



Kiwanis Club of Tifton, Georgia

The Kiwanians of Tifton work together to achieve what one person cannot accomplish alone. Our focus is to make Tifton and Tift County a better place to live, emphasizing on our children and leaders of tomorrow.

Charter Date: February 15, 1940

Defining Statement: Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

Meeting Dates:
Every Thursday at noon.

Location: Tiftarea Conference Center, 804 7th Street West, Hwy 82 W, Tifton, GA

Dues: Regular \$175/year, Spouse \$170/year
Corporate: \$145/quarter, \$277 semi-annually or \$555 annually [includes lunch at the meetings].

Dues support the Georgia District, Kiwanis International and the local club. The corporate membership includes one meal per week per member.

Attendance: Attendance is not mandatory but valuable.

For more information on the Kiwanis Club of Tifton, please contact:

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Selected Club Projects

Young Children Priority One

Fishing Rodeo
Public Library Foundation
Recreation Team Sponsor

Youth Services

American Legion Boys/Girls
Art and Talent Showcase
Boy Scouts
Girl Scouts
Future Farmers of America
4H Youth programs
Georgia Sheriff Boys Ranch
Special Olympics

Community Services

Adopt A Mile
Literacy Volunteers
Meals on Wheels
Red Cross Bloodmobile
YMCA

Service Leadership Programs

Key Club of Tiftarea Academy
Key Club of TCHS
ABAC Circle K

Human and Spiritual Values

Brother Charlie's Rescue center
Patticake House
Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Community Fundraisers

*Our club raises over \$18,000 each year to reach the children of our Community.

- Chicken Que
- Kiwanis Run for the Kids
- Sportsman's Raffle
- Gum Machines



To Make a Difference...

Today is an exciting time to be a part of Kiwanis – clubs all over the world are increasing their service to children and communities and reporting thousands of success stories.

However, there are still children who need our help and together we can achieve more.

Will **YOU** accept the challenge? Are **YOU** the one to make a difference in your community?

JOIN TODAY and make a difference! Change the world one child and one community at a time.

Kiwanis Historical Facts

- The First Kiwanis Club in Tifton started in 1922. They met at the Hotel Myon.
- In 1924, the club supported our state representative's efforts to get a college in Tifton and in 1930 we helped raise funds to support a new hospital in Tifton.
- The club used to have a weekly column in the Tifton Gazette entitled the *Kiwanis Kazette*.
- In 1943, with nine members in military service, our club purchased a war bond each month and was instrumental in selling \$75,000 worth of war bonds.
- Tifton Kiwanis Club sponsored the first little league team in Tifton.
- In 1962 worldwide expansion was approved and now Kiwanis is in more than 96 countries.
- Tifton Kiwanis Club has helped sponsor new clubs in Ashburn, Fitzgerald, and Quitman.
- Our first fundraisers were a light bulb sale, Christmas tree sale and barbeque sales.
- In 1987 women were allowed to join Kiwanis.
- Kiwanians are ordinary people who perform extraordinary "hands-on" work. Our 270,000 adult members annually invest more than 6 million hours and \$100 million in projects that strengthen our communities and serve children.

OBJECTS OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

- To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.
- To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.
- To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business, and professional standards.
- To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship.
- To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities.

- To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and goodwill.



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