

## January 22, 2025

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

### Today's Program

Lt. Col. Bernard House  
ROTC at UT Martin

For the January 15 Kiwanis program, Alex Britt, Weakley County Elections Administrator, was the guest speaker. He distributed a brochure from the Tennessee Secretary of State underscoring that Tennessee is ranked #1 in the nation in election integrity. He noted that elections in Tennessee are audited, bipartisan, secure, and trustworthy. Weakley county is at the top of the list in terms of efficient, trustworthy elections in Tennessee.

For those wondering what the election commission does during the off season, there are tasks like clearing the voting lists of those who have not voted in two elections in a row and advising others how to improve the integrity of their own elections.



## Martin Kiwanis Calendar

Feb. 6 — Board Meeting, 11:00 am, MPL  
Feb. 22 — Kiwanis Pancake Day, MES  
Feb. 26 — Meeting in room 125 (rear of dining hall)

### January Birthdays

Bettye ..... Jan. 11  
Sara ..... Jan. 16  
Earl ..... Jan. 17  
Steve ..... Jan. 28

According to Linda Ramsey, last weekend's event celebrating the 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Dyersburg Kiwanis Club was a great experience. There were 6 clubs there with Interclub representatives. These included Memphis, Dyersburg, Martin, Twin Cities, Lake Charles and Union City. John and Cathy Fry were their usual stellar selves. We heard some history, some funny stories, we talked about who brought us into Kiwanis and then did Kiwanis Trivia. We all had a good time and laughed a lot. Linda Luther, Mary Elizabeth Bell were our three people attending

Kiwanis president Laura Taylor, a member of the 2025 class of Leadership Weakley County, says that she is enjoying this class very much, meeting many people, and learning a lot. Since the beginning of this program, many Kiwanis members have been regular participants. All come away from their experience appreciating what they learn about what is going on in Weakley County.



Alex Britt along with Kiwanis President LT, Linda (member of the Election Commission) and January program chair, Earl Wright.

## 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  
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