

Growth and Retention Summary:

The quarter just ending on June 30, 2016 had some bright spots and dull areas requiring our leadership attention at all levels within the District.

International Growth and Retention data (1 July Focus Report) for our District is again mixed. First, congratulations again to our District officer, who has recruited a new member. The rest of us have work to do this last quarter. Second, congratulations to **Brent, Center Point, Northport, Greater Titusville, Fairfield, Vestavia Hills, and Phenix City** for having net gains in club membership through June 30th. We must to step it up!

Many kudos to the **Tuscaloosa, Auburn, ACTION, Greater Titusville, Vestavia Hills, and Research** Clubs for maintaining Golden Circle status with 30 or more members! There are two (2) clubs (Wilsonville and Brent) that are within four (4) or fewer members of reaching Golden Circle status. Area Directors and District team members are asked to encourage **all** clubs that have not conducted at least one membership meeting this year, to do by September.

Regarding **New Club Development**: The **UAB YP Club** is moving ahead with a planned chartering this month. However, the Club Builders have requested the **ACTION** Civitan Club to be their sponsor instead of the **Research** Club, which is not currently in a position to sponsor this club. The Club Officers have been elected and other administrative details related to this charter are taking shape and will be announced soon. They are at 14 members, conducting service projects and are actively recruiting for new members. Persistent efforts to recruit members into the **Alexander City Club** are paying off. Club Builders Lisa Abercrombie, Tony Ledbetter and Brian Dix, have been putting in time and efforts to charter this club, and they are making good progress towards chartering this club. No charter date has been set.



Alexander City members do project with Salvation Army to provide food boxes to local families. Club is set to charter in September.

Where to next? Our next efforts will be the Birmingham Civitan Club. Past International President, Mike Brown has requested a meeting with the local G&D team to discuss a way forward. Details to follow.

John Lanier,
Growth and Retention



Saturday morning Convention Breakfast: Speaker Past International President Randall Eckhoff is joined by Past Region One Director Dee Hutsler and Dr. Mark Bolding of the Research Club to emphasize participation in Civitan philanthropies.



ACTION—Birmingham Receives Traveling Trophy for most members registered for the District Convention in Mobile. Relinquishing the trophy, Wilsonville Club says "the challenge is on for next year!"

Mobile Convention 2016— Photo Opt

Alabama Central District

2015 – 2016

Mission Statement

The mission of the Alabama Central Civitan District and its District officers is to serve as motivators and encouragers, providing advice, wisdom, and guidance to advance the cause of Civitan within its district boundaries, provide support to the district's clubs and leaders, and to incite pride and passion in the district members as they participate in their Civitan endeavors.

District Goals and Priorities

- ♦ Achieve recognition as a Civitan International Quality Achievement District
- ♦ Provide meaningful and productive meetings for the membership of the district directed toward continued leadership development;
- ♦ Charter two (2) new Civitan clubs
- ♦ Charter two (2) new Junior Civitan Clubs Civitan clubs
- ♦ Maintain existing clubs by mentoring clubs in stress to return them to viability and productivity.
- ♦ Retain at least 90% of current club members in current clubs
- ♦ Encourage current clubs to achieve at least a plus two in members or a ten percent (10%) increase.
- ♦ Provide a better understanding of the Junior Civitan Programs and encourage an elevation of involvement by sponsoring clubs. Encourage other clubs to seek involvement in the program.
- ♦ Increase participation of clubs in sponsorship(s) of delegates to the Youth Leadership Forum

Alabama Central District Membership (8/31/16)

Club	# Membership
ACTION*	59
Alpha I (Selma)	17
Auburn*	32
Birmingham	8
Brent	26
Center Point	15
Crestwood	15
Irondale	11
Fairfield	14
Gardendale	23
Greater Titusville*	58
Hoover	9
Montevallo	19
Northport	14
Opelika	10
Pell City	19
Perimeter	15
Phenix City	10
Research*	34
Selma	12
Sylacauga*	24
Tallassee	10
Tri-County	10
Trussville	7
Tuscaloosa*	40
Tuskegee	20
Vestavia*	34
West Jefferson	10
Westside	11
Wilsonville	29
YP Birmingham	9
Associate Members	21
Total Members	645
Total Active Clubs:	31
Golden Circle Clubs*	6



2014 - 2015 Governor Jason Harris Presented Competitive Award at Annual Convention

District Outstanding Club Newsletter

2. Montevallo
1. Greater Titusville

International Honor Club Recipients and Distinguished Club Presidents

ACTION - Sharon Hayes
Alpha 1 - Denise Molett
Auburn - Kirk Iversen
Birmingham - Alison Weinstein
Pell City - Lisa Phillips
Research - Mark Bolding

District Outstanding Club of the Year

Wilsonville

District Honor Clubs

ACTION
Auburn
Birmingham
Greater Titusville
Montevallo
Pell City
Research
Sylacauga
Wilsonville

Growth Awards

25-39 members - Vestavia
40+ members - ACTION

2014—2015 Foundation Achievements and Recognitions

Candy Box

- Northport – Silver Achievement
- Tuscaloosa – Bronze Achievement
- ACTION – Bronze Achievement
- Montevallo – Bronze Achievement
- ACD – Bronze Achievement

Civitan at the Helm

- Admiral Level:
Auburn
Hoover
- Commodore Level:
Tri-County
- Captain Level:
Gardendale
Greater Titusville
Northport
- Navigator Level:
Birmingham
Center Point
Crestwood: 1st time recognition
Eastwood/Irondale
Montevallo
Pell City
Phenix City
Wilsonville
ACD

Civitan at the Helm (Cont.)

Helmsman:
ACTION
Brent
Sylacauga
Tuscaloosa



**Wilsonville Civitan Club receives
Outstanding Club of the Year Award**



**Greater Titusville receives
Outstanding Club Newsletter Award**

Club News

Brent:

Celebrating 65 years of service on September 7th—CONGRATULATIONS! Working with Cahawba Christian Academy to organize a Junior Civitan Club. Recent successful Boston Butt Sale. Members attended annual District Convention in Mobile.

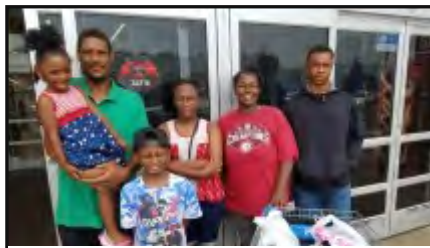
Selma: Sponsored four local students to Harding National Youth Leadership Forum in June.

Irondale:

Sponsored student to Harding National Youth Leadership Forum in June. Provided school supplies and necessities for local Irondale family in August. Members attended annual District Convention in Mobile.

Pell City:

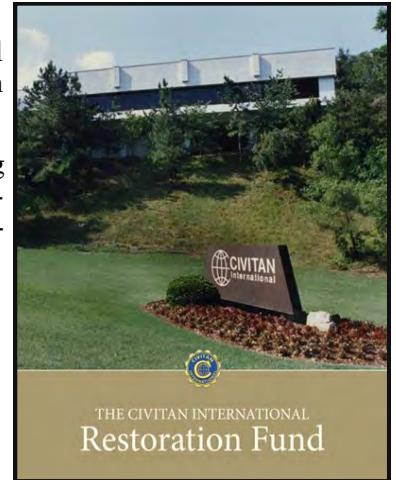
Sponsored student to Harding National Youth Leadership Forum in June. Held annual Poker Run on Logan Martin Lake. Members attended annual District Convention in Mobile.



Local Irondale family sponsored back to school by Irondale

Tri County: Sponsored one student to Harding Youth Leadership Forum. Members attended annual District Convention in Mobile. Planning pecan sales for Fall.

Restoration Fund growing, yet needs support of all clubs to reach goals and complete needed restoration project before the 2017 Birmingham Centennial Convention.



Save the Date!

Alabama Central District Fall Meeting

October 29, 2016

Where: Opelika Civitan Club Building

1307 West Point Parkway (Hwy 14), Opelika, Alabama

10:00 a.m. Registration - Meeting 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Cost \$20.00, includes lunch (Late Registration fee: \$25, after Oct.20)

Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. October 29, 2016

Club: _____

Name: _____ E-mail: _____

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Attending _____ @ \$20.00 per person \$ _____

Send registration by **October 20**, with checks made to: **Alabama Central Civitan District**
Mail to: **Emily Hodges, Meetings Coordinator, 1041 Melissa Circle, Leeds, Alabama 35094**

District Officers 2015-2016

Governor.....	Emily Hodges
Governor-Elect.....	Wendell Harless
Immediate Past Governor.....	Jason Harris
Secretary.....	Mary Putman
Treasurer.....	Edward Thomas
Past Governor Director	Dee Hutsler

Area Directors

Area I Director.....	Jerry LeVert (Alpha I, Brent, Northport, Tuscaloosa, Westside, Selma)
Area II Director.....	Tony Ledbetter (Auburn, Opelika, Phenix City, Tallassee, Tuskegee)
Area III Director.....	Donna Harper (Montevallo, Sylacauga, Wilsonville)
Area IV Director.....	Judith (Pike/Gardendale, Hoover, Perimeter, Research, Vestavia)
Area V Director.....	Lisa Phillips (Center Point, Crestwood, Irondale, Pell City, Tri-County, and Trussville)
Area VI Director.....	Brian James (ACTION Birmingham, Birmingham, Fairfield, Greater Titusville, West Jefferson, YP Birmingham)

District Committee and Project Chairs

Growth & Development.....	John Lanier Brian Dix Albert Wilson
Newsletter Editor/Webmaster.....	Tony Ledbetter
Fruit Cake/Vidalia Onions.....	Wynton Hodges
Junior Civitan/Campus Civitan.....	Lisa Abercrombie
Meetings.....	Dee Hutsler
Youth Leadership Forum.....	Beverly & Denise Murphy
Foundation Liaison.....	John Rynearson
Judge Advocate.....	Dale Price
Policies.....	Mary Putman
Awards & Finance.....	Jason Harris
Junior Civitan Liaison.....	Emily Hodges

**Civitan Pirates Celebrating in Mobile****Revelry and Recognitions**

2016 Honor Award Recipients



Mrs. Leola C. Smith -
Honor Key recipient



John L. Lanier -
Honor Key recipient



Donna Harper -
Honor Medal Award



On the left:

2016 - 2017 Leadership Team

Judith Pike—Governor-Elect

Wendell Harless - Governor

Emily Hodges—Immediate Past
Governor



Robert Cowan accepts Monte-
vallo recognition for Second
Place for Outstanding Club
from Past Governor Harris
Newsletter.

Lisa Abercrombie presents
Hall of Fame Recognition
from Junior Civitan
International Convention to
Emily Hodges



Civitan International Restoration Fund

The Civitan International Restoration Fund is growing to make much-needed repairs to the Civitan International Headquarters. The Brent Civitan Club has issued a challenge to all district clubs to meet their gift of \$250. There's your challenge—go for it!! *Everyone can help!*

Civitan International is calling upon its members and clubs to donate directly to this fund. These repairs cannot be funded by membership dues. Every donation helps, but large donations are truly needed. Those who donate \$1,000 will be recognized in the pages of Civitan Magazine, starting in September 2015. Larger donors of \$5,000 or more will have the chance to sponsor individual rooms at International Headquarters. Those who do so will be recognized on a plaque just outside the sponsored area. All donations need to be made by December 31, 2016 to enable projects to be completed by the 2017 International Convention Celebration in Birmingham of **Civitan's 100 Years!** The Restoration Fund for International Headquarters is approaching its goal of \$410,000. As of April 15, \$278,155 has been pledged/funded. This restoration will bring Headquarters up to a level to be proud of!