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# Kiwanis Club of Smithfield

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## Smithfield Officers

### President

Angie Lowry

### President-Elect

Gloria Seitz

### Vice President

Bob Cole

### Treasurer

Barbara Bryant

### Secretary

Beth Supko

## Butts Benefit Beach



Carter, Lt. Kurt Beach and Charlie Share a Laugh at the BBQ Fundraiser

## Upcoming Events

BBQ Fundraiser Apr 11

Golf Tournament May 7

Normally, you will see the Smithfield Kiwanis participating in fundraising and service projects benefiting the children in Isle of Wight. On Saturday, March 21, those same Kiwanians stepped outside of the box to raise funds for a very deserving adult in our community—Lt. Kurt Beach. As most of you know, Kurt is in need of a liver transplant and Carter Williams and Charlie White decided it was time to help. At 4:00 a.m., Carter and crew began smoking barbeque in front of the Edward Jones office on Church Street. In just a matter of hours, 500 pounds of barbeque was sold and many donations in the form of cash and checks were received. Kurt and his wife, Kathy made an appearance to say thank you to all who helped.

**If you missed out on the fun, join us April 11 from 12 noon—5:00 p.m. for a BBQ Sale to benefit the Smithfield Kiwanis Children's programs.**

## April Programs

IOW Tourism and Arts League Joint Venture Apr 2

Annual Business Meeting Apr 9

Violinist—Karen Stowe Apr 16

CNU—Paul Tribble Apr 23

Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport Apr 30

## Smithfield Kiwanis Receives Morgan Stanley Grant

Thanks to Barbara Bryant and Joe Puglisi, the club has once again received the Morgan Stanley Volunteer Incentive Program (VIP) Grant. The grant is offered to volunteer organizations in which employees of Morgan Stanley (Joe) participate and is intended not only to support the volunteer organizations but to also encourage employees' participation in these organizations.

Barbara prepared the application for this year's grant which is in the amount of \$3500. The application process is rather extensive, so "Kudos" to Barbara for all her hard work in helping us receive this funding. The VIP Grant money will go directly to supporting our children's programs.

The club has received this grant in varying amounts since club year 2003—2004. Previous grant applications were prepared by Bill Wyrick, Craig Stallings and Bill Reed.

## *Fore!!*



*Golf Committee Members are Hard at Work on This Year's Tournament*

Members of the Golf Tournament Committee are hard at work signing up golfers and securing donations and sponsors. This year's tournament will be on Thursday, May 7 beginning with registration at 11:30, lunch at noon and a shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. The format will be Four Person Florida Best Ball. The Social and Excuse Session will begin at 5:30 followed by dinner and awards beginning at 6:00.

The Sponsorship opportunities vary from \$100 for a Hole Sponsor to \$1500 for the Title Sponsor. Please contact any committee member if you know someone who should be contacted about sponsorship. New for this year, golfers can register online through our website at [www.SmithfieldKiwanis.org](http://www.SmithfieldKiwanis.org).

## *The Prez Sez...*

*By Angie Lowry*

What a great day we had last Saturday, at the fundraiser for Kurt – and it truly exhibited the generous spirit of our Club. It also brought out the caring members of our community, who arrived to purchase the delicious food, and in some cases, just to give a donation. Hats off to everyone who helped out, especially Carter's core group – the early birds who always come through at such events. Those of you who were not there missed a treat – but the good news is that you will have the chance to experience another BBQ event next month! We will be holding our own fundraiser – new this year - to boost our funds, and help more children within the community throughout the year.

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, we will hold our Annual Business Meeting after lunch instead of a speaker, when we will review the year to date, and vote on the slate of Officers for 2009-2010 Club year. Prior to the meeting, at 11.30am, we'll hold a New Member Orientation, and I encourage anyone who hasn't had an opportunity to do so previously to attend this session. It's a great way to learn more about who we are, what we do, and how we fit into the bigger Kiwanis picture.

Before we know it, it will be time for the Golf Tournament in May. Start talking this event up to your friends and family. You golfers out there, see about making up a foursome to come out and have a fun day. We still need sponsors for this Fundraiser, so be thinking if somebody you know, or perhaps a local company, would like to consider sponsoring the event. Let John Graham know if you have any names the committee could contact.

Spring is here, albeit a little cool still, so enjoy the lovely blossoms and the chance to spend some extra time working in the yard, or try walking the Nike Park Trail as my family did last Sunday – it is truly hidden gem!

Angie.