## Jan. 22, 2020

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

# **Today's Program**

Asst. Police Chief Phillip Fuqua: Martin Police Academy

### **Future Programs**

Jan. 29, David Hawks — Rolling Thunder

Feb. 5, Phillip Smartt — Drones in Agriculture

Feb. 12, TBD

Feb. 19, Martin Fire Academy

Feb. 25, TBD

#### **Club News**

#### **Update on Weakley County Schools**



Steve Vantrease, chair of the Weakley County School Board, gave an update about progress in Weakley County Schools when he spoke to Kiwanis on January 15. Steve said that Weakley County is the fourth largest school system in west Tennessee (with 4,300 students and 300 teachers) and the second largest year-round

employer. He spoke of the increase in the average ACT score, the good work being done by the Charger Foundation, the continued creative opportunities offered through Weakley Arts Can, the farm to table projects in conjunction with the local food network, the ongoing efforts in the area of health and safety (all schools county-wide have an SRO officer), the partnership with the Weakley County Reconciliation Project (which emphasizes that diversity and inclusion matter), the need that is being met by the Weakley County Back Pack program, the positive publicity that the schools are generating, the purchase of 4 propane powered buses and much more.

Steve is pictured with Danelle, who was awarded a diamond Zeller for her service to the community, and Earl Wright, who introduced Steve.

#### Martin Kiwanis Calendar.

Feb. 1 — Polar Plunge, Union City, Tn

Feb. 6 — K Kids, MES, 2:25 p.m.

Feb. 7-8 — LaMissTenn Midwinter Conference, Natchez, MS

Feb.13 — K Kids, MES, 2:25 p.m.

Feb. 22 — Pancake Day.

Feb. 22 — MHA Daddy Daughter Dance, UTM University Center

Mar. 5 — Kindergarten Kickoff, Martin Primary School

#### **January Birthdays**

Bettye Giles	Jan.	11
Sara Sieber	Jan.	10
Earl Wright	Jan.	17
Steve Lemond	Jan.	28

#### **January Anniversaries**

Bill Austin......Jan. 1

Know Your Muscles and Bones: Laura Taylor Visits K-Kids



Laura Taylor visited K-Kids at the Jan. 16 meeting and got most of those third, fourth, and fifth graders out of seats with exercise and the bouncy burning of excess energy (and calories). She and two guests—Julie Floyd from Nursing and a UT Martin student majoring in Health and Human Performance—directed students in the jumps, kicks, and stretches between each slide in the PowerPoint presentation about muscles and bones. Yes, there was a lot of noise and movement along with the learning. Anna Clark substituted for K-Kids advisor Sara Sieber and led the students in the K-Kids pledge, shared a positive quotation with them ("I'll be your up when you're feeling down"), and introduced the guests.

# Active Members

Bill Austin Pam Bates Mary Elizabeth Bell Frank Black Otha Britton Anna Clark Jim Clark Danelle Fabianich Ann Gathers Bettye Giles Courtney Haley Vickie Hazlewood Harry Henderson Annie Iones Steve Lemond John Mayros Jayne Parrish Roberta Peacock Keith Pettit Linda Ramsey Christie Ricketts Sara Sieber Clinton Smith David Spencer Jeffrey Steinman David Sudberry Iamie Summers Laura Taylor Earl Wright

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