

“Serving the Children of the World”

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## Upcoming Events

Capital District Convention Aug 17

Kiwanis Spouses Night Aug 23

Kiwanis Installation TBA

## Upcoming Programs

Laughter is Best Medicine Aug 2

Half Moon Cruise

Terminal Aug 9

Sentara Obici

Expansion Aug 16

Spouses' Night

At Carter's Aug 23

Hampton Roads Port

Development Aug 30

## *Kiwanis Fishing Day Clinic for Kids Is a Whopping Success*



*Originator/Grant Manager Wesley Brown and Event Coordinator Kimberly Brown are all smiles after yet another successful Division 21 Kids Fishing Day.*

On July 17th Mother Nature smiled and a crowd of 231 happy children flocked to James River Pier in Newport News for the annual Kiwanis Fishing Day Clinic. Division 21 Kiwanis Clubs provided the opportunity for needy kids from across Hampton Roads to learn to fish. Marine and law enforcement agencies tuned out in force to inform the participants about safety, conservation, and the environment.

Kids were selected by service providers and church groups. Among these were CHIPS, Volunteers in Youth, and Big Brother and Big Sister programs. Each child got a new rod and reel, tackle, tee shirt and hat to take home at the end of the day. All participants were served a lunch of grilled hot dogs, chips and sodas.

Support came from a variety of sources. The James River Fishing Pier donated the use of a segment of the facility to serve as the venue. Funding was provided by the Virginia Saltwater Recreation Association, U. S. Bureau of Land Management, and local businesses and individuals. Smithfield Kiwanis served as the host club.

This was a labor-intensive activity. To make this outstanding event happen more than 120 Kiwanis volunteers from eight clubs in Hampton Roads gave their time. Hats off to all the Smithfield Kiwanians involved, especially Wesley, Darlene and Kimberly Brown, who coordinated the event.

# Kiwanis Awards Second Scholarship



*Caitlin Finchum of Windsor High School and her Dad, right, graciously accept the award of a \$1,000 scholarship tendered on behalf of Smithfield Kiwanis Club by Peter Stephenson. Ms. Finchum will attend William & Mary this Fall.*

The Kiwanis Club of Smithfield continues its tradition of awarding a scholarship to a graduating senior at Smithfield High School and Windsor High School. This year’s recipients were Miss Toni White from Smithfield High School and Miss Caitlin Finchum from Windsor High School.

These awards were presented on June 21<sup>st</sup> and June 28<sup>th</sup>. Each graduate received \$1,000 from the club to assist with their higher education expenses. Miss White will be attending George Mason University and Miss Finchum will be attending the College of William and Mary. We wish them each much success in college and in the years ahead.

The Kiwanis Club of Smithfield meets each Thursday for lunch at the Smithfield Station. More information about the club and our activities can be found at our web site: [www.smithfieldkiwanis.org](http://www.smithfieldkiwanis.org).—P. S.

*P. S.....by Peter Stephenson*

*This is just a brief note to let you know that the Board is still dealing with the rising costs of club operations, especially those for weekly meals and Kiwanis International dues. As you know, all proceeds from fundraisers must be spent for charitable purposes. Costs of club operations must covered only by our dues.. Last year we made a couple of moves to cut costs rather than raise dues, and we’ll be doing them again this year. Two major items of club expense are our annual social affairs—Spouses’ Night and the Installation Ceremony. Many of you commented that you wanted to preserve both because they are special occasions that involve our significant others. So we’ll do Spouse’s Night, under the usual format, at Carter Williams’ place on August 23rd. To preserve the installation ceremony as an evening social event, we propose to once again have the affair, with cash bar, at Smithfield Station. The evening socials will both be held on Thursday evenings. Regular club meetings will NOT be held on those days. More details will be available soon.—P. S.*