

KT NOTES

Kentucky-Tennessee District of Kiwanis

GOVERNOR CLAIRE CROUCH

Dear Fellow Kiwanians:



Mark your calendars! The Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention is headed to Pikeville, KY this August 14 through 17th! This is an incredible opportunity you will not want to miss.

Why should YOU attend the District Convention?

* **Elevate Your Kiwanis Impact:** Discover innovative ways to serve the children of the world. Learn from successful projects, gain fresh ideas for fundraising, and find innovative ideas to grow your club and enhance your community impact.

* **Grow Personally and Professionally:** Attend workshops designed to sharpen your leadership and management skills. These are invaluable tools that extend beyond your Kiwanis service.

* **Connect with Fellow Kiwanians:** Immerse yourself in the camaraderie of like-minded individuals. Reconnect with old friends, forge new friendships, and expand your network of Kiwanians throughout the district. Shared service builds enduring bonds.

* **Stay Informed and Inspired:** Hear from our District leadership. Gain insights into our broader vision of Kiwanis International. Understand the latest initiatives and how you can play a vital role.

* **Experience Pikeville:** Explore the charm and hospitality of Pikeville, KY. Come play golf on their beautiful Raven Rock golf course and help support our KT District Foundation in the process. Participate in the bear parade! Come see The Cut while dining at the overlook and participating in our Mystery Dinner compliments of our Murfreesboro Club.

Our District Convention is more than just meetings; it's a chance to reinvigorate your passion for service, gain valuable knowledge, and strengthen the bonds that make our Kiwanis family so special.

Don't miss out on this enriching experience! Details on registration, the agenda, accommodations and more are included here in KT Notes, on the website, with your clubs and the district office. Start planning and register now.

What a great day to be a Kiwanian! I can't wait to see you all there,

B. Claire Crouch
Kentucky-Tennessee Governor 2024-2025



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Deadline = July 5

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Article Submission
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November 15
Article Submission
Deadline = November 5

Articles, pictures, and club bulletins can be
emailed to news@kytnkiwanis.org

THE IMPORTANCE OF INCLUDING PICTURES
cannot be overstated.

PICTURES WITH KIWANIS LOGOS AND
EMBLEMS ARE THE BEST.

Plan to attend the 107th KY-TN District Convention!
Go to ktkiwanian.org for online registration

Please send all your exciting club news
to

news@kytnkiwanis.org

Editor: Lynn Hutchinson

**2025 KT District Convention
Appalachian Wireless Center
Pikeville, KY**

Name _____ Division _____
(One Kiwanian per form) (1-19)
Club Name _____ KY ☐ TN ☐ GA ☐ VA ☐
Cell Phone _____ Email _____
Spouse or Guest _____

Early Registration (Includes 2 meals listed below)	Early Registration 165.00 x _____ = _____	Late Registration (07-23-25) 185.00 x _____ = _____
Registration Only-No Meals	135.00 x _____ = _____	155.00 x _____ = _____
Banquet with Governor (Banquet included with full registration)		49.00 x _____ = _____
Foundation Luncheon (Lunch included with full registration)		29.00 x _____ = _____
		Total _____

**Early Registration Ends July 22nd
No refunds after July 22nd**

Special Food Requirements:
Vegetarian ☐ Gluten Free ☐

I plan to attend CLE Friday August 15, 2025 YES ☐ NO ☐

Office you are training for:

President ☐

Secretary ☐

Are you a first-time attendee?

YES ☐ NO ☐

CLE Training
1:30-4:30 PM

To make room reservations please call: Hampton Inn
831 Hambley Blvd. Pikeville, KY 41501
606-432-8181

Reservation listed
under
Kiwanis 2025

Room Rate is 139.00 per night plus taxes. This rate is good until July 22nd

Please send registration form and payment to: KY-TN District of Kiwanis
PO Box 4327
Lexington, KY 40544

Please make check payable to KT District of Kiwanis International
Questions? Please call 859-721-5685 or email ktdistrict@kytnkiwanis.org

Register on line at
Ktkiwanian.org



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KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE DISTRICT

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES

Kiwanis 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

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

ALTERNATES

EMAIL ADDRESS

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| 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 22.

Mail to: K-T District Office, P.O Box 4327 Lexington, KY 40544

District Office at ktdistrict@kvtnkiwanis.org

A Message of Gratitude and Challenge for the Future

Sometimes, we forget to truly appreciate the people around us. The other day, I walked out to the road to meet the Waste Management team picking up my weekly trash. I could tell they were bracing themselves, probably expecting a complaint. But instead, I simply said, "Thank you for what you do." One of the workers was so surprised, he gave me a hug. I was taken aback by his reaction—it reminded me how powerful a simple "thank you" can be.

Today, I want to extend that same heartfelt appreciation to the **Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis District:**

1. 🙏 Thank you for your **financial support and generous gifts.**
2. 🎉 Thank you for your **help and the fun times** we shared at the Kiwanis International Convention.
3. 🤝 Thank you for your **beautiful gift of volunteerism.**
4. ⌚ Thank you for **giving me your valuable time.**

We may have come up short in some ways, but we were still winners in so many others. The spirit, the effort, and the unity we showed were victories in themselves.

Now, let me offer a challenge:

Let's continue to be strong.

Let's encourage one another with positive support.

Let's play as a team—united, energized, and focused.

I'm ready to give my full support to the **District, the Divisions, and our local clubs.**

It's time to start preparing for a powerful 2025–2026 year.

I AM READY. ARE YOU?

Chuck Fletcher



**Teams Needed!
Don't Miss Out!
Register by July**

Plan for success by seeking your training as a club leader in 2025-2026

“A plan is a list of actions arranged in whatever sequence is thought likely to achieve an objective.” — *John Argenti*



Why would you join a service organization?

Number 1 reason

Belief in an organization's mission

Members want to support

- Helping children
- Fighting disease
- Providing clean water
- Saving mothers and children

Rediscovering your community

- Determine current community needs
- Connect with others who care
- Ensure you're making an impact where needed.

Hilldale, Clarksville

Club Delivers 265 Easter Baskets
By Amanda Thompson, President

Six years ago the Department of Children Services (DCS) spoke about their foster care program in Montgomery County, TN at a Hilldale club meeting. The Hilldale club wanted to help these families with any unmet needs. The supervisor with the DCS Foster Families program suggested that Kiwanis provide Easter baskets for the children. From there, an impactful service project was formed. The Hilldale Kiwanis Club has since provided over 900 Easter baskets for children in foster care.

This spring Foster Care needed 165 baskets for kids in Clarksville/Montgomery County. Hilldale set a goal to complete 200 baskets from pre-school through middle school. Hilldale is involved with other organizations in the city and county and knows there are more kids who would love an Easter basket. This year the club contributed 265 to local organizations that have a positive impact with children: DCS, Uirban Ministries, Loaves & Fishes, YaiPak Outreach, Mental Health Court, and HOPE Pregnancy Center.

Hilldale Service Leadership Programs (SLP) contributed to this service project. The Key Clubs contributed 130 baskets and K-Kids filled plastic eggs with candy and encouraging words to go in the baskets. A club member in the 3-D printing business made Easter bunnies to go in each basket. Many friends and family members contributed – as we hear a lot these days that many finished products have components from many sources - All baskets were inspected by Kiwanians and then wrapped in cellophane and tied with a bow before delivery.



To find out more about Hilldale Kiwanis you can follow us on Facebook

(<https://www.facebook.com/hilldalekiwanis>) or e-mail the club at: hilldalekiwanisclarksville@gmail.com

Note: This article appeared in print and online local newspapers. The club calculated 56.5 hours of Kiwanian service plus the 130 baskets and 500 eggs provided by SLP (hours not calculated).





Richmond Kiwanis

Past Governor Glen Kleine

The Kiwanis Club of Richmond hosted Bingo for Kentucky Special Olympics at Eastern Kentucky University on Saturday, June 7. This was the 30th anniversary that the Kentucky Special Olympics has met on the Eastern Kentucky University campus.



Division 9 Council Meeting

Past Governor Glen Kleine

The Division 9 Council of the Kentucky-Tennessee District of Kiwanis International held a meeting in Mt. Sterling, KY on Thursday, June 19.

K-T Governor Claire Crouch was the key note speaker at the meeting.

Organizing the meeting was 2023-25 Lt. Gov. Kevin Zachary.

The Division 9 Lt. Gov., for 2025-2026, Steve Burchett was introduced to the Division 9 Kiwanians attending the meeting.

Clubs with representation at the Division meeting were Fleming County, Irvine- Ravenna, Menifee County, Mt. Sterling and Richmond.

K-T Governor Claire Crouch gave a spirited key note speech at the division meeting.



24-25 LTG Kevin Zachary, 25-26 LTG Steve Burchett, Governor Claire Crouch





Kiwanis Fill the Bus Project
Kiwanis Club of Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, U.S.
Kentucky-Tennessee District

The top 20 finalists!

For the past decade, the Wilson County School District's Family Resource Center (FRC) has relied on the **Kiwanis Club of Mt. Juliet's Fill the Bus Project**. The club invites the community to a Wal-Mart parking lot twice a year to fill a school bus with donations of food, school supplies, clothing and toiletries for families referred to the FRC for assistance. As the school district grows, the number of families in need increases. Between 2014 and 2024, the Fill the Bus Project has collected an estimated US\$75,000 in supplies that have helped over 1,000 people. According to the FRC's coordinator, who became a Kiwanian because of the Fill the Bus Project, this drive provides a majority of the supplies distributed each year, and they would have difficulty operating without it.

Congratulations

Kiwanis Club of Maryville

Pete Davis

Maryville Kiwanis sponsors the Volunteer State Aktion Club. The two clubs meet each month and work on special projects. The members are adults of all ages living with various disabilities. This is what Kiwanis is all about.

