

April 23, 2025

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

Today's Program

Mary Morgan with 4-H Members (Program)

Last Week

MARTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT—Martin Police Chief Phillip Fuqua gave an inside look at some aspects of the department when he spoke at the April 16 Kiwanis meeting. Among other topics, Chief Fuqua discussed changes that will continue to attract highly motivated, educated, and diverse persons to strengthen the department and to provide the best services possible to the community. He also explained that the purpose of the License Plate Reader program, with cameras located at entry points in Martin, is to locate stolen vehicles, investigate felony offenses associated with violent crime, locate missing children, and to protect the community. He underscored that this program is not for surveillance of any individual, repossession of vehicles, expired tag enforcement or anything that is not in the category of violent crime. Chief Fuqua expressed appreciation for the 30 uniformed officers in Martin Police Department and all who support the mission of the department, which is stated on the MPD website as follows: "to provide protection and services to the City of Martin that will suppress criminal activity, provide a climate of safety and security to its citizens, and strive to communicate with the community in order to inform and be informed in the most effective manner possible." Chef Fuqua has served in the department for 24 years and began his role as chief on July 7, 2024.

Martin Kiwanis Calendar

- Apr. 25 — April 27 Key Leader at Lakeshore Camp
- Apr. 28 — Kiwanis Social at Woodfire Pizza, 5:30 p.m.
- Apr. 30 — No Wednesday meeting at noon
- May 1 — Board meeting, MPL, noon.
- May 7 — Officer elections and local awards for Teacher, Police Officer, Layperson, Firefighter of the year.
- May 14 — Summer Reading Program at MPL with Katie Parr and Jenny Claiborne (Program)
- May 21 — Linda Ramsey: Possibility Project, Key Leader Update, and convention news (Program)
- May 28 — Alan Laderman, local restaurateur (Program)

Update on Key Leader: We now have a total of 82 participants; 16 chaperones, 1 Lead Facilitator, 10 student Registration is now closed. T-shirts have been ordered, and this year's design was developed by Student Facilitator, Addi Floyd of Dyersburg. The adult shirts are mint green, and the students' t-shirts are cornsilk yellow. Chaperones will not need to bring linens or pillows as they are provided by the camp. Advisors, please don't forget to remind the students to print off the medical form and the Community Values Form, fill them out and bring them with them. They are located on the website. Also, it doesn't hurt to remind them to bring linens or a sleeping bag, a light blanket, and a pillow. Also, tennis shoes are a good idea, especially for the ropes course. Beware of poison ivy!

Meet and Greet at Vantage Coffee

Friday, April 25, 2025 from 7:30 – 9 a.m.
Vantage Coffee Roasters,
129B Neal Street in Martin.
LT and Katie urge members to contact anyone who might be interested in joining Kiwanis to drop by.

Kiwanis April Social!!!

Come and bring a friend!
Monday, April 28, at Woodfire Pizza at 5:30 p.m.
230 S. Lindell
There will be no meeting on Wednesday, April 30.

Active Members

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