

Kiwanigram of Skidaway

Bi-Monthly Newsletter of Kiwanis Club of Skidaway

Georgia District 4 — Savannah, GA — Oct/Nov 2017



2017-18 President Tom Stephens

Message from the President

Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

Our fund raisers are off to a great start with a very successful Chili Cook-Off. The event was so successful thanks to the efforts and organizational skills of Bobby Gillham and his team. Thanks also to Rudy Halbart, Raffle Chair, all available raffle tickets were sold. This event gave us a solid foundation to build upon to achieve our Club's Fundraising Goal this year of \$100,000.

To better communicate with every Kiwanian and to make sure your leadership team is listening, a number of Board Liaisons have been established to oversee key areas of the club. The Board Liaisons and the activities under his/her cognizance are provided for your reference. Please give all of these Liaisons and Committee Chairs listed your support with your time and talents when asked to serve. Without your volunteerism and participation, we (continued on page 2)

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FORMULA
LOVE IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.

 **Philharmonic in the streetz**
Sunday, November 19, 2017
1pm-4pm
Greenbriar Children's Center
3709 Hopkins Street, Savannah

Serving the at-risk children of Savannah, one child at a time... 1

President's Message *(continued from page 1)*

would not be able to accomplish all that we do each year for the at-risk children in Savannah.

Please address any opportunities or thoughts on how to make our club better with the Liaisons and Committee Chairs. Communication is key to our success.

Membership Liaison – Ben Gustafson

- Orientation
- Recruiting New Members + Welcome
- Retention
- Education

Programs Liaison – Dave Fox

- Weekly Meeting Arrangements (Set-Up) – Kevin O’Neil
- Greeters – Thom Greenlaw
- Speakers (Weekly Club Meetings) – Jack Sherrill
- Special Events
 - 30th Anniversary – Jan Wright
 - Socials – Jim Smart
 - Field Trips – TBA (Assistance needed for Jack Sherrill)

Publicity / Marketing Liaison – Jan Wright

- Local Community (Landings) – Lydia Moore
 - Landings Club TV’s (Weekly)
 - Landings Association Bulletin Board (Weekly)
 - TWATL (Weekly Write-Up)
 - Skinnie
- Expanded Community (Beyond the Landings) – Cecilia Russo
- Social Media - TBA
- This committee works with all functions within Kiwanis to promote Kiwanis Club events.

Sponsors Liaison – Larry Wills

- Coordinator - Jeff Heeder
- Coordinator – Tim Baldwin
- This committee works to grow our sponsors and show them more appreciation.

Service Projects Liaison – Thom Greenlaw

- Community Service
- Junior Achievement – Tom Stephens
- Key Club – Bob Norton

- Kids Fishing Derby – Tom Rood
- L.O.V.E. – Tom Rood
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing – Mike Brown
- Special Olympics – Bob Reinhard

We have an exciting year ahead with our focus on helping children. Working together we can accomplish much.

- Tom Stephens

Kiwanis of Skidaway: 2017 Grant Recipients

- Special to the Kiwanigram from Thom Greenlaw

During FY2017 (ended September 30, 2017), our club granted \$55,600 to these local agencies that help at-risk children:

- America’s Second Harvest—Kids Cafe
- Backpack Buddies of Skidaway Island
- Childhood Cancer Family Support Fund
- Coastal Children’s Advocacy Center
- Faith Equestrian Therapeutic Center
- Family Promise of Greater Savannah
- Greenbriar Children’s Center
- Horizons Savannah
- Junior Achievement
- Local Outreach Volunteer Educators (L.O.V.E.)
- Mediation Center of the Coastal Empire
- National Museum of the Mighty 8th Air Force
- Park Place Outreach Youth Emergency Shelter
- Performance Initiatives Fitness Savannah
- Social Apostolate
- Special Olympics
- Union Mission
- Wesley Community Centers of Savannah
- Youth Challenge Academy
- Dollars for Doers grants: Coastal Conservation Association, Congregation Agudath Achim (Backpack Buddies), Crohn’s and Colitis Foundation

Our club also provided \$2,450 to the Richmond Hill Key Club, Kiwanis Georgia District, and Kiwanis International for projects serving at-risk children.

Fundraising News

Chili Cook-Off Sells Out, Raises \$17,000+ to Help Kids

- Bobby Gillham

On Saturday, November 4th our club had our 20th annual Chili Cook-Off. We had a beautiful day at Landings Harbor marina by the river, which no doubt contributed to the greater-than-expected sales at the gate. It was fun to see families and friends enjoy the cook-off, as well as the petting zoo, face painting, magic show and the lively music provided by our DJ.

Twenty restaurants and community organizations prepared their best chili, and it was amazing to sample the variety of recipes, see the range of presentations, and visit with all the great people at each booth. All are winners in our book, as their participation created a fun event and helped our fundraising to be the best in many years. And, of course, we were happy to recognize winners and runners-up in several categories (see box), based on a panel of judges as well as the nearly 500 participants who cast ballots.

Our raffle of a new 2018 well-equipped Club Car golf cart was a success, with all available raffle tickets sold. Many thanks to all Kiwanians who bought and sold tickets, who served on the event committee, and who helped in other ways. Thanks also to the 8 young men and women from Youth Challenge Academy at Fort Stewart, who helped our booths stay stocked with cups, napkins and spoons and helped keep the event location tidy at all times.

After all expenses, net proceeds topped \$17,000 to support agencies and programs that help at-risk kids in Savannah. Let's do it again next year!

Chili Cook-Off Winners & Runners-Up

Restaurants	Award	Community
Jalapeños The 5 Spot	Presidents' Award Winner Runner-Up	Landings North The Marshes
Troy's Village Bar & Grille	Judges' Award Winner Runner-Up	America's Second Harvest YMCA of Coastal Georgia
La Nopalera	Hottest	Landings South
Jalapeños	Best Presentation	America's Second Harvest
Bow Tie Barbecue Troy's	People's Choice Winner Runner-Up	The Marshes Landings North

Show Your Colors

A new marketing committee for Show Your Colors is being formed and will meet in January. Contact Melissa Emery if you would like to join this committee. Our mission is to double the number of subscribers through new and creative marketing approaches, and we could use your help.

Save the Date for Pancakes!

February means it's time for pancakes, pancakes, and more pancakes for kids! This year's Pancake Breakfast will be Saturday, February 24. Save the date!

KIWANIS
CLUB of **SKIDAWAY**

Pancake Breakfast



Saturday, February 24
Skidaway Island Presbyterian Church
7 AM – 11 AM

Tickets \$10, \$12 at the door, kids under 8 free
Available at www.kiwanisofskidaway.com or from any Kiwanian
Contact: 912-xxx-xxxx

All net proceeds benefit Savannah's at-risk kids

KIDS Need KIWANIS,
KIWANIS Needs YOU!

Service News

It's Time for Special Olympics Bowling

- Bob Reinhard

November means it's time for Special Olympics bowling. Many thanks to all who signed up. We look forward to reporting back to you about this year's event.

Missed bowling, but want to help? Before you know it, it will be March and we'll be looking for new and returning volunteers to help with our annual Special Olympics track & field event.

Kids need Kiwanis... and Kiwanis needs you!

Junior Achievement at Hesse K-8

- Tom Stephens

Kiwanis of Skidaway is partnering with Rotary of Skidaway to ensure Hesse K-8 has all the tutors it needs to implement an ambitious Junior Achievement program, starting in January 2018. I will be looking for new and returning volunteers to conduct JA training using JA's fantastic course materials.

Look at the descriptions for JA's fantastic programs for elementary schools students. In our next Kiwanigram, we'll feature programs for middle schoolers.

Other Community Service to Kids

Looking for other ways to help school-age kids? Volunteers are always needed for our Backpack Buddy and L.O.V.E. mentoring programs. Let us help you get connected!



JA Our Families®

JA Our Families explains how family members' jobs and businesses contribute to the well-being of the family and of the community. The program introduces the concept of needs and wants and explores the ways families plan for and acquire goods and services. Students analyze their own skills to determine ways they can support their families. (Grade 1)

Implementation: Classroom-Based

Entrepreneurship: ★

Financial Literacy: ★

Work Readiness: ★



JA Our Community®

JA Our Community uses posters and games to offer practical information about businesses and the many jobs those businesses offer in a community. Students explore production methods through a simulation game, and they learn about taxes, decision making, and how money flows in an economy. (Grade 2)

Implementation: Classroom-Based

Entrepreneurship: ☆

Financial Literacy: ☆

Work Readiness: ★



JA Our City®

JA Our City introduces students to financial literacy and learning objectives for third-grade social studies, including the characteristics of cities, the importance of economic exchange, and how people and businesses in cities manage their money. Students will apply money-management strategies to personal and business accounts. (Grade 3)

Implementation: Classroom-Based

Entrepreneurship: ☆

Financial Literacy: ★

Work Readiness: ☆



JA Our Region®

JA Our Region introduces students to entrepreneurship and how entrepreneurs use resources to produce goods and services in a region. Students operate a hypothetical hot dog stand to understand the fundamental tasks performed by a business owner and to track the revenue and expenses of a business. (Grade 4)

Implementation: Classroom-Based

Entrepreneurship: ★

Financial Literacy: ☆

Work Readiness: ☆



JA Our Nation®

JA Our Nation provides practical information about the need for employees who can meet the demands of the 21st century job market, particularly high-growth, high-demand jobs. By program's end, students will understand the skills, especially in science, technology, engineering, and math, that will make their futures brighter. (Grade 5)

Implementation: Classroom-Based

Entrepreneurship: ☆

Financial Literacy: ☆

Work Readiness: ★

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CLUB of **SKIDAWAY**



Club & Member News

New Members: Please join us in welcoming new members **Alan Fleming** (sponsored by Jeff Heeder) and **Michael and June Klavon** (sponsored by Greg Witbeck), whose membership applications were approved at our November 13 Board meeting.

New Member Orientation: Our next new member orientations are scheduled for November 30 and December 21. New and prospective members and their sponsors are encouraged to attend orientation together.

Board Meetings are held the second Monday of the month.

Savannah State Football Game...you don't want miss the Tigers win another game. They have won two games already... probably another this weekend. On November 18 @ 1:00, we might be watching SSU win their 4th game. Sign up on Thursday and be part of history!

Kiwanis Club of Skidaway Membership Anniversaries:

- **October:** Al Cywin (1992), Tom Sharp (1996), Bob Egan (1998), Gene McDonald (2003), Skip Salus (2003), Jack Sherrill (2005), Jeff Heeder (2006), Dick Glover (2008), Bill Heald (2008), Tom Sayers (2008), Chris Butler (2009), Alice Carlyle (2010), Bruce Schneidewind (2011), Phil van Ess (2012), Mark Toth (2012), Jim Garrison (2013), Kevin O'Neil (2014)
- **November:** George Hensley (1989), Jerry Nusloch (1995), Gary Brewer (1996), Curt Shambaugh (2000), Marianne Schutz (2006), Dick Nelson (2007), Howard Gandelot (2009), Ben Gustafson (2009), Terry Breyman (2011), Mike Newman (2011), Obie O'Brien (2011), Jerry Beets (2012), Michael Siegel (2015), Bobby Gillham (2016), Bill Sickels (2016)

Guest Speakers & Club Events

October

- 10/05—**Installation of Officers**
- 10/12—**Darrell Braggs**, Youth Challenge Academy
- 10/19—**Jesse Petrea**, GA State Congressman—
Current Legislative Issues
- 10/21—Kiwanis Booth at the Corvette Show
in the Village
- 10/26—**Bill Kelso**, VP for Advancement,
Armstrong State University
- 10/26—**Field Trip to Youth Challenge Academy**
- 10/27—Kiwanis Booth at Harbor Fest
at Landings Harbor

November

- 11/02—**Curt Anderson and Guy Petruzzelli**,
Anderson Cancer Institute
- 11/04—**Chili Cook-Off at Landings Harbor**
- 11/09—**Colonel Richard Noel**, U.S. Army (Ret.)
- 11/16—**Shawn Kashmar**, Savannah-Chatham
County Public Schools

- 11/16—**Special Olympics Bowling**
- 11/18—**Savannah State Football**
- 11/19—**Philharmonic in the Streetz**
- 11/23—**No Meeting: Happy Thanksgiving!**
- 11/30—**Dr. Jay Howington**, Medical Issues

December

- 12/04—**Red Cross Blood Drive** (see page 10)
- 12/07—**Dave Fox**, Historian
- 12/14—**Christmas & Hanukkah Program**
- 12/21—**US Representative Buddy Carter**
- 12/28—**No Meeting: Happy Holidays!**

January

- 01/04—**U.S. District Judge William T. Moore**,
View from the Bench: Crime, Drugs, and the Role of
Marijuana
- 01/11—**Pamela Roundtree**, Crimestoppers
- 01/18—**Ann Higbee**, Savannah Book Festival
- 01/25—**Lee Summerford**, Forest City Gun Club
(history, economic impact, and juniors program)
- TBC—**30th Anniversary Cocktail Party**

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Sponsors In Kind:

Cecilia Russo Marketing, LLC • The Skinnie • TWATL

Please join us in recognizing our corporate sponsors and plan to visit their business, use their products and services, and thank them for supporting our club's fundraising efforts to help Savannah's at-risk kids.

Annual donations for each sponsor level are: Diamond (\$3,000), Gold (\$2,000), Silver (\$1,500), and Bronze (\$750). For more information, [see www.kiwanisofskidaway.com](http://www.kiwanisofskidaway.com) or contact Jeff Heeder or Tim Baldwin.

Did You Know? Links to all of our sponsors' websites are available at www.kiwanisofskidaway.com.
Our email is info@kiwanisofskidaway.com and we're on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kiwanisofskidaway.

Chili Cook-Off Contestants

This photo gallery features the local restaurants and community organizations that were contestants at our 20th Annual Chili Cook-Off on November 4, 2017. Come back for more event photos in our next Issue, or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/kiwanisofskidaway.

Photo credits: Michael Siegel









Hey, We're Kiwanis

(to the tune of Hey, Look Me Over)

Key, we're Kiwanis,
Here's what we do:
We help lots of children
Who need a thing or two.
Whether it's school or needing advice,
Just give us a call and we'll be right there,
You don't have to think twice!
Yes, we'll be happy to help –
Whatever you need.
Perhaps it's a lesson in math –
Or how to read,
Or maybe it's something as simple as
A kid who needs a friend.
On our group you can depend.

Doin' It the Kiwanis Way

(to the tune of Doin' What Comes Naturally)

There's a lot of needy folks
All throughout Savannah,
And we're here to save the day,
Doin' it the Kiwanis way!

When the kids need help to read,
We are there to coach them.
Call us and we'll say OK,
Doin' it the Kiwanis way!

Improve the lives of children
Is all we want to do.
We love the interaction
And it makes us feel good, too!

Just remember we are here,
Gladly at your service,
Smiling faces on display,
Doin' it the Kiwanis way...
Doin' it the Kiwanis way!

Kiwanis is Working Hard

(to the tune of Johnny Comes Marching Home)

Kiwanis Club's working very hard
For kids in need.

We're helping them in their own back yard
So they'll succeed.

We try our best to do all we can,
Improving lives is the master plan,
And we're all so proud that
Kiwanis is working hard!

Many thanks to Kiwanian Tony Lembeck for writing new lyrics to familiar tunes, so we can all celebrate the Kiwanis spirit each Thursday.



LIFE'S A GIFT. GIVE MORE OF IT. **DONATE BLOOD.**

Blood Drive **Kiwanis Club of Skidaway** **Skidaway Island** **United Methodist**

Fellowship Hall
54 Diamond Causeway
Savannah, GA 31411

Monday, December 4, 2017
1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Visit redcrossblood.org and make your appointment online using sponsor code: SIUMC

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Download the Blood Donor App | redcrossblood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767

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Georgia District Lt. Gov. – Debi Pearce

2017-2018 Officers & Directors

- **President** – Tom Stephens (502) 641-3720
- **President-Elect** – Thom Greenlaw
- **VP/Secretary** – Jan Wright
- **VP/Treasurer** – Bruce Schneidewind
- **Past President** – Ben Gustafson
- **Directors, with terms expiring:**
 - 2018** – Dave Fox, Kevin O'Neil, Jim Smart
 - 2019** – Bobby Gillham, Rudy Halbart, Jen Singeisen
 - 2020** – Alice Carlyle, Walt VanBrunt, Larry Wills
- **Board Advisor** – Dan Umbel

Club Administration

- Attendance Reception – Chris Butler
- Attendance Records – Gary Brewer
- Auditor – Jay Ahrens
- Awards – Dan Umbel
- Club Historian – **Volunteer needed**
- District/Division Reports – Jan Wright
- Dollars for Doers – Dan Umbel
- Fundraising – Walt VanBrunt
- Grant Allocation – Thom Greenlaw
- Inter-Club – Sam McLaughlin
- Kiwanigram – Jan Wright
- Legal Counsel – Bob Schivera
- Marketing/Public Relations – Jan Wright
- Membership – Ben Gustafson (912-335-2770)
- Member Education/Orientation – Dan Umbel
- Photography – Dick Glover, Michael Siegel, Keith Glenn
- Programs/Speakers – Jack Sherrill
- Publicity: Off Island – Cecilia Russo
- Publicity: On Island – Lydia Moore
- Social & Trips – Jim Smart
- Sunshine – Gwen Leathley
- Website – Jan Wright
- Youth Protection Guidelines – **Volunteer needed**

Kiwaniis Club of Skidaway is dedicated to helping the disadvantaged and at-risk children of the greater Savannah community. Since our club was established in 1987, our members have volunteered over 350,000 service hours and raised and distributed over \$1.5 million to agencies that provide services to these children and their families.

Contact us: info@kiwanisofskidaway.com

www.kiwanisofskidaway.com

By mail: Kiwanis Club of Skidaway

600 Landings Way South, Savannah, GA 31411

2017-2018 Fundraising Committees

- **Chili Cook-Off** (November 4) – Bobby Gillham
- **Pancake Breakfast** (February 24) – Kevin O'Neil, Mike Pavlis
- **Skidaway Marathon** (March TBD) – Dan Umbel & Lydia Moore
- **Show the Colors** (year-round flag program) – Keith Glenn, Jim Smart, Melissa Emery, **more volunteers needed**
- **Corporate Sponsors** – Jeff Heeder, Tim Baldwin
- **Take a Chance for Kids** – Tom Sharp
- **50/50 Drawing** – Susan Disney-Greenberg

Volunteer Service to Community Agencies

- America's Second Harvest/Kids Cafe – Gary Bocard
- Backpack Buddies of Skidaway – Tim Baldwin
- CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children) – Obie O'Brien
- Childhood Cancer Family Support Fund – Jim Beurle
- Coastal Children's Advocacy – Skip Salus
- Corporate Academy – Jack Sherrill
- Faith Equestrian Therapeutic Center – Michael Siegel
- Family Promise – Mark Forssell
- Habitat for Humanity – Howard Gandelot
- Horizons – Greg Stinson
- Junior Achievement – Tom Stephens
- Kids Fishing Program – Tom Rood
- Landings Military Family Relief Fund – Lou Molella
- L.O.V.E. (Local Outreach Volunteer Educators) – Tom Rood
- Mediation Center – Ben Gustafson, Dave Fox
- Nat'l. Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force – Tom McMullin
- Park Place Outreach – Jack Hart, Jim Overton
- Performance Initiatives – Jeff Heeder
- Red Cross Blood Drive – Chris Britten
- Richmond Hill Key Club – Bob Norton
- Savannah Early Childhood Foundation – Tom Sharp, Chris Butler, Ron Weber, Ben Gustafson
- Savannah Friends of Music – Melissa Emery
- Savannah Philharmonic – Melissa Emery, Julie Gerbsch
- Social Apostolate – Bob Egan
- Special Olympics – Bob Reinhard, Ed Coulson
- The Salvation Army – Mike Brown, Thom Greenlaw
- Wesley Community Centers of Savannah – Jan Wright
- Youth Challenge Academy – Dick Nelson, Keith Glenn

Corporate Sponsors are very important partners for our club and 100% of their donations are used to help children. Annual donation levels are \$3,000 for Diamond sponsors, \$2,000 for Gold sponsors, \$1,500 for Silver sponsors, and \$750 for Bronze sponsors. Kiwanis Club of Skidaway recognizes our sponsors through publicity at fundraising events, at membership meetings, on our website, and in our Kiwanigram; and our club provides complimentary admission tickets to our fundraising events as a gesture of appreciation for their support. For more info, contact Jeff Heeder (jheeder@comcast.net) or see www.kiwanisofskidaway.com/sponsors.