

**Jan. 6, 2021**

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

**Today’s Program**

County Mayor Jake Bynum

**Future Programs**

Jan. 20 – Chelsea White, Weakley County Health Department

**Club News**

**Josh Wilson** of the Martin Fire Department—and recently honored as the 2020 Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tenn Kiwanis District Fireman of the Year—has shared his award with a local charity.

Wilson presented a check to Mike and Jennifer Wenz of the Anna Kate Wenz FIGHT Foundation, named for their three-year-old daughter who died on March 2, 2016, after a courageous battle against cancer. Martin Kiwanis club president-elect John Mayros was present for the brief ceremony held at the fire station.

The Martin Kiwanis Club named Josh Wilson as the local 2020 Fireman of the Year and nominated him for the Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee Kiwanis District Fireman of the Year. In December, Kiwanis received word that Wilson had received the district award and a \$250 check to present to a local charity of his choice.



“The first charity I thought of was the Anna Kate Wenz FIGHT Foundation,” said Wilson. The mission statement of non-profit is in part “to educate, encourage, and empower others to get involved and make a difference for children with cancer.”

**Martin Kiwanis Calendar.**

- Jan. 5 — Board Meeting, Zoom, 12 noon
- Jan 30 — Mid-Year Regional Conference for Region 1, Dyersburg, TN
- Feb. 2 — Board Meeting, Zoom, 12 noon
- Feb. 3 — Kiwanis Meeting, Zoom, 12 noon
- Feb. 17— Kiwanis Meeting, Zoom 12 noon

**January Birthdays**

- Bettye Giles .....Jan. 11
- Sara Sieber .....Jan. 16
- Earl Wright .....Jan. 17
- Steve Lemond .....Jan. 28

**January Anniversaries**

- Bill Austin.....Jan. 1

Wilson has been a part of Martin Fire Department since 2015 and is an EMS Lieutenant/Lead Firefighter. In addition to his service as a fireman, he teaches educational courses for the Martin Fire Department.

**Gingerbread Winners:**



**Category: Traditional**

- First Place - Winter Joy - Mariana Ivanaic/Amy Yeung
- Second Place - Gatsby Mansion - Sara Sieber/Carol Ann Ulrich
- Third Place - Grinch Cottage - Liam Sallee

**Category: Martin Housing Authority**

- First Place - Rudolph's Home - MHA 4th Grade
- Second Place (Tie) - Polar Trollers - MHA 6-8th Grade
- Second Place (Tie) - Santa's Village - MHA - Taylor
- Third Place (Tie) - Tik Toceus - MHA 3rd Grade
- Third Place (Tie) - Hype House - MHA 5th Grade

**Category: Reuse, Recycle, Repurpose**

- First Place - Ginyos Castle - Liam Sallee

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**Active Members**

- Bill Austin
- Mary Elizabeth Bell
- Frank Black
- Otha Britton
- Anna Clark
- Jim Clark
- Danelle Fabianich
- Ann Gathers
- Bettye Giles
- Courtney Haley
- Vickie Hazlewood
- Harry Henderson
- Annie Jones
- Steve Lemond
- John Mayros
- Jayne Parrish
- Roberta Peacock
- Linda Ramsey
- Sara Sieber
- Clinton Smith
- David Spencer
- David Sudberry
- Jamie Summers
- Laura Taylor
- Earl Wright

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