## KIWANIGRAM

The monthly newsletter of the



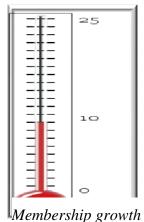
**January 2012!** 

## A letter from the president-Greg Stinson

I hope all of our Kiwanis Club members had a wonderful holiday season and if it included travel that you each reach and return from your destinations safely. We stayed home this year and, although it was a little too quiet, we didn't miss the headaches associated with holiday travel.

As the New Year arrives, we are one quarter of the way through the Kiwanis year, which starts October 1<sup>st</sup>. I thought in this report I would provide an update on the goals we have traditionally used for measuring our success as a club serving underprivileged children.





We had 162 members on October 1<sup>st</sup> 2010, but during the Kiwanis year 2010-11 we lost 19 that did not renew and two more to death. That left us with 141 members on October 1, 2011. I am establishing a goal of adding 25 new members – to coincide with our club's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary – and ending with 166 members on October 1, 2012. We have a good start towards that goal; we have ten new members, so we only need 15 more. Help us reach our goal and invite a guest! The new members that we have added are a very positive addition to our club and we look forward to getting them involved in our service opportunities. Thanks to all who have brought new members into our club and let's hit 25 new members before summer.

Our financial goals are well under way with a quarter of the Kiwanis year gone. Our goal for the Chili Cook-Off was to net \$12,000. We exceeded that goal by

\$521.73. Congratulations and thanks to all of our volunteers that made that happen.

Our Sponsors Program has been streamlined, allowing Jeff Heeder to focus on sales, and not administration. It is at a current running rate of about \$36,000 per year. Jeff has added several new sponsors including a new Diamond Sponsor (\$3,000 donation) Karp, Ronning and Tindol. (CPAs). Go Jeff! I have Sponsors Program brochures that will give you the necessary information to present this program to a potential sponsor. Ask for one and Jeff will help you sell the new sponsor.

Thanks to Keith Glenn for volunteering to serve as the administrator for our new "Show the Colors" flag program. Keith presented this fundraising idea to our club at our Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. This will be a great new opportunity to further help the kids we serve.

Remember, it's all about the kids! Greo

# Last Month's December 2011 Speakers



Andrea Dove-Bethesda

Roger Moss-Music



Gary Taylor-Metro Police

# January 2012 Schedule of Speakers

Jan. 5	Helen Waters	Executive Director of Matthew Reardon Center
Jan 12	Christy Edwards	Executive Director of Horizons
Jan 19	Sonny Dixon	WTOC
Jan 26	William Wells	Georgia Southern, speaking on economic trends

# **Hixson Award Winners 2011**



# New Kiwanians



New member Betha Pingle with the President



New Members Terry Breyman, Brad Lucas, Rick Barnett, Dean Sebastian

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Wright Square

Wright Square is the second square, moving south into the city from the river, and it contains many interesting historical relics. Laid out in 1733, it was originally named Percival Square, for Right Honorable John, Lord Viscount Percival, Earl of Egmont, the Georgia Trust President. The ward surrounding it was also named after him and continues today as Percival Ward. The square was later re-named Wright Square to honor the last Royal Governor of Georgia, Sir James Wright. However, it has also been commonly called "Court House Square" or "Post Office Square". A courthouse has stood on the square since the time of Oglethorpe and in the early days the square was a gathering place full of public activity. Due to the presence of the courthouse, monthly auctions of livestock, government bonds, furniture and other goods were held in Wright Square.

50/50 Drawing - Marianne Schutz