

# *Happy Kids, Healthy Kids*

Kentucky- Tennessee  
District Convention  
August 8-11, 2024  
Gatlinburg, Tennessee  
Park Vista Hotel

## **GATLINBURG**



**SAVE THE DATE**

# Tentative Agenda

Convention  
August 8-11, 2024

## THURSDAY

4:00 PM Office/ setup  
4:00 PM Foundation Sales & Silent Auction/ Putt-Putt Golf/ setup  
6:00 2023-2024 Finance Meeting  
2024-2025 Finance Meeting  
7:00 PM District Foundation Meeting

## FRIDAY

9:00 AM Office  
9:00 AM Foundation Sales & Silent Auction/ Putt-Putt Golf  
9:30 AM Registration & Credentials  
9:30 AM CLE Trainers  
1:00 PM First time Attendees  
1:30-4:30 CLE Training-President  
1:30-4:30 CLE Training- Secretary  
2:00-3:00 Board Meeting 2023-2024  
3:00-4:30 Board Meeting 2024-2025  
7:00 **Opening Session**

## SATURDAY

7:30-8:30 Past Lt. Governors Association Breakfast  
8:00 AM Office  
8:00 AM Registration & Credentials  
8:00 AM Foundation Sales & Silent Auction  
8:00 AM Foundation Putt-Putt Golf  
9:00 AM **General Session**

## SATURDAY

**Workshops**  
10:30-11:15 Give Your Club A Boost!  
10:30-11:15 If You Build It They Will Come  
10:30-11:15 KY-TN District Foundation  
10:30-11:15 Risk Management & Youth Protection  
11:30-12:15 What's the Best Job in Kiwanis / If you know you know!  
11:30-12:15 All those extra things our Secretaries want to know  
11:30-12:15 What's New with The KI Children's Fund  
11:30-12:15 Key Club - What Can Key Club Do for You  
12:30-1:45 **Foundation Lunch**  
*Free Afternoon Until Governor's FUN Retreat*  
2:00 KT "K-Toss" Tournament  
6:30 **Governor's FUN Retreat**  
TBD Past Governor's Meet with Lynn & Jim

## SUNDAY

*Breakfast on Your own*  
7:00 Office  
Credentials  
8:00 **Memorial**  
9:30 **Closing Session/ House of Delegates**

### **Call to Convention**

Pursuant to Article VIII, Section 4, of the District Bylaws, this is a call to each chartered club to the annual district convention to be held August 8-11, 2024 in Gatlinburg, TN. Registration Form will available in the KT Notes, be posted on the Web, and online registration will be advertised.

Frances L. Marion, District Secretary/Treasurer



*Governor's Fun Night*

*Men: casual attire,*

*Women: casual attire.*

**Conference-** casual attire

# Message from Governor Jim

Dear Kiwanis Members,

## **Subject: Invitation to the Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention**

We are thrilled to extend a warm invitation to all esteemed members of the Kiwanis family to join us at the upcoming Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention. This year's convention promises to be a remarkable event filled with opportunities for fellowship, learning, service and fun.

### **Event Details:**

- **Dates:** August 8th - 11th, 2024
- **Location:** Park Vista Hotel, 705 Cherokee Orchard Road, Gatlinburg, TN.

The convention will kick off on Thursday, August 8th, 2024 with the Finance Committee meetings , followed by KT Foundation Board Meeting. The following days will continue with a series of sessions, and service projects designed to inspire and empower our members. We will also be recognizing outstanding service and electing our district leaders for the coming year.

### **Highlights Include:**

- Inspirational keynote speaker
- Interactive workshops on leadership and community service
- Service project benefiting a local children's hospital
- Governors Fun Retreat, games, SLP Carnival
- Opportunities to network with fellow Kiwanians
- KT Foundation Luncheon
- KT Foundation Store
- Past Lt Governors Breakfast

Your participation is crucial to the success of this convention, as it is your dedication and commitment that drive our organization forward. Let us come together to celebrate our achievements, share best practices, and set new goals for the future.

We look forward to welcoming you to an enriching experience that will undoubtedly leave us all inspired to continue our valuable work in the community.

Warm regards,

Jim Gazay

Governor

Kentucky Tennessee

# Message from PR Cook Finance Chair

I joined Kiwanis in November 1987. My only reason for joining was to help those in my community. But after attending my first District Convention, that all changed. due to the information obtained and the interaction with other members of Kiwanis. I encourage every member of our District Clubs to attend a District Convention. Especially this year. Gatlinburg is a great City with an abundance of things to do when the Convention is not in session.

I have served as District Finance Chair for several years now, under the leadership of several Governors. Fran Marion and I, along with Past Finance Chair Bud Lane, and the various District Boards have tried to watch expenses and keep district dues low. At this time, our district dues of 20.00 is the lowest in the US. After 25 years, Governor Jim Gazay and his Board have decided now is the time to increase district dues by \$5.00 per year. I applaud their leadership in this regard. It is a very difficult decision to present any increase to the membership.

While this amount, based on current membership, will not be sufficient to balance our annual budget, I encourage each Club in good standing in the District to register their three delegates and vote on the proposed increase.

I realize Kiwanis International is asking for an increase of \$25.00 per year at the International Convention in July. The total increase of \$30.00 is \$2.50 per month. All of us understand increased costs over the past few years for everyday items. These increases also affect the District finances.

Many of you may not be aware of the many challenges facing the District. Rising costs of convention facilities has been rather remarkable in the last few years which complicates negotiations that are suitable for our Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis family. Additionally, the increase in food prices, AV support, employee costs and other costs associated with providing services to our organization have risen as well. This is not only true for the Mid-Year Conference and the District Convention, but for all other meetings and training sessions during the year.

Of course, our organization is member driven. An increase in membership benefits our budget. While we are not trying to make money at our District meetings, an increase in our attendance would help to at least break even.

I encourage all members to consider attending the District Convention and all Delegates to vote yes for the dues increase. I hope that your belief in our district and your dedication to this organization we call Kiwanis will result in your attendance. Let's get together and take care of business while enjoying the time spent together.

My cell phone number is 423-802-4085 if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything about our District.

# Vice Governor Candidate



## Why I Want to Be Governor by Montee Sneed

I've dedicated my life to community service and Kiwanis is one of the pillars of that life. Changing the world one child, one community at a time is a meaningful mission. Growing up on a farm, there was never time to sit around. The phrase, "when you're green you grow, when you're ripe you rot" was hammered into my brain. Status quo is abhorrent to me. Across the world, Kiwanians are strengthening and improving their communities. It is important work. Civic involvement means we should never be satisfied with our clubs or communities. There are many kids who need our help. Join me in a mission of "Protecting our Children through Kiwanis".

*Montee*

## Important Reminders



Come early to enjoy all Friday activities and take time to see Gatlinburg!

Get your hotel room and register by **July 12<sup>th</sup>** to get Kiwanis rate.  
Remember **group code is KTK**

East Tennessee Children's Hospital  
Convention Service Project

106<sup>th</sup> District Convention  
August 8-11, 2024  
Gatlinburg, TN

Official Program

*Happy Kids. Healthy Kids*

KY-TN District  
of Kiwanis



Support the official program  
by placing an ad by **July 12, 2024**

## Support the KY-TN Foundation

**Auction**

**K-TOSS**

**PUTT PUTT**

# East Tennessee Children's Hospital

## Convention Service Project

Please choose items from the list below and place in a reusable shopping bag with handles and bring to the convention. Clubs can contribute one or more bags but please do not deviate from the list below. There will be a table close to registration for your donation.

Craft Kits

UNO Card Games- this is a much-needed item!

Coloring Book and Crayons

Play- Doh

Lego Sets

Board Games suitable for pre-school and school age children

Journals and Colored Pencil Sets

Barbie Dolls and Clothes

Matchbox Cars

Bubbles

Push/Pull or Pop Up Toys

Etch-A-Sketch or Magna Doodle

### **The following items cannot be accepted**

Materials with a religious theme

Used items such as dolls, stuffed animals, cardboard games, books, and puzzles

Rubber/ latex items

*Happy Kids. Healthy Kids*



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Kiwanis Club of \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Division \_\_\_\_\_

Guest Name \_\_\_\_\_

**First Time Attendee?** Yes  No

First Time Attendees session Friday at 12:30

### Registration Options

**Full Registration** includes 2 meals (*Saturday Lunch and Saturday Fun Night*) and all convention functions. **Do not add meals for full registration.**

Before August 2<sup>nd</sup> 165.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

After August 2<sup>nd</sup> & Onsite 185.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Only** includes workshops and all convention functions, however **no meals** are included.

Before August 2<sup>nd</sup> 130.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

After August 2<sup>nd</sup> & Onsite 150.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

### Additional Meal for Registration Only & Guests

Governor's Fun Night 50.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

Foundation Luncheon 47.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

### Past Lt. Governors Association Breakfast and Perspective Members

*A TICKETED EVENT 37.00 per ticket*

37.00 x \_\_\_\_\_

Please make Payment to KT District

### Club Leadership Education

**Friday August 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:30-4:30**

Please mark your 24-25 office for class materials  
President  Secretary

Treasurer

Any club member may attend

**Make your hotel reservations by July 12, 2024**  
to receive Kiwanis room rate.

Group Code KTK

**The Park Vista - a DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel**  
**Gatlinburg, Tennessee**

705 Cherokee Orchard Rd,  
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

T: 800-421-7275

129.00 \*Plus, applicable taxes

**Parking fee 10.00 per day**

Check In 4:00 PM / Check Out 11:00 PM

### Special Interest

**Keynote Speaker Ronda Paulson- Opening session**

**Project-East Tennessee Children's Hospital**

### Payment

Please return completed form with payment:

Make Check payable to:

**KY-TN District Convention**

**PO Box 4327**

**Lexington, KY 40544**

[ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org](mailto:ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org)

**Register on line at [ktkiwanian.org](http://ktkiwanian.org)**

**On line registration opens June 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Reserve your hotel room today!**

**No Refunds after July 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Dietary Restrictions –Guest or Registrant?**

Gluten Free

Vegetarian

No Sugar

## KY-TN Convention Program Advertisements

Whole Page	(3.75 x 8)	\$125.00
Half Page	(3.75 x 3.75)	\$75.00
Business Card	(3.75 x 2.25)	\$40.00

All ads are black and white however there are three **full page color ads on the inside front and back cover available for 150.00 each.**

Camera-ready (jpg. or png. Files are best) art must be supplied by advertiser.  
**Copy and check must be submitted by July 12, 2024.**

Please make check payable to:

**KY-TN KIWANIS DISTRICT CONVENTION  
P.O. Box 4327  
Lexington, KY 40544  
Phone: 859-721-5685**

Ads may be emailed to [ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org](mailto:ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org)

I would like to participate in this advertisement opportunity with the Kentucky- Tennessee District of Kiwanis.

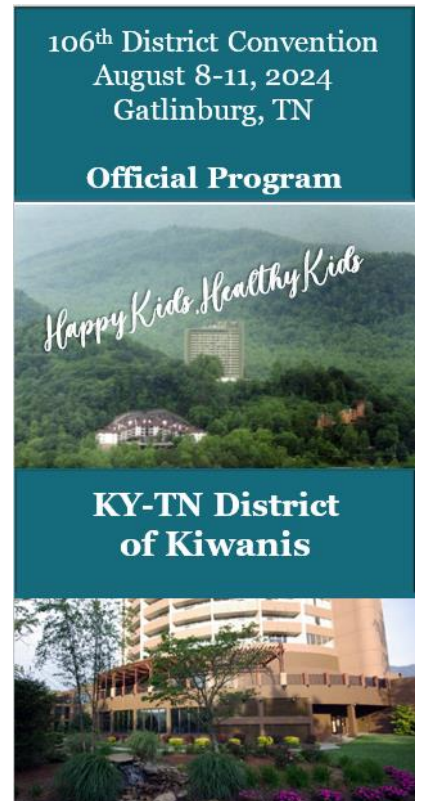
Name, Club, or Company \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment must accompany ad.**





**The 2023-2024 Workshops have been prepared for you by Governor- Elect  
Claire Crouch**

**Saturday August 10<sup>th</sup> Workshops  
10:30-11:15**



**Give Your Club A Boost!**

**Carol Wisdom**

Need more members to help care for your community? Come and find out how to ignite your club.



**If You Build It They Will Come**

**Patsy Russell**

A robust Builders Club is a great way to get middle school students engaged in leadership at an early age. Learn how to successfully build a club in your community.



**KY-TN District Foundation**

**Norman Martin & Montee Sneed**

What does the Foundation mean to you?



**Risk Management & Youth Protection**

**Charles Ridenour**

How to reduce your chances of getting sued.

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**What's the best job in Kiwanis?**

**Bruce Damrow**

If you know you know!



**All those extra things our Secretaries want to know**

**Lynn Hutchinson**

A round table discussion



**What's new with the KI Children's Fund**

**Sue Fleschner**



**Key Club**

**Steve Phillips & Team**

What Can Key Club do for you?



### **Past Lt. Governor Association and Prospective Members Breakfast**

All Past Lt. Governor Association members and prospective members are invited to attend a breakfast meeting on Saturday morning at District Convention. Cost \$37.00 - a ticketed event.

Come learn about the opportunities to work with the association to assist in the KT District.

Come learn about a program to assist your local club with membership growth.

PR Cook  
Treasurer, PLGA

# **Kiwanis**

**Kentucky - Tennessee District Convention**

*Night Of*

**Governor Jim's Fun Retreat**

**Join us**

**Saturday, August 10th @ 6:30pm**

*Come Experience The Kiwanian Fellowship! Don't Miss Out!  
There will be fun for everyone.*

*Line-Dancing, Corn Hole Challenge, Golf Putting, Carnival,  
Finger Foods, and Drinks.*

**Are You Up For The Challenge?**





# KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Ronda Paulson, and her husband Corey, answered a calling to provide physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children on one of the worst days of their lives – Removal Day. It was in their own Path Training (to become Foster Parents) that they learned what a typical removal day looked like for children and then they saw first-hand with their now adopted son, Isaiah’s removal day. Ronda knew something needed to be done to reduce the trauma for these children and to lighten the very heavy load of the case workers. What if there was a home? Isaiah 117 House opened its first red door in Carter County, TN in 2018. There are now (as of this writing) 22 open homes, and another 35 in various stages of opening. The mission is now serving 13 states and continues to grow.



## MESSAGE TWO FROM PR-DISTRICT FINANCE CHAIR

I am comprising this message as a member of the Kentucky-Tennessee District of Kiwanis International. Our District will be holding its District Convention in Gatlinburg on August 8-11. There will be several events at the Convention which will affect our District. We will be voting on dues increase proposal, electing future leadership, training and educating, and working with the Past Lt. Governors Association on how we can assist clubs in the District.

I want to let each member of our District just how much I appreciate you taking the **first step** by joining your local Club. When you joined, you probably did so, as I did, to provide assistance to your local area. Since joining in 1987, I have learned that there is much more to Kiwanis. Do not get me wrong, it all starts with the individual members and the members comprising the local club. I also want everyone to know that when you joined Kiwanis International, you also became a member of the Kentucky-Tennessee District, Kentucky-Tennessee District Foundation, and Kiwanis International Children’s Fund.

I encourage all members to take the next step by becoming a part of your clubs’ leadership and following up with becoming a part of the District Leadership. The District is struggling to provide Lt. Governors in each Division. I cannot over emphasize the importance of having a Lt. Governor in each Division. We need members to serve the District in this capacity. I am not going to tell you that it will not involve any time and/or money but I do want all to know “You cannot out-give the return, your participation in Kiwanis provides to you”. The personal satisfaction of your service will far outweigh your efforts.

I hope your **next step** will be to attend the District Convention and become involved in our organization.

# KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE KIWANIS FOUNDATION NEWS FOR DISTRICT CONVENTION

Dear Fellow Kiwanians:

The KY TN Foundation Board will host the First Annual K-Toss in conjunction with our Annual Putt Putt at District in Gatlinburg.

The K-Toss Tournament will be \$20.00/Person Pre-Registration or \$25.00/person at the door . We also have an option for a 2-Person Team with an Event Sign for \$125.00.

The K-Toss Tournament will follow the Foundation Luncheon.

Putt Putt Hole Sign will be \$100.

Putt Putt is "Pay as you Play "at 5.00 a Putt or 3 Putts for \$10.00.

We will have a play off at both events.

So get your K-Toss throwing arm in shape and practice your putting swing because both events will be showcased at District.

Please encourage you club to support a team with a sign for your club showing your support.

Lynn Fant

Foundation President







*Plan to come early and enjoy the sights!*







# Kiwaniis<sup>®</sup>

## KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE DISTRICT

### CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

Kiwaniis Club

Of \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Div. \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that the following members of this club are duly elected delegates and alternates.

#### DELEGATE

#### EMAIL ADDRESS

- |          |       |
|----------|-------|
| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |

#### ALTERNATES

#### EMAIL ADDRESS

- |          |       |
|----------|-------|
| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

Club President

Club Secretary

### OTHER REPRESENTATION (Current or Past Lieutenant Governor)

#### MEMBER NAME

#### MEMBER EMAIL

#### DISTRICT SECRETARY SIGNATURE

NOTE: Section 6. At any district convention, each club shall be entitled to seat up to three (3) delegates, two (2) of whom should be the club president and president-designate, as well as nominate three alternates who may serve if any delegate is absent. Club delegates and alternates shall be active members of the clubs they represent. However, the Lieutenant Governor or a past Lieutenant Governor may represent any club in their division not otherwise represented by three delegates. Delegates shall be elected by each club prior to the convention and certified to the district by the club president and secretary. A current or past Lieutenant Governor representing a club may be certified by the Credentials Committee or its designee. No club delinquent in the payment of District Dues shall be considered in good standing.

Section 10. There shall be no voting by proxy or absentee ballot.

*This form does not constitute a convention registration. Use Official Registration Form for this purpose.*

PLEASE MAIL OR EMAIL BY JULY 25.  
Mail to: K-T District Office. P.O Box 4327 Lexington, KY40544

District Office at [ktdistrict@kvtнкиwanis.org](mailto:ktdistrict@kvtнкиwanis.org)