

Upcoming meetings...

Community Relations Committee, April 12th, 7:30 a.m.
Retail Committee, April 12th, 8:15 a.m.
EE&T Committee, April 5th, 9:00 a.m.
Finance Committee, April 18th, 7:30 a.m.
Safety, April 25th, 9:30 a.m.
Board, April 19th, 7:30 a.m.

Thanks & Great Job!

Black Diamond Girl Scouts Host Good Turn for Goodwill Day -- March 31, 2007



Community Relations Director, Kathy McKinley with BDGS during March's Good Turn for Goodwill Day

Teays Valley Black Diamond Girl Scouts participated in GoodTurn for Goodwill Day. Scouts collected donations, staffed three donation locations, participated in learning activities, learned the mission of Goodwill Industries and took a tour of the Plant location. Girls earned patches and the appreciation of Goodwill.

shopgoodwill.com UPDATE

Shopgoodwill.com had another successful month in March -- selling 85 items and earning \$1,983.47 for GIKV's mission. Special note of thanks to Sherry Hamon, Lea Ann Barnhouse, Karen Gillenwater and all the retail stores that have provided items to be listed. Teamwork makes this program a success! Encourage your friends to check us out for an auction experience!

Birthday Wishes!

Name	April Birthdays
Walter Gravely	1st
Garry Bias	3rd
Tara Hunter	3rd
Clyde Strother II	3rd
Robin Bishop	7th
Adam Lucas	7th
Frank Blecher, Jr.	8th
Mark Ganoe	10th
Mark Morris	10th
Kathy Withrow	11th
David Darnell	11th
Phillip Ratliff	15th
Dallie Short	16th
Teresa Aldridge	16th
Larry White	17th
Tracy Dunnett	18th
Roger Hart	20th
Carolyn Kennedy	23rd
Edward Pioch	25th
Mark Scarbrough	26th
William Farrow	27th
Joshua Bailey	29th



Safety Tip:

Dress in layers -- be prepared for Spring's cool and warm weather.
 Be sure to apply sunscreen when you are planning to be outside.

GOODWILL NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!

Remember your donations provide job training to those with disabilities or are otherwise vocationally disadvantaged. If you cannot bring your donations to us, we will come to you. Call (304)346-0811 for a home pick-up in the Charleston area. Call (304)256-0802 in the Beckley area.

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And the Award Goes to . . . Contracts Singled-out for Excellence

During the March 15th Board Meeting, President/CEO Dave Acord presented the Contracts Department with a certificate from NISH honoring their hard work and commitment to excellence. In addition, NISH representatives Lou Campbell and John Huff were onsite, March 29th to present Contracts with the prestigious **Custodial Certification Program Award** for the gold standard service GIKV Contracts provide to contract customers and clients alike! Director Larry Canterbury, Joyce Birley, Contracts Services Program Coordinator and Eddie Thaxton, Training Supervisor -- we thank you and each of your contract employees for a GREAT JOB!



President/CEO David Acord thanks Joyce Birley and Larry Canterbury for their commitment to excellence



NISH's Lou Campbell, Keith Shatto, Larry Canterbury, Richard Estep, John Huff, NISH



RETAIL NEWS

Elder-Beerman & Goodwill Make Great Partners!

Elder Beerman and GIKV partnered for a successful donation drive resulting in __ crates of clothing. Donations were of exceptional quality! Retail thanks Elder Beerman & their customers for all of their efforts in making the drive a success. Retail welcomes two new employees -- Sandy Skeen, Elkview Manager and Wanda Duley, Assistant Manager in training. March 31 brought the Good Turn for Goodwill Girl Scout Drive and the end of the First Quarter Sales -- we will be reporting back on the progress soon!

News from EE&T

John Taylor and Director of EE&T, Jennifer Logan attend VCU Grant Training



➔ EE&T participated in the DRS Job Fair March 22nd. The fair was widely attended by High School Students from surrounding counties. GIKV utilized a power point presentation to educate on Goodwill during 20 minute segments for approximately 100 students per viewing!
 ➔ EE&T had three [3] placements within supported employment for the month of March -- Krogers, Critter Creek Boarding in Mink Shoals, GIKV Janitorial Services each have a new employee thanks to EE&T
 ➔ EE&T and Community Relations attended a grant seminar hosted by DRS. Presenters were from the Virginia Commonwealth University. The training placed an emphasis on best practices for successful completion of grant proposals. GIKV is very excited to begin grant work and further expand and fund the mission.

There is no I in TEAMWORK!!!

The mission of Goodwill Industries of Kanawha Valley, Inc., is to assist persons with disabilities or those who are otherwise vocationally disadvantaged to achieve full participation and integration into society.

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Message from the President/CEO

Thank you

As we head into April, Goodwill is fortunate to have many good tidings to report. This month's newsletter is packed with information on the happenings here at GIKV. To mention just a few: the Contracts Department has been honored twice by NISH in the last month and was featured during West Virginia Secretary of State Betty Ireland's recent "Here to be Heard" press conference; Retail had successful donation

campaigns with Elder Beerman and the Black Diamond Girl Scouts; Human Resources completed the MAGIC survey and Finance completed another year with a clean audit. We are so proud of all our employees and are anxiously awaiting the Annual Dinner April 11, 2007 -- ready to honor our employees and clients for their hard work and dedication over the last year. I look forward to seeing you there!

Take care,

Don't forget to reserve your space for the Annual Dinner . . . WV Secretary of State Betty Ireland will be our guest speaker! April 11, 2007 at the Charleston Marriott . . . call 346-0811 to make your reservation today!



SPOTLIGHT ON GIKV Participation



Lisa Hudnall of United Way presents President/CEO David Acord with GIKV's Award



Board Member Susan Thompson, David Acord and Board Member Stephen Weber with GIKV's Award

United Way Honors GIKV

Thursday, March 22, 2007 -- GIKV was honored during United Way's March Madness Campaign Victory Celebration. President/CEO David Acord accepted the Health & Human Services Award for the 2nd Largest Percentage Increase in Dollars raised. Board Members Susan Thompson and Stephen Weber were on hand to enjoy the celebration! Thanks goes to all the GIKV employees that contributed to the United Way campaign -- making this award possible!!

THE CARF SURVEY TEAM WILL BE ON LOCATION AT GIKV -- APRIL 12TH-13TH

Board Member Orientation



New Member Marshall McMullen and existing members Jenny Parsons and Brian King taking part in the lunchtime discussion

New and existing Board Members attended an Orientation on March 13th to learn more about GIKV and CARF Accreditation. The meeting included: informational videos, a tour, light lunch and an open panel question and answer discussion. Thank you for your participation.

Important Dates to Remember

April 6th	Good Friday
April 8th	Easter
April 11th	GIKV Annual Dinner
April 12th-13th	CARF Survey
April 25th	Administrative Professionals Day
May 13th	Mother's Day



Coming to a Location Near You . . . 'Here to be Heard'



On May 8, 2007 GIKV will serve as location to help the WV Secretary of State's Office & WVARF to register more West Virginians with disabilities to vote. GIKV was out in full force during the recent campaign kick-off press conference (see photo below). If you are over 18 and not registered to vote, please take advantage of this great opportunity. For more information you can contact the WV Secretary of State's Office at (304) 558-6000 or follow the link on our website: www.goodwillkv.com We are proud to be promoting democracy and helping more people have their concerns heard!

GIKV State Capitol Contracts out in force for the 'Here to be Heard' Campaign



Staff Updates CPR/AED & First Aid

Licensing

March 6, 2007 -- Human Resources arranged for members of the staff to re-certify CPR/AED and First Aid Skills. Employees were glad to have the opportunity to review procedures and brush up on techniques.



Tom Breeden & Brett Barker practice CPR during a recent training course



LeAnn Barnhouse demonstrates proper CPR method

