



# Kiwanis

## Division 5 Newsletter

### Kentucky-Tennessee District



Governor: David Olinger

Lt. Gov.: Bob Palmer

*Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time.*

December, 2007

Christmas is upon us. May we who are Christians, take time to pause and celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. This time of year is also a time for those of other religious expressions to celebrate significant events in their faith journey.

#### Division Goals

- 12% Net Membership Gain - Minimum
- 10% Increase in service hours over last year
- Rebuild two small clubs
- Have fun as we meet and serve

Most Kiwanis clubs are doing special projects for the children and youth of their communities to help them celebrate Christmas. Some children might not receive a Christmas gift except for what a Kiwanis club provides. Most clubs are involved in the Salvation Army bell ringing to help raise money to provide for needy children and families.

### Governor's Official Visit and Division Council Meeting

- Date:** January 18, 2008
- Time:** 6:00 p.m. Division Council Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Dinner and Program
- Location:** Five Oaks Convention Center behind the Oak Tree Lodge Motel (across from Five Oaks Mall and beside the Olive Garden Restaurant in Sevierville).
- Cost:** \$20.00 per person, tax and gratuity included
- Catered by:** Damon's in Sevierville
- RSVP by: January 10, 2008**

Please make all reservations through your club. Have your members pay your club and the club would then just write one check to cover all from your club attending the event.

Mark your calendars for this event. Presidents and secretaries are urged to attend the Division Council Meeting since they make up the Division Council. Other Kiwanians are welcome.

Please make every effort to have as many of your members as possible attend this function. Good fellowship, fine food and an interesting evening are on the agenda.

Let's strive to have 125 in attendance, demonstrating our support for Gov. David. This is an excellent opportunity to get some inter-clubs. I'm challenging you larger clubs to bring enough members for three inter-clubs. Small clubs should have one inter-club and the others, at least two.

We have worked at keeping the cost as low as possible at \$20.00 per person. The menu will consist of pork loin, fresh vegetables, potatoes and dessert provided by Damon's. This is a bargain.

## **December & January Considerations:**

### **Has your club:**

- Made your Annual Club Gift of \$5.00 per member to the KI Foundation?
- Committed to achieving a monthly net membership gain of at least one percent (1)% for a total of at least 3 percent net gain by the end of December, the first quarter?
- Developed a plan for membership retention. (Do you have a calling committee who contacts members that miss meetings, or some other system to let your members know they are important to your club?)
- Reviewed progress toward achieving awards for your club?
- Initiated 1st Lady Betty's Diversity in Reading project?
- Actively supported your sponsored clubs?
- Made plans to have several members attend the Governor's Official Visit to our Division and the accompanying Division Council Meeting? All clubs should be represented and every club should have an inter-club. (Suggestions above)
- Paid your dues to Kiwanis International if your club's anniversary date is September, October, November or December? Those dues are due by December 31

### **Calendar of Events.**

December 25, 2007	CHRISTMAS - Have a great time celebrating the birth of our Savior!
January 1, 2008	New Years Day - Have a great day watching your favorite bowl games AND expect a great 2008!
January 18, 2008	Governor's Official Visit and Division Council Meeting - Sevierville
February 22-23, 2008	District Mid-year Conference, Double Tree Guest Suites, Lexington, KY
March 28-29, 2008	Key Leader - Camp Wesley Woods, Townsend, TN
April 14, 2008	Division Election / Division Council Meeting
May 6, 2008	Division Prayer Dinner with Don Canaday, International President-Elect as our speaker
June 25-28	Kiwanis International Convention - Orlando, FL
September 5-7, 2008	90th KY-TN District Convention, Meadowview Marriott, Kingsport, TN

Doris and I wish you, your families, and all your club members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a rich and fulfilling 2008!

Bob Palmer, Lt. Governor