



Kiwanis International

Kiwanis Club of White Oak Golden K, Newnan
July 29, 2010 - Welcome everyone - We're glad you're here.
Today's Program: Mike Merget - Coweta Master Gardner Program

Mike Merget - In His Own Words

- I was born in Brooklyn, NY in 1938 and lived in New York until joining the Navy in 1958. I was stationed at Pensacola NAS and operated Link Trainers until becoming a Survival Instructor in 1960, training NAVCADS and OTC at Eglin AFB in the techniques of survival, escape and evasion.
 - Married a Florida girl 50years ago and graduated from the University of Florida in 1965 pursuing a career in transportation. Barbara and I have two daughters and four granddaughters and soon all of them will be living here
 - I established and operated corporate fleets, managed leasing company districts, and was involved in other operational activities such as designing new buildings, recycling, and environmental issues.
 - Lived in Miami, Tampa and Jacksonville until moving to Lilburn in 1973
 - Helped establish Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful Recycling Bank and several other major recycling operations in the Atlanta Metro area.
 - Served on the Board of Gwinnett Clean & Beautiful and the Governors environmental task force under Joe Frank Harris where new legislation was created to help clean up Georgia.
 - Built a house in Newnan in 1999 to enjoy a southern way of life.
 - Left the private sector and helped establish the State of Georgia Fleet Administration office from which I retired in 2006
- Became a Master Gardener in 2007



The countdown to Geneva begins!

Start planning to join fellow Kiwanians on the trip of a lifetime—the 2011 Kiwanis International Convention in Geneva, Switzerland. Visit the Geneva convention website at www.KiwanisOne.org/Geneva—available in English, French and German—and sign up now to receive convention updates via e-mail. Mark your calendars with these important steps:

August 1: Make your hotel reservations in Geneva and sign up for exciting tours of the area. Tours will take you to local attractions in the fabulous city of Geneva, give you a taste of Switzerland's many famous cities or let you explore many European countries, including Italy, France and Germany, to name a few.

October 1: Register for the 2011 convention and get the early bird rate.

July 7-10, 2011: See you in Geneva!

Lucerne Kapellbrücke



Georgia **MASTER GARDENER** Volunteers Are:

Motivated to share their knowledge and expertise.

Accessible to other Master Gardeners, Extension professionals, and the public.

Service-oriented to enhance their communities and the environment.

Trained by Cooperative Extension in current horticultural practices.

Excited about meeting other people who enjoy gardening.

Research ambassadors who provide cutting-edge horticultural information to consumers.

NEWS ALERT:

2010 Master Gardener Library Programs - The A. Mitchell Powell Jr. Public Library is again hosting Master Gardener presentations. The next gardening program will be held on Friday, August 6 at 11:00 a.m.

Backyard Association - The Backyard Association is sponsored by the Coweta County [Master Gardeners](#) and provides free gardening sessions for the general public the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The sessions last approximately one hour, and Master Gardeners are available before and after the session to help with gardening questions. Call **(770) 254-2620** to register for door prizes.

See you at the next BYA meeting:

Understanding When Dues are Due (To Kiwanis International)

Several years ago, KI billed all clubs at the same time. That was changed to bill clubs at different times based on the date clubs were organized. During the 2009 International Convention, the House of Delegates approved a Common Billing Date for dues, which will be effective October 2010 for North American and Caribbean Clubs only. In other words, we're going back like it was - all clubs billed at the same time. Here's how our club will be billed for the next couple of years until we get back to being like it was (Due Oct. 1 and payable NLT Nov. 30)

Clubs organized between May 1 and August 31 (Billing Group 3): (That's us. We were organized in July)

Year 2010-11 (Oct 1, 2010 - Sep. 30, 2011)

- Payment based on club roster as of September 30, 2010
- Due February 1, 2011
- Payable no later than March 31, 2011

Year 2011-12 (Oct 1, 2011 - Sep. 30, 2012)

- Payment based on club roster as of September 30, 2011
- Due December 1, 2011
- Payable no later than January 31, 2012

Year 2012-13 (Oct. 1, 2012 - Sep 30, 2013)

- Payment based on club roster as of September 30, 2012
- Due October 1, 2012
- Payable no later than November 30, 2012

Upcoming Programs/Events

Aug 5: Canongate Golf Clubs
Aug 12: U. S. Congressman Lynn Westmoreland - Legislative Update
Aug., 13 -15 Georgia District of Kiwanis Annual Convention
8-19 Mel Hayden - Convention Updates (State and International)

Update on Club Satellite at Wesley Woods

Mel Hayden, as Co-chair of the WOGK Membership Development Committee, is working with Lucy Hayden, President of the Coweta Club on establishing a Club Satellite at Wesley Woods. At this point, we have about five residents and staff who have said they will apply for membership. The two men (Jim Kelly and another) will be members of our club and the three women will be in the Coweta Club. We're hoping to get this done by the first of September.

Lucy and I will be presenting a document to our club Boards that explains how this concept works. Basically, the members of the club satellite will meet on their own schedule - they are not required to attend our meetings; however, they may do so. As they are able, they may help us on projects, and we will assist them on projects (approved by our Boards) they may want to complete at Wesley Woods or other places in the community.

Both WOGK and CC will help get programs to the Club Satellite at Wesley Woods.

We believe this is going to be a win - win situation, with benefits to our clubs as well as Wesley Woods.

More later.

Officers 2009 - 2010

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Directors

<u>2007 - 2010</u>	<u>2008 - 2011</u>	<u>2009 - 2012</u>
Al Lewis	Skip Ellis	Neil Newton
Don McCarty	Lee Hunter	Frank Reece

**Meeting Every Thursday 9:00 a.m. at: Sprayberry's Restaurant
Hwy. 34 at I-85, Newnan, Georgia**

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