



NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS

By Lou Livengood, Club President

Yes, it's difficult to believe. Another year has gone by and it occurs to me that this is as good a time as any to think about the year ahead and wonder what we, as a valued service club in our community, can accomplish.

To digress from this mission for just a moment, it is also an appropriate time to reflect on the positive accomplishments made by our club during 2007. At the top of the list is the positive feeling we all receive by pulling together to successfully complete fundraising events and to know that the money earned will be used for worthwhile causes such as providing books for children and college scholarships. We also receive positive feedback knowing that we make a real contribution our hands-on service projects, including our new Terrific Kids program, our hospital doll program, helping young adults with our successful Loudon H.S. Key Club, and volunteering with Habitat and our adopt a house project.

It is my hope that as we move forward into the New Year we will find even more ways to get each member involved with projects that will allow them to discover the joy of giving of their time and talents to projects that they find interesting and worthwhile. As I write this, I am not absolutely sure how to make this happen but am confident that every member can help to lead us in the right direction. For starters, we will be working with committee chairs to review current service projects and member participation. **Input and ideas from all members are encouraged.**

Our able club treasurer, Wayne Zarnecki, has just completed tax forms for our Foundation account's fiscal year ending September 30. I thought you would like to know the dollars that have been dispersed during this time period:

Adopt a House - \$1100

Various School Programs - \$6500

Loudon County Education Foundation - \$2200

Child Advocacy Center - \$5000 (a larger amount than usual for their building program)

Back to School Gift Card Program - \$3000

This is a substantial amount of money, but because of the success of our income producing projects, we will have even more money available to help more people during the coming year. My vision and hope for the New Year is for all club members to imagine what we can accomplish to help those in need in our area. Let's continue to pull together to achieve what is possible with a united effort from our membership.

January Meeting Date Changes

Please mark your calendars for meeting day changes in January. Because the first Tuesday falls on January 1st, we will meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays – January 12th and 26th.

SALVATION ARMY BELL-RINGING WRAP-UP

The big news is that together, we raised about \$7,000.00 for Salvation Army. Jim Stiegler is walking on air right now. He said, "I am so grateful that people can take time to do this (ring bells) and I hope it makes your holiday season the brighter for it."

We published a list of ringers in our last issue. Thirty-one Kiwanians, six spouses, and Linda Morrison covered our time slots.

Thanks to you all and Happy New Year.

Helen Nicholson

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

A wonderful time was had by all at the December Christmas Program at the December 18th meeting.

The Rare Notes of Rarity Bay provided an outstanding Christmas music presentation. Members and spouses responded enthusiastically and with appreciation for their cheerful singing.



Don Klein receives a much deserved recognition certificate from our club presented by immediate past-president, Scott Mathot. The framed certificate recognizes the excellent contribution Don made to Kiwanis Clubs in Division 4 and for starting a major new club in Dayton, TN.

The club enjoyed a special presentation. Bo Shafer, past International President, joined the meeting. After some enthusiastic words of encouragement for all Kiwanians and Al Porell in particular, Bo presented Al, Past K-T District Governor, with the Bo Shafer Foundation Award. Al is now one of "Bo's Buccaneers".



SPECIAL EVENTS FOR JANUARY

BIRTHDAYS

Jan 2 Howie Klotz
 Jan 6 John Holmes
 Jan 7 Jeff Durrie
 Jan 18 Paul. Thornton
 Jan 25 Frank Thomas

GREETERS SCHEDULE

(Be available by 11:00AM please)

January Farrell Bruner and Bob Sandel
 February Bob Frazer and Ron Barker

ANNIVERSARYS

Jan 22 Dave Miller

THE TELLICO PARKWAY LITTER PICK-UP SCHEDULE

January 16-31

Wody King
 Jim Acker
 Donna Akey
 Wayne Zarneki
 Clarence Zak*

* Denotes Captain

MEETING SCHEDULE 2008

Date	Time	Program Host	Speaker	Topic
January 8	10:00 AM	Fred Wicht	TBA	
January 22	12: 00 PM	Pete Wilcox	TBA	
January 22	1:15 PM	Board Meeting		
February 5	12:00 PM	Doug Banister	TBA	
February 19	12:00 PM	Larry Williams	TBA	
February 19	1:15 PM	Board Meeting		