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Harnett County, NC, September 1, 2013 — The Kiwanis Club of Western Harnett County has recently formed and is accepting charter members. The club is a new service organization in Western Harnett County, North Carolina. Service projects will focus on the needs of children in Western Harnett County and in developing future generations of leaders.

The new club, which began organizing in March and was officially chartered on May 23, currently has 25 members. The members recently elected the following officers: Opie Edmond, President; Scott Horton, Vice President; Sarah Raegan, Secretary; Ben Hannigan, Treasurer. Board members are Renate Beken, Joy Crowe, Becky Horton, Stacy Koehne, Suzanne Merritt, and Michelle Sharp.

“The Kiwanis Club of Western Harnett County is dedicated to helping and mentoring children of not only our local community but those of the world community,” said Opie Edmond, President of Kiwanis Club of Western Harnett County. “The club will be dedicating it time to building strong ties with the local community as well. Anyone wishing to join or support us in our endeavor is more than welcome to join us at one of our meetings or fundraising projects.”

The group is currently meeting twice per month on the first and third Monday evenings, and has begun planning fundraising events to support its service projects. The club celebrated its official charter on August 14 at Charter Night. More information on the Kiwanis Club of Western Harnett County can be found at www.kiwaniswhc.org or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/KiwanisClubofWesternHarnett.

The Kiwanis Club of Western Harnett County is part of the Carolinas District, which covers

North Carolina and South Carolina, and the larger Kiwanis International organization. Kiwanis International is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Kiwanis and its youth-oriented Service Leadership Programs serve communities in more than 80 countries and geographic areas.

About Kiwanis

Founded in 1915, Kiwanis International is a global organization of clubs and members dedicated to serving the children of the world. Kiwanis and its family of clubs, including Circle K International for university students, Key Club for students age 14–18, Builders Club for students age 11–14, Kiwanis Kids for students age 6–12 and Aktion Club for adults living with disabilities, dedicate annually more than 18 million service hours to strengthen communities and serve children. The Kiwanis International family comprises nearly 600,000 adult and youth members in 80 countries and geographic areas. For more information about Kiwanis International, please visit www.kiwanis.org.