fondness, their trip to Hawaii where they took a ten-day cruise stopping at two different islands. There was also a 28-mile bicycle ride down a mountain in Maui. She remembers well the emotion of the visit to the site of the Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor. For another Kiwanis International convention, they traveled to Taiwan. There have been cruises to France where they visited Normandy and they have also visited Alaska.

One of my questions often is: "What has happened to you that is exciting or scary." Asked that question, Shellie related that on one occasion she was in a plane on approach for a landing at O'Hare Airport in Chicago. Suddenly the plane shot dramatically back up in the air. As everyone's nerves were beginning to settle down, the pilot announced what had happened. As they were coming in, he noticed that another plane was in the way. Fortunately for Shellie and her fellow passengers, they had a pilot who didn't look kindly on landing on top of other airplanes.

Shellie has many varied activities and hobbies that keep her busy when she isn't working for Kiwanis. She works in their yard, sews, does needlework, and loves to cook and bake. Louisville Kiwanians are very familiar with and look forward to cookies and cupcakes that she occasionally brings to the meetings for desert just because she wants to. We also remember the lovely quilts she has made that were sold at auction to raise money for the Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis Foundation. That's the kind of giving person Shellie is.

This busy Kiwanian is involved with a number of projects in her community, some of which are connected with her Kiwanian club. Like other Kiwanians, she rings the bell for the Salvation Army. Providing clothing for children is one of her projects, and at Christmas time she can be found at a local store shopping for clothes to be donated to needy kids. Shellie also volunteers to help at the annual YMCA Thanksgiving Day race, and since 1997 she has served as treasurer of the Home Owners Association.

Shellie Garman has been and continues to be supportive of Mark as she joins him in giving back to their community and the KT Kiwanis District. Much of what they do is done through their Kiwanis but a number of their volunteer activities go well beyond Kiwanis. We all can benefit from the inspiration of Shellie's care of and giving to others by caring and giving to those who are less fortunate than we. The next time you see Shellie, note her warm, caring smile and greet her with your own warm and caring smile. ◆

THE GOVERNOR'S DIVISION DINNERS

Governor David is a busy man, traveling to the KT District Division Dinners for the governor. These pictures were taken at the Governor's Dinner for Divisions 6, 9 and 13. In the first picture is Division 13 Lieutenant Governor Amanda Abell, Governor David, Division 6 Lieutenant Governor David Perry with Division 9 Lieutenant Governor Joan Kleine in front of the group. In the second picture with Governor David and Lieutenant Governor Joan from left to right are Butch McCoy and Herb Triplett from the Mount Sterling (Kentucky) Club. The Mount Sterling Kiwanis Club has had the highest 2020-2021 membership increase in the KT District.





IT'S ALL ABOUT THE KIDS

DARRELL OLSEN

The Kiwanis Club of Hardin County (Kentucky) was honored to present eight-year-old Mariah Pimentel her brand new Amtryke on June 16, 2021. This was the fourth Amtryke donated by the club. Hardin County Kiwanians have been working hard to support the Kids of Hardin County. Kiwanis members are generous with their time, are creative with ideas, are passionate about making a difference, and most of all have fun along the way. Some of those Kiwanians are seen in the accompanying pictures and include Anita Thomas, Darrell Olson, Kim Douglas, Sharon Post and Camila Falcon. We give thanks to the community that has given its support either by making cash donations or by dropping items in our collection boxes that were set-up around the community. That support has helped make possible the donation of over 5,000 socks, t-shirts, and underwear to our 16 Elementary Schools here in Hardin County! It's all about the Kids!



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THE LEXINGTON DUCK DERBY WENT SWIMMINGLY

Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Lexington (Kentucky), the First Annual Lexington Duck Derby took place June 12, 2021 on the lake at Lexington Green. Seven thousand ducks were launched and more than \$39,000 was raised from this event. Those funds will be used to help children in the Bluegrass region and beyond. Courtney who received an Amtryke that day can be seen in the first picture. In the third picture, left to right are Harry Van Epps, Tom Bunch and B. Gonzales.

COPPERHILL KIWANIS TO CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF SERVICE Dwight Watt

The Copperhill Kiwanis (Tennessee) will observe 100 years of service on November 2, 2021.

The celebration is scheduled for November 2, 2021 at Tooney's Event Center in downtown McCaysville. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with an open cash bar available. Appetizers will be served at 7 p.m. followed by a program and dinner. There also will be a silent auction.

Individual table seating is available for \$25 per seat and table sponsorships are available for \$250 and up. Further information is available at kiwanisofcopperhill@gmail.com The deadline for acquiring sponsorships is August 15, 2021.

This will be an excellent evening of celebration and memories. You are invited to come join the Copperhill Kiwanis in this long-term celebration. Proceeds from the event will go to the Copper Basin Schools.

THE COLUMBIA TENNESSEE 100 YEAR MEETING

On August 6 the Kiwanis Club of Columbia (Tennessee) will also celebrate 100 years of Kiwanis service to children and community.

KY-TN CLUB CLINIC KT District Secretary Fran Marion

How are new member dues calculated after October 1, 2021?



New members added to a club will pay new member prorated dues not new member add fees. "Dues" includes the magazine subscription and the cost of insurance. A club will be charged prorated dues for new members on a diminishing scale based on what month they join. The following September 30, the club will be billed full dues for the member. Kiwanis International and KT District dues will be collected by Kiwanis International. See sample below for the collection formula.

The month the new member is reported and the prorated percent.

October	12/12
November	11/12
December	10/12
January	9/12
February	8/12
March	7/12
April	6/12
May	5/12
June	4/12
July	3/12
August	2/12
September	1/12

New Members

Blue Grass

(The), Lexington Connie Erdmann

Jane Hollis

Bowling Green Sara Jones

Victoria Jones Chris Westray

Clarksville Race Johannessohn

Joseph Smith Jimmy Terry

Dover Mary Whitehead

East Brainerd,

Chattanooga Charles Holder

Erwin Penny Jones

Jonathan Lewis

Fayetteville Mark Tyler Edge

Frankfort Kelley Anderson

Georgetown Robert Story

Greater Music City Ginger Angelos

Ted Dreier

Hopkinsville Cassi Cato

Lexington Joel Schneider

Murfreesboro Ericka Downing

Paducah Kyle Fisher

Margaret Held

Pikeville Billy Kendrick

Putnam County Colin Long

Salyersville Jonathan Risner

Wilderness Road,

Harrogate Ryan Brown

Neal Pucciarelli

Winchester Kevin Trent

KI Convention



Appearing in this section of the KT Notes are pictures from the June 2021 Kiwanis International Convention in Salt Lake City. In the first picture, left to right, are Pete and Wanda Davis, Debra Jones, Governor David and First Lady Louise Coulter, and Vice Governor Dwight Watt.



In the second picture are: (in front) Louise and Governor David Coulter, (in the back) Debra Jones, Wanda Davis, Trustee Chuck Fletcher and KT Vice Governor Dwight Watt.

KI Convention

In the third picture are: First Lady Louise and Governor David Coulter in front, with Wanda and Pete Davis, Steve Frana and Debra Jones in the back. Seen in the fourth picture are Kiwanis International President-Elect Bert West and Governor David Coulter.



Key Club Summer Leadership Conference



Kiwanians at the Key Club Summer Leadership conference in Orlando Florida. Left to right are Steve Phillips, Dalton Adams, and Chuck Fletcher

2021 FOUNDATION GOLF TOURNAMENT Mark Garman

The 2021 convention plans for golf are ready for all players. The events, within the 18-hole scramble, will be a hole-in-one contest, the longest drive in the fairway for both men and women, closest to the pin, and the longest putt.



In addition, we will have a <u>special indoor putting contest</u> at the hotel. This putting contest will be open to all people attending the convention. Men, women, children (at least age 12), can compete in this hole-in-one contest to win \$5,000. Even if you have never held a club in your hands, we will allow you to attempt a long putt to win a grand prize of at least \$5,000. An entry fee will be charged.

Both events are fund raising events for the KT District Foundation which provides scholarships for children and grandchildren of Kiwanis members. We have also recently added grants for Amtrice purchases by clubs. Grants for disaster relief in the KT District are also available. All funds raised in the golf contests will help support these wonderful projects.

The KY-TN Kiwanis District Foundation operates a store at the Mid-Year Conference and at the Annual District Convention, offering logo apparel for Kiwanis Club members. We are able to provide shirts that are specific to a particular Kiwanis Club with their club name on the item. For the Annual District Convention, all clubs are asked to provide an item that can be used for the "Live and Silent Auctions" that are available throughout the convention. The Live Auction provides items for the Foundation Luncheon at the convention. This provides fun and excitement during the luncheon and raises funds for the Foundation's many projects. For any information regarding the Foundation, contact Norman Martin at 608-878-5985 or you can email him at this address: normanconnie04@gmail.com.



KT PARTNERSHIP WITH TAP

As we move ever further into the "Information Age", we increasingly rely on home-based computers for information, for education, for many aspects of modern life.



Children of economically disadvantaged families, lacking convenient access to a computer, face difficult educational and social problems. The new Kiwanis/TAP partnership provides an exciting opportunity for Kiwanians to serve the children of the KT District and for TAP to extend its reach.

A subsidiary of the nonprofit 1200-member

Tellico Village Computer Users Club, TAP is dedicated to providing complete computer systems at no cost to persons or families without home computing capability. Academically essential for students during normal times, this capability is vital during the health crisis and imposed on line classes.



TAP has been supplying systems since 2007. During that time, TAP has provided over 8,600 systems benefiting over 12,800 children in Kentucky and Tennessee!



TAP accepts donated computer equipment from families and businesses (a tax benefit may accrue from such donations). TAP refurbishes donated equipment (guaranteeing destruction of all data that might remain on the donated equipment), replacing and upgrading physical components as necessary. In addition, an operating system (currently Windows 10), utilities and office productivity software are installed.

The exciting Kiwanis/TAP partnership will provide essential educational opportunity to economically disadvantaged children throughout the Kiwanis Kentucky/Tennessee District. "For further information or to get started with the program, please contact Warren Sanders by email

at tap@tvcuc.org, by phone at (865) 332-5313 or by mail at 244 Lakeside Plaza, Loudon, TN 37774.

HIROSHI

Hiroshi is a member of a club in your division. He has expressed concern that his club is becoming more of a "coffee drinking club" than a service club. They are down to 5 members and haven't done a service project in years. They live in an area with a large population of underserved children. Hiroshi has confided in you that if a change isn't made soon, he will quit.

CONSIDER:

As Lt. Governor, how would you approach this situation?

Who could you engage to help you?

How can you empower Hiroshi to make the changes he wants to see?

AGE: 71

OCCUPATION: High School History Teacher

DIVISION





Recruiting new members has a huge impact on the community, the division, the district, Kiwanis International — and the entire world! For every person we bring into Kiwanis (whether into existing clubs or while opening new ones) we extend our service to another 206 children around the world. And when we bring together 15 people to open a new club, we can assist another 3,090 children.

It's all about **gaining more hands for service**. Now more than ever, kids and our communities need Kiwanis. And to extend the scope of our support, we need more members with new ideas and energies.

But to do our best and most meaningful work, we need happy members. What does your club do to ensure its members are getting what they want from the Kiwanis experience? Here are some ways to think about the value of a Kiwanis club membership.

1. Conduct a member survey

What do your members want from their Kiwanis club experience? When is the most convenient time to meet? Would members rather meet completely online? What service projects appeal to them?

2. Host social events outside of meeting time

Clubs thrive when members have fun. Get together for a dinner or a movie. Plan an adventure. Have fun off the Kiwanis clock.

3. Value and respect all members' opinions

Sometimes the same members seem to have all the ideas. But maybe they're just the ones most comfortable speaking up. Make it a point to hear from everyone.

4. Offer many service project opportunities

Hard labor isn't for everyone. Vary your projects. Offer one a month. Divide and conquer. Not everyone has to work every event.

5. Make club activities meaningful and relevant

Does your club know what your community really needs? If not, your service might go unnoticed. Take advantage of <u>Kiwanis' Achieving Club Excellence (ACE) tools</u> to ensure your programs and service address what your community needs. For more, visit kiwanis.org/acetools for more information