

June 26, 2024

“Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.”

Today’s Program

Noah Melton and UTM Student Storm Chasers



Rainfall and extreme weather events in Weakley County— Bronson Bass (center), UT Extension agent for agriculture and natural resources in Weakley County, discussed his work in evaluating rainfall in the county when he gave a presentation for Kiwanis on June 12. After he gave a general overview of how soil absorbs water or repels rainfall when saturated, Bass said that when considering rainfall “it is not always how much we get but how we get the rain” that makes such a difference. He mentioned the drought in 2012 when only 8.5 inches of rain fell from April through August, an amount that is almost 14 inches below the seven-year average of 22 inches. In April and May of this year, he said that we have already had 16 inches of rain, more than half of the average total for April-August time frame. He said also that we all need to pay attention to the extreme events occurring around us and not just the averages. He mentioned the recent periods of extreme cold, the heavy rainfalls, and the periods of

Martin Kiwanis Calendar

- July 3 — Regular Meeting, Room 230
- July 10 — Regular Meeting, Room 231
- July 17 — Regular Meeting, MPL, Computer Classroom
- July 24 — Regular Meeting, Room 230
- July 31 — Fifth Wednesday Social

July Birthdays

Bill Austin.....

July Anniversaries

Katie Parr

heavy rainfalls, and the periods of drought that make it especially hard on crops, plants, and animals. Bass, who has been with the Weakley County Extension Office for almost two years, said that he and others in the office are ready to answer questions and assist those in this area.

Great news! We have a new member in the Kiwanis Club of Martin! Her name is Olivia Fernandez, and she works at UT Martin as a director of Information Technology Services. Her application for membership was approved at the most recent board meeting. Steve Lemond will be her sponsor, and we will plan for a little ceremony, complete with a new member pin and badge, as soon as Steve can be with us again. Olivia lives on Nethery Road.

Kiwanis has been invited to set up a craft table for children at the Farmers Market this Saturday, June 29. Anna has agreed to coordinate this happy effort and has all the supplies ready for three easy crafts. Jim and Anna will have the table set up by 8 a.m., so if you can come for an hour between 8 -11, you would be most welcomed! We are using some of the blue Kiwanis International pencils that were ordered years ago. Just wait until you see the pencil toppers the children will make!

Active Members

- Anita Airec
- Richa Airec
- Bill Austin
- Mary Elizabeth Bell
- Otha Britton
- Anna Clark
- Jim Clark
- Danelle Fabianich
- Wayne Fields
- Ann Gathers
- Betty Giles
- Vickie Hazlewood
- Steve Lemond
- Linda Luther
- John Mayros
- Jennifer Medford
- Mary Morgan
- Katie Parr
- Jayne Parrish
- Roberta Peacock
- Vincent Politte
- Linda Ramsey
- Sara Sieber
- Clinton Smith
- David Sudberry
- Jamie Summers
- Laura Taylor
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- Earl Wright

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