

Kiwanis Division 17



Kiwanis Division 17 Presents Inaugural Award to Todd Siebels

The Les Garner Award was presented to Todd Siebels of the University City Kiwanis Club on Friday night at the Pitt County Shrine Club. The award was part of the Les Garner Award Banquet and Raffle, a fundraiser benefiting the Les Garner-Kiwanis Teen Lounge at UHS Children's Hospital.

The Garner Award is to recognize those who unselfishly offer contributions to Kiwanis and the community, including raising funds for children's charities, consistently attending Kiwanis meetings, functions, and conventions, visiting other clubs, bringing joy and integrity to Kiwanis, being a Kiwanis advocate, helping to recruit others to serve, and giving of his or her own time and resources.

Among Todd Siebels achievements:

- Has been a member of the University City Kiwanis Club since 1996, is a charter member of the Pitt Professionals Club, and founder of Aktion Club
- He has served as Charter Vice President, President, and Board member of Pitt Professionals Club; Board Member, Newsletter Chair, and Partners-for-a-Day Chair of University City Club; Division 17 Lt. Governor; and Public Relations Chair for Carolinas District
- His other Kiwanis accomplishments include being a distinguished member of 2 clubs, Distinguished President with Pitt Professionals, Distinguished Lt. Governor, recipient of Hixon Award, and Kiwanian of the Year with University City.
- His service includes participation in the Aktion Club Heart Auction, Santa Project, Pancake Day, Peanut/Pecan Project, Kiwanis One Day, Special Olympics, Partners-for-a-day, and he is instrumental in photographing and videoing Kiwanis events and projects.
- Those who nominated him state that "Todd is quick to brighten a room with his warm laughter and even quicker to point out someone else's positive attributes while downplaying his own. He is truly an ambassador for Kiwanis everywhere he goes."

The other nominees include Clyde Alexander, an eight-year member of the Greenville Kiwanis Club; Ed Daughtry, a 38-year member of the University City Kiwanis Club; Bruce Gray, a 15-year member of the Ayden-Grifton Kiwanis Club; Lennon Hooper, a 15-year member of the Greenville Golden K Kiwanis Club; Judi Miller, a 22-year member of the Greater Greenville Kiwanis Club; Ernest Taylor a 21-year member of the Pitt Golden K Kiwanis Club; and Norman Worthington a 49-year member of the Winterville Kiwanis Club.

According to Kathryn Lennox Lloyd, chairwoman of the Garner Award, "It is hoped that in some small way this award will help to remind the community of how Les Garner perfectly embodied the Kiwanis Spirit." Will Sneed, chairman of the Les Garner-Kiwanis Teen Lounge project, noted that since October of 2009 the Kiwanis division has raised around half of its \$30,000 commitment to fund the Les Garner-Kiwanis Teen Lounge.

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(Photo of Todd Siebels attached – 1 to r., Lt. Governor Eric Loy, Carolinas District Governor Elizabeth Tezza, Todd Siebels, Chairwoman Kathryn Lennox Lloyd, Chairman Will Sneed)

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