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Kiwanis International President Pays Visit to Hampton Roads

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Upcoming Events

District Conference	Mar 1
Prayer Breakfast	May 1
Golf Tournament	May 7

Upcoming Programs

Health and Fitness	Feb 7
Homeless Veterans	Feb 14
Sudan Survivors	Feb 21
Christian Outreach	Feb 28

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Club President Craig Stallings congratulates Past President Peter Stephenson for assuming leadership of the Smithfield Kiwanis Inter-Club program.

On January 31st Past President Peter Stephenson, Past President Ed Mortimer and Program Chair Dick Gutleber journeyed to Chesapeake for a special breakfast honoring KI President Davis Curry! Kiwanians from Division 16 and 21& 16 clubs turned out in droves to welcome honored guests. These also included Capital District Governor Art Riley and speaker Col. Michael Naylor, Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. Joint Forces Command.

During his remarks, KI President Curry (from Butte, Montana) shared some inspirational stories about international club achievements in Central America and elsewhere. David and his wife are on the road approximately eight of twelve months during his year as K.I. President, and I had a nice conversation with both of them after the meeting.

Looking ahead, please mark your calendars for the next Interclub visit to the Suffolk Kiwanis Club for dinner. That will be held February 18th at 6:30 p.m. at the Fire Mountain restaurant. Next will be the Hampton Roads Regional Conference at ODU on March 1st. Registration is now open on line at —*Peter Stephenson*

Santa Works Overtime in Toyland

It was Christmas in January here in Smithfield, as our Club brought belated joy to a local needy family. We heard of these folks, and their plight just before Christmas, and we tried to provide the children with some Christmas cheer to brighten their Holiday Season. Unfortunately, due to a series of events, we were not successful.

Thankfully however, a variety of circumstances and the understanding of your Board Members, resulted in me being able to meet with the family last week, and provided them with a Target gift certificate so they can purchase some belated toys and books for their adorable 5 and 7 year old girls. A couple of members also generously provided a few extras for the family, including a Farm Fresh gift certificate and some goodies for the entire family to enjoy.

We are so blessed to have such a wonderful Club, and to be able to assist those within our community who are less fortunate than ourselves. I want to thank all of our members who generously gave a donation this past Holiday Season – it is your kindness that allows us to continue to run our Toy Store each year. Should anyone still wish to contribute, please give your donation to Barbara Bryant. A special thanks also to all of you who helped in so many ways to make the '07 event a success.

Gloria....it's all yours from this point on!!!!—*Angie Lowry*

Kiwanis Leaders to Attend Capital District Training

Current and potential Smithfield Kiwanis Club leaders are invited to join more than 200 fellow Kiwanians for the third annual Hampton Roads Region Midwinter Conference. The event will be held at the Constance Center on the campus of Old Dominion University in Norfolk. The date is set for Saturday, March 1st. Our hosts will be the Kiwanis Circle K Club from ODU.

Last year Smithfield was represented by President Peter Stephenson, Vice President Angie Lowry, and past presidents Wesley Brown and Carter Williams.

The program will include multiple training sessions in the morning, a business lunch at noon and awards and elections in the early afternoon. Our reps attended sessions on orientation of new members, member recognition,

community relations and service projects. Information on internet technology initiatives—gained the previous year— has since been used to launch our website.

The keynote speaker will be the new ODU football coach, Bobby Wilder.

Contact me to reserve a space. Or you may go online to register at www.Capdistkiwanis.org.

The Prez Sez.....Craig Stallings

With the growth of Smithfield and IOW County we have been getting a number of requests from potential members for information about Kiwanis. In the past Barbara Bryant has done a fine job of handing out folders crammed with information. However, she is now very busy with her duties as Treasurer. So we've gotten help from Kiwanis International to inform people of what we do. Please ask your board members about the following:

- *KI brochures that include a brief summary of relevant information about our club's activities*
- *KI membership application packages that include a good overview of the Kiwanis organization*
- *Our new local club website at www.smithfieldkiwanis.org. Scott Lauder is our webmaster.*