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Kiwanis Club of Tysons members pack meals for Generosity Feeds in Reston, VA.

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Governor's Message

Jon Rife, 2017-18 Governor



I would like to take a few minutes to welcome all of our Capital District Kiwanians to our 100th Anniversary year! I am so honored and humbled for the opportunity to help lead our great district.



Capital will celebrate its 100th Anniversary in Reston, VA on August 17-19, 2018. Mark that date now and plan to attend. District Convention Chairperson April Gassler has created a Facebook page—100th Annual Capital District Kiwanis Convention. Please like it and share it! April has a “Trivia Tuesday” question on Capital District past events. Our hope is to get all clubs excited and involved with this once in a lifetime 100th Anniversary Celebration.

Congratulations to Past Governor Kelly Boswell for all her hard work this past year. The many hours and miles traveled is a testament of Kelly’s passion and dedication to our Kiwanis family. I also want to thank PG David Heppner for all his encouragement.

His mentorship during my term as Southwest VA Region Trustee greatly helped me. I also learned much when I served as his chair of Long Range Planning when he was Capital District Governor. The knowledge I gained during those five years helped prepare me for this journey as your Capital District Governor.

My motto is “Learning from the past, preparing for the future.” I feel so fortunate to have served as trustee under PG Jeffrey Wolff, PG Carolyn Richar, PG Scott Zimmerman and PG Brian Bell. As PG Carolyn said, “We have many challenges and opportunities in front of us.” PG Scott said, “Thanks to every Kiwanian in our Capital District who has been willing to step up to lead others and

do the important work associated with serving the children of the world.” As PG Brian mentioned, “We should proudly reflect on the past successes and accomplishments of our great organization and what your club has meant to your community.” As PG David mentioned, “We have vast opportunities before us. The tools to help each of us achieve our goals are available through our district leadership. As immediate PG Kelly says, “We must plan now to ensure that Kiwanis—and most important, the children and communities we serve—flourish long into the future.

I have shared my vision, my goals, my strategy and my tactics to accomplish my goals. I will now share them with all Capital Kiwanians. My vision is for

our Capital District to be a positive influence in our communities. My goals are to build a membership network throughout our Capital District and to open seven new clubs during my administration year-10/1/2017 to 9/30/2018. My strategy to accomplish my goals of seven new clubs is for each region to open one club, and my region of Southwest VA to open two clubs.

My tactic to accomplish this would be to have each Trustee be a Region Coordinator for The Formula under the leadership of chair Missy Zimmerman and co-chair Scott Zimmerman. Each division would have one club opener and two club coaches; each Trustee would work closely with division LTGs.

My team, "The Rife Stuff" is based loosely on the book *The Right Stuff* by Tom Wolfe (no kin to Jeff!). In this true to life story, our country was in a race to space with Russia. This was a new frontier and the science did not exist to accomplish this. Our best engineers and scientists said the sound barrier could not be broken. Yet, many brave test pilots risked their lives to do what had never been done—to fly higher, faster, and farther than thought possible. They possessed the mental, physical, and emotional characteristics to do the impossible. They had "The Right Stuff."

I am so proud of our 17 LTGs and six Trustees. I am convinced this "Rife Stuff Team" can reverse 25 plus years of declining membership and clubs:

from 10,119 members and 235 clubs in 1991-92 to presently 4,363 members and 141 clubs. We have a detailed game plan for each region to attain the goal of opening clubs. Our "Rife Stuff Team" include our 17 LTGs, who are responsible to serve their division, strengthen their clubs, and grow their members; to our six Trustees who will work closely with respective LTG's and be regional coordinators for the Formula under Chair Missy Zimmerman; and to our Board members: Tom Varner, Secretary / Treasurer; PG Kelly Boswell; and Governor-Elect John Morris are here to serve the members of our great Capital District.

Let's dream big, focus, and have fun as we achieve our goals.

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Around Capital

The Formula: More Hands for Service!

by Missy Zimmerman
The Formula District Chairperson

Happy new year, Kiwanians of the Capital District! This past week Immediate Past Governor Kelly Boswell and I sent out thirty-four letters and certificates of appreciation. The recipients are all the clubs in the Capital District that had a net gain of two or more members. Here's what the letter said:



Dear President of the Kiwanis Club of _____,

Enclosed you will find a certificate recognizing your club for its dedication to our Kiwanis mission of improving the world one child and one community at a time. For every pair of hands your club brings into our fellowship an average of 204 children are supported every year. That adds up fast!

As you are probably aware, the total number of members in Kiwanis has been decreasing every year for over a decade. While we remain an International force for good, we are doing less because we are fewer. Many clubs are struggling to remain active and that makes it even harder to grow. Many other worthy pursuits call for our time and treasure and that makes it even harder to grow. But grow we must in order to retain our position as the best service organization in the world.

In the Kiwanis year which just ended your club did just that! Your club is being recognized for being one of the 34 (out of 143) clubs in the Capital District of Kiwanis International which grew by more than one member!

Many of our clubs added members between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017. The best part of that is we gained new friends and colleagues in community service. This is certainly worth the effort of seeking and recruiting new members! But the reality of life is that members leave us, too. To grow as an organization, we need to add more than we lose. Each club strives to be "Plus One" by the end of every year and recognition is in place for those clubs which achieve it. Immediate Past Governor Kelly Boswell and I wanted to take this opportunity to recognize those clubs that went beyond "Plus One" and added two or more members to their rosters.

We thank you, and our children thank you, for a job well done!

The certificates look like this:



We are so proud of the following clubs who added enough members to their rosters this past year to be ahead of the game and able to contribute more to their communities:

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| Ashland | Prince Georges County |
| Bassett | Richmond |
| Chester | Richmond Young Professionals |
| Chincoteague | Roanoke |
| Christiansburg | Severna Park |
| Colonial Heights | Shenandoah Valley-Staunton |
| Council | Strasburg |
| Downtown Hampton | Suburban Frederick |
| Ellicott City | Towson-Timonium |
| Front Royal | Tuckahoe Richmond |
| Gloucester | Tysons |
| Marion | VA Beach Town Center |
| Martinsville | Washington |
| Mercury 64 - Hampton | Westminster |
| Middlesex, Saluda | Williamsburg |
| Montgomery Village | Wilmington |
| Old Point Comfort, Hampton | Wythe County |

Many clubs added new members to their rosters, but as we have seen, there's about an 18% loss for each club – so growth has to be more than that. The clubs above met this challenge, many spectacularly!

October 1, 2017 began a new Kiwanis year for all of us. The challenge is set before us anew: in order to retain the impact Kiwanis has had on our communities for the past 102 years, we must grow. Strengthening our existing clubs is absolutely important. Establishing new clubs will swell our ranks exponentially.

Here's a parting thought, "A house built on a firm foundation will weather many storms, providing safety and comfort for those within for many years. The same is true of a new Kiwanis club. Build a firm foundation so the club can stand on its own, flourish, and provide safety and comfort for the children in its community. A firm foundation is built by sponsoring Kiwanis clubs who guide, encourage, challenge and praise the new club into maturity. It's a big commitment! Why not collaborate with clubs nearby to share the load? If there is an underserved community near your club that needs a new Kiwanis club, talk to the leadership of other Kiwanis clubs near you about co-sponsoring. The more the merrier! All participating clubs can claim the new club chartering as long as all the clubs participate in making the charter happen."

Around Capital

Aid to Texas Flood Victims

By Art Riley

Past International Trustee

Many clubs within the Capital District have expressed interest in supporting Kiwanis Clubs on the Gulf Coast of Texas who are aiding flood victims in the area. Through my discussions with Kiwanians in the area, the need is great, they are working very hard to support victims, and are making progress. It is difficult to relay all of the information that Texas Kiwanians have provided to me. It is encouraging to realize that Kiwanians around the country are coming to the aid of victims in Florida and Texas. Some Capital District Kiwanians are also aiding California fire victims.

As the result of suggestions I have received, there are many ways Kiwanis Clubs and Kiwanians can help. The following outlines the many opportunities to assist:

Please forward the following information to clubs about this voluntary service opportunity:

1. Clubs who want to donate funds to help in the clean-up or for the distribution of Christmas toys can make a check payable to the Texas/Oklahoma Kiwanis District and I will deliver checks.
2. Individuals who want to make a personal tax-deductible donation, can make a check payable to

the Texas/Oklahoma Kiwanis Foundation. I will also deliver these checks.

3. Clubs can also donate gift cards to major national chains (Home Depot is giving a 50% discount to Texas Kiwanis aiding in flood relief so each \$100 is worth \$200 to Texas Kiwanis) Gift cards to Amazon, Walmart or Target are also appropriate. All checks and gift cards can be mailed to my home and I will deliver. I need to receive all checks and gift cards not later than November 27, 2017. Email rxarthur@aol.com to arrange delivery, please.
4. Clubs who wish to donate toys should be aware of the following:
 - DO NOT SEND CLOTHES
 - Toys should be for children between to ages of 0-12 and be NEW!
 - Toys should not be fragile.
 - Purchased toys should be as compact as possible and not be wrapped.
 - Toys should be under \$20.00 each. Ideas include: board games, models, Matchbox cars, stuffed animals, LEGO sets, dolls, toy trucks, books or tea sets.



- Please pack multiple toys in large cardboard boxes for packing in a truck.
 - Please notify me if your club is collecting toys. I will work with you to have the toys picked up during the week of November 26!
5. Any toys and gift cards collected prior to November 11 can be brought to the District Board Meeting in Fredericksburg on November 11.
 6. Clubs and individuals who would like to help save shipping costs by purchasing toys through Amazon and using their Amazon Prime status for free shipping should use the following ship to address: Pastor Brad McKenzie, Pasadena First Church of the Nazarene, 3610 Watters Road,

Pasadena, Texas 77504. Pastor Brad is a Kiwanian who is using his church facilities to assist in the distribution.

7. Clubs who want to use their Kiwanis account with Dollar Days (a Kiwanis Partner) can also use free shipping to the above address.

8. Clubs who would like to help restock libraries at schools and day care centers either now or after January 1 should contact me. I am working with Scholastic Books and will have some opportunities to supply books soon.

With these multiple options, Capital District Kiwanians can be of great assistance and I can assure you all donations (cash, cards or products) will be distributed by Kiwanians and will go directly to the people in need. Each donation will be greatly appreciated. If you have questions please contact me.

ELIMINATE Update

By PG John Tyner
MNT District Advocate

Our District has had a mighty hand in MNT, and the Campaign removed from our list Ethiopia in July and Haiti in August.—eliminating neonatal tetanus in the entire Western Hemisphere – leaving just 16 countries to go. That is quite a drop from the 40 countries Kiwanis started to help in 2010!

The fight to rid the world of MNT continues: Today, mothers and newborns are still dying of tetanus, primarily in Africa and South Asia, generally in areas where women are poor, have little access to health care and little information about safe hygiene during labor and delivery.

Once the disease is contracted, the fatality rate can be as high as 100% without hospital care and between 10% and 60% with hospital care. The true extent of the MNT death toll is unknown, as many newborns and their mothers die at home and neither the birth nor the death is recorded.

As the welcome news from Haiti demonstrates, UNICEF programming to eliminate MNT is both well-proven and efficient, but can only continue with the support of its partners like we Kiwanians who believe that MNT should be a disease of the past. The elimination of MNT in the Western Hemisphere is a significant achievement in the fight for child survival, and with continued support,



UNICEF can ensure that no mother and no family has to lose their baby to tetanus.

Let's continue our effort to complete our \$3 million pledge (raised 82% so far) through redeeming our remaining pledges and donating our last \$500,000. I'm delighted to say that our Secretary-Treasurer Tom Varner has become our latest major donor and that the Richmond Club has become our third 100K club in Capital. Our offer of a 20% "match" to those who wish to become a Walter Zeller Fellow (you contribute \$1,000, the district matches \$250) is working well, with 45 "matches" being used so far. Comments, suggestions and questions are welcome. Contact tyner@taliesan.com.

REMEMBER — Donate to help save mothers and babies from tetanus.

WHAT TO DO IN AND AROUND LAS VEGAS



Catch a show

Cirque du Soleil, magic shows, musicals, concerts, comedy. The choices are . . . dizzying.

Red Rock Canyon

The Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area offers desert beauty, towering red cliffs and abundant wildlife. Located 20 miles from Las Vegas.

Fountains at the Bellagio

With a combination of music, water and light, the Bellagio delivers a spectacular audiovisual performance with its majestic fountains. Free.

Hoover Dam

Named one of the Top 10 Construction Achievements of the 20th Century, Hoover Dam continues to draw crowds 80 years after its creation. The dam is 35 miles south of Las Vegas.

The Downtown Container Park

Made entirely of shipping containers stacked on top of each other, this outdoor park is a family-friendly shopping, dining and entertainment attraction.

Springs Preserve

The 180-acre Springs Preserve features an array of exhibits, galleries, trails, entertainment and gorgeous desert gardens that are fun and educational for all ages. Located 15 minutes away from Las Vegas.

Las Vegas Motor Speedway

Ever wanted to drive a Lamborghini or a McLaren, or perhaps a NASCAR model? Head to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway for an experience you'll never forget.

Our Firm Foundation

News From Our Capital District Kiwanis Foundation

Support of Children's Medical Centers

By Nancy Simonelli
Foundation President

In the 1986 – 1987 administrative year the Capital District Kiwanis Foundation made the first gift to a Children's Pediatric Center. It was a contribution of \$3,500 to the Children's Hospital National Medical Center in Washington, DC.

Three hospitals were added in the 1987 – 1988 administrative year:

- Children's Center John Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, MD
- Children's Medical Center, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA
- Children's Medical Center, University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville, VA

In 1991 – 1992 two more hospitals were added:

- Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters, Norfolk, VA
- Children's Hospital at Community Hospital of Roanoke Valley, Roanoke, VA

In 1992 – 1993 another hospital was added:

- The Medical Center of Delaware, Wilmington, DE



In 2013 – 2014 the Nicewonger Children's Hospital in Johnson City, TN became the eighth hospital supported by the CDKF. The reason for this selection is that parents in Southwest Virginia use this hospital in many cases for a child with a serious illness since it is closer than Roanoke, VA.

The Capital District Foundation continues to support the 8 Hospitals by donating all proceeds from the Ducky Derby ticket sales, the Caring Corner Basket Raffle, the sale of t-shirts, jackets, sweatshirts, etc. at the convention and on the website, and the sale of the license plate frames. The officers and directors of the Capital District Foundation appreciate the support clubs and members have given to carry on this noble project.

Eye On KI

News from Kiwanis International



Thank you for being part of the greatest service organization in the world. You are part of a global network of clubs, individuals, alumni, donors, organizations and corporate partners working to improve communities for children. How cool is that?

During this new administrative year, I ask you to lead by example and concentrate on improving the membership of your club. The leadership of our organization is focused solely on opening new clubs and attracting more members to our ranks. If we want to continue making a difference in our communities, mentor our Service Leadership Programs and improve the lives of children, we must increase our membership. Kids need Kiwanis.

If we can conceive that we can strengthen existing clubs by adding new members, and if we believe we can open new clubs in new communities, then we can achieve a growth in membership and, therefore, increase the impact of our service. When Kiwanians work together, what we can achieve greatly exceeds what we can do individually.

Thank you for all you do. I'm humbled to lead this great organization by example.

Jim Rochford
2017–18 President
Kiwanis International

ELIMINATE

maternal/neonatal tetanus



Urgent Funding Needed for MNT Elimination

Pakistan is making great progress in eliminating MNT. This past year, the Punjab Province eliminated MNT, and now the Sindh Province is preparing for a pre-validation assessment.

Riding this wave of success, two other provinces are now pushing for elimination by the end of the year and urgently require US\$2.2 million to reach women in these high-risk areas. Please contribute today.

As of September 23, 2017, The Eliminate Project has collected US\$72,135,475 in cash gifts. MNT is still present in 16 countries, where mothers and babies are relying on Kiwanians to fulfill our pledges and eliminate this deadly disease. Cash gifts ensure that UNICEF can carry out immunization campaigns.



Candidates for Kiwanis International Board Election Released

The list of announced candidates for election to the Kiwanis International Board at the 2018 Kiwanis convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, is now available. This list is based upon information received from the candidates and their districts.

PRESIDENT: (one (1) one-year term to be elected)

- Florencio C. "Poly" Lat, Metro Manila, Philippines

PRESIDENT-ELECT: (one (1) one-year term to be elected)

- Daniel Vigneron, Howald, Luxembourg

VICE PRESIDENT: (one (1) one-year term to be elected)

- John E. DeVilbiss, West Alexandria, Ohio, USA
- Gary Levine, Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada
- Arthur N. Riley, Westminster, Maryland, USA
- Terry White, Evansville, Indiana, USA

TRUSTEES: Six (6) trustee offices will be filled as follows:

UNITED STATES AND PACIFIC CANADA — Three (3) three-year terms to be elected at the 2018 Kiwanis International convention in Las Vegas, Nevada (June 28–July 1, 2018) by delegates from the United States and Pacific Canada Region. Announced candidates are:

- Katrina Baranko, Albany, Georgia, USA
- Tom Currier, Greenville, South Carolina, USA
- George Delisle, Westfield, Massachusetts, USA
- Steve Emoff, Yakima, Washington, USA
- Ronald E. Smith, Fountain Hills, Arizona, USA



Top 10 new features of the Club Grant program

The Kiwanis Children's Fund launched a new Club Grant program on October 1, 2017. This revised program is designed with our clubs in mind, and we are very happy to share its exciting new features. Below are the top 10 new features of the revised Club Grant program.

1. Guide to Club Grants: Clubs can find all the information they need to complete a club grant application in one place.
2. Applicants have access to a library of supplemental online resources to assist with the grant application process.
3. All materials have been translated in six languages.
4. Club grant applications will now be submitted through our easy-to-use, online grant management system, Foundant.
5. For visual learners, a new video demonstrates how to submit an application through Foundant.
6. A new community-needs assessment teaches clubs how to gather data about their communities and use it to measure their impact.

7. The application process is now broken into two steps: a Letter of Inquiry and the full grant application.
8. Clubs can submit Letters of Inquiry year-round.
9. Clubs will be contacted by Children's Fund staff to discuss their project's potential for funding, typically within two weeks of submitting a Letter of Inquiry.
10. Funding decisions are made three times per year: June 1, October 1 and January 1.

Kiwanis Children's Fund October Board Meeting Minutes Published

The minutes of the October 4-8, 2017, Kiwanis Children's Fund Board meeting are now finalized. They can be found here and will be approved at the February 8, 2018, Kiwanis Children's Fund Board meeting. If you need further information regarding committee reports and tabs, please contact Denise Parker at dparker@kiwanis.org

Ensure your Kiwanis Club thrives

Take stock in all your club provides to your community. What would happen if your members disappeared, leaving the vital service you provide left unfilled. Share your love of Kiwanis to make sure your club thrives.



Was your club out in the community making a different this Kiwanis One Day?

We want to hear about it! Please send Jen Wolff the information and photos so that we can feature you in our December/January issue!

The deadline is November 25.

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Leadership Lessons

Building Leadership



Cultivate leadership potential in everyone

- **Invite new members who are “doers.”** Encourage them to give input for club activities and empower them to take action.
- **Monitor accomplishments.** Encourage members who took an active role in the success of a project or fundraiser to continue developing their skills by leading committees or taking on future roles as a club director or officer.
- **Appreciate jobs well done.** Recognizing members and leaders for their hard work provides a “paycheck” for their service and often encourages future action.
- **Promote mentoring.** Encourage members showing interest in a leadership role to shadow the person currently filling the role.

What to look for

Among other things, great leaders are:

- **Skilled listeners.** They ask the right questions and listen carefully to the responses.
- **Problem solvers.** They know how to determine the right steps to take and what resources to use to address concerns.
- **Passionate advocates.** Their commitment to the Kiwanis mission is contagious.
- **Visionaries.** They inspire others to follow them even when they cannot see the end result.
- **Change agents.** They provide sufficient stability for the organization to operate while catalyzing transformation.
- **Master communicators.** They tell stories in a compelling and interesting way.
- **Do-ers.** They’re action-oriented, focusing on taking initiative and leading.

Prepare leaders for success

People are more willing to commit—and become better leaders—when they know the expectations of the position. Here are some keys for helping them:

- **Establish a club culture.** Set expectations for club leaders by setting them for the club itself—so people know they’ll be supported with training and education, recognized for their achievements and encouraged to work toward success.
- **Develop a multi-year strategic plan.** When the club has goals, people know how to work toward success.
- **Provide orientation and training.** Prepare people for their specific positions. A number of educational resources are available from Kiwanis International:
 - Club leader tools
 - Club leadership education
 - Webinars
 - Leadership Guide

Service Showcase

News From Capital District Kiwanis Clubs

Division 2

The **Kiwanis Club of Fairfax, VA** packed 360 meals for needy kids through Meals for Young Minds. Thanks to Girl Scout Troop 3892 from Oakton for helping out.

The foundation of the **Kiwanis Club of Tysons, VA** was a proud sponsor at a recent Generosity Feeds event where 10,000 meals were packed for local children and families in need. Many club members, George Mason University CKI members, Key Clubbers from Marshall High School & Chantilly High School, and some friends and family participated!



Division 12

Kiwanis Club of Williamsburg, VA members participated in the United Way Day of Caring at the Jamestown 4-H Camp. After enjoying a breakfast together, they jumped into our projects, starting with covering the 4-H pool for the season, as they do each fall. Other activities that they did included fixing wooden benches, building some new ones, fixing the pier hand rails, painting, and pressure washing.



Division 15

The **Kiwanis Aktion Club at Worcester County Developmental Center** has started a project making cards for soldiers for Veterans Day and other holidays. The **Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City** advisors to the Aktion Club, Carolyn

Dryzga and Steve Cohen, met on Tuesday September 12th with club members as they worked on the cards. Details of sales of the cards are not yet available, but will be forthcoming as the project builds the handmade inventory.

Family Ties

Updates from Our Kiwanis Family

Key Club Maegan Richards, Governor

Capital District Kiwanians,

Since the last issue of *The Capital Kiwanian*, the Capital District Key Club has been working exceptionally hard. Our District has been working with the Boys & Girls Club to provide them with the necessities they need, whether through donations or service. Our district board has been preparing for our upcoming Fall Rally event which is October 14th at Kings Dominion in Doswell, Virginia. Fall Rally is a great way to kick off our year of service and inspire our district members as the school year gets into full swing. We will have guest speakers, games, and much more! As well as that, I have just initiated my Governor's Project, PayItFORward. This project is one that encourages our Key Club district to volunteer at local retirement homes or assisted living facilities. They can play games, host dances, bingo, you name it! The Kiwanis Family can also help by making cards alongside Key Clubbers to send to these homes.

Most recently, we held our September Board meeting in Williamsburg, Virginia, alongside our Kiwanis and CKI counterparts! Personally, I truly enjoyed meeting more of our district's Kiwanis Family. It was a great weekend filled with fun, food, and amazing people! CKI Governor Morgan Massa and I have recently been brainstorming to find a way to improve interaction and cooperation among all of our Kiwanis Family organizations. Through the month of November, board members from each of the three branches will send us pictures of themselves participating in Kiwanis Family events that we could each post on our District's social media. This would be a perfect way to celebrate and incorporate Kiwanis Family month into each of our districts! I hope you all have a great holiday season, and I can't wait to see what these next couple of months have in store for the Kiwanis Family!

Yours in service and friendship,

Maegan Richards



CKI Morgan Massa, Governor

Hello Capital Kiwanians!

The Capital District CKI Board enjoyed participating in another Kiwanis Family Weekend this past September in Williamsburg, VA. Throughout the weekend, the CKI Board had a chance to meet with and engage in educational, collaborative, and fun filled activities with the Key Club and Kiwanis Boards. I know that the CKI board left the weekend engaged and ready to promote Kiwanis Family Month in November.

CKI is growing our Kick-It Partner Mentorship Program. This is a mentorship program between CKI students and Kiwanians that provides opportunities to grow professional connections and stronger Kiwanis-family relations. The program matches a CKI student with a Kiwanis mentor in their sponsoring Kiwanis club who has a similar career field interests. Students have nothing but positive feedback and emphasize that the mentorship it fosters is not beneficial to their own lives, but to the Kiwanians' lives as well. This program also allows Kiwanians to engage in a younger community base and grow relations with the members they sponsor, allowing support to flourish through a non-financial lens. If your Kiwanis club would be interested in starting up a Kick-It Partner Program, please contact me for more details (governor@cdcki.org).

Capital District CKI is also looking forward to our annual Fall Membership Rally in Front Royal, Virginia from November 3-4th. This year we will be SERVE-iving throughout the weekend through workshops promoting leadership development, officer education, community engagement, and the WASH initiative (CKI's newest campaign)! We are expecting prospective CKI members and current members to come join in on the fun and spark a district-wide excitement for the academic year!

Thank you all for your continued support of CKI!

Yours in Service and Leadership,

Morgan Massa



The Capital Record



Honors

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines – Ocean City, MD was honored to receive the Volunteer Spirit of Worcester County Award 2017 at the Atlantic Hotel in Berlin, Maryland on Thursday August 24th.

Donations

Kiwanis Club of Ellicott City sponsors Cub Pack 838. Tonight at the October Pack Meeting, Len Hart presented a check to the Pack Leaders, Lou Hromoda Committee Chair and Carlos Cisneros Scoutmaster. This check is slated for use within each Den to offset the cost of their craft projects and rank advancement. Kiwanis Club of Ellicott City is proud to sponsor the Pack and support the Leadership of the Pack!

Fundraising

All year long the Kiwanis Club of Greater Ocean Pines-Ocean City “Dawg Team” can be found, under their white tent, selling hotdogs, sometimes other types of sandwiches, drinks and refreshments at many of the Ocean Pines events, like the Cruiser Parade on Sunday October 8th. The team raised \$400 at that event and had a great time doing it!

Welcome to Kiwanis

Ken Ashby and Maris Segal,
Williamsburg
Maggie Wilson, Tysons

Happy Anniversary

October

Manassas.....	1924
Crewe.....	1924
Chesapeake.....	1927
East Baltimore.....	1947
Mercury 64.....	1962
Capitol Hill.....	1963
Gloucester.....	2008

November

Wilmington.....	1918
Roanoke.....	1919
Pocomoke City.....	1953
North Richmond.....	1953
Greater Richmond.....	1956
Waldorf.....	1979
Annapolis.....	1980
Central Chesterfield.....	1983

Beyond the Call

Nominate a deserving Kiwanian for *Beyond the Call*. Contact editor@capitaldistrictkiwanis.org

James Edward “Jim” Thomas Kiwanis Club of Arlington, VA

On August 23, 2017, the Kiwanis Club of Arlington lost a valued member. James Edward “Jim” Thomas died suddenly of an apparent heart attack at 80 years of age. He is survived by his wife, Vicki Ann, two sons and their wives, four grandchildren, and countless friends. Jim will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors at a later date.

Born in Kansas in February 1937, Jim spent much of his life in California. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army in July 1959 after graduating from San Jose State College. His 27-year Army career began as an artillery officer and he ultimately earned the rank of Lieutenant Colonel after tours of duty in Korea, Italy, Vietnam, the Pentagon, Germany, and Ft. Sheridan, IL. After leaving the Army, Jim worked in management roles with a federal government contractor, finally retiring in 1997.

Jim joined the Arlington Club on September 24, 2003, and was sponsored by Past Governor Warren Kane. He worked at the club’s fundraisers including the Antique Show, Oyster Feast/Pig Roast, and blueberry sales. All of these fundraisers support grants to various charities in Arlington. When asked if he would like to be editor of the club’s weekly newsletter, the ARKI, or be a Kiwanis Advisor to a sponsored youth program, Jim volunteered to

do both. His accurate and timely reports in the ARKI kept the club and members of the Capital District informed of the club’s activities, a summary of speaker’s programs, and upcoming events. The Arlington Kiwanis Club recognized his service as Kiwanian of the Year in 2007 and he was selected as a Kiwanis International Foundation George F. Hixson Fellow in December 2008.

For approximately the last 10 years, Jim has been the Kiwanis Advisor for the Key Club at Washington-Lee High School. During that time, the Key Club has grown from a handful of members to almost 60 enthusiastic students. Jim rarely missed a meeting and encouraged other club members to attend, usually forming an interclub. He kept in touch with graduated members of the Key Club to find out how they are doing in their studies and life.

Kira Jordan was one of the first presidents of W-L’s Key Club when Jim began as the Kiwanis Advisor. She is now the Faculty Advisor for the club, which is a testimony of Jim’s positive influence on these young adults. The Arlington Club supported the Key Club members in attending the Capital District Key Club Convention. Some years, more than a dozen members attended the conventions and Jim often went as a chaperone.



Jim’s family has chosen to honor him by establishing a scholarship in his name to be awarded to a Washington-Lee High School Key Club member. This scholarship will be administered by the Kiwanis Foundation of Arlington and all will be welcome to donate to this fund in his memory. More details will be available when the process is complete.

The Kiwanis Club of Arlington will truly miss their friend Jim. His quick wit and broad smile always brightened the room. The Kiwanis Club of Arlington is indebted to Jim for his contributions.

ONE PERSON CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE, AND EVERY PERSON SHOULD TRY.

—JOHN F. KENNEDY

At Kiwanis, we take the words of President Kennedy to heart. We believe that by working together we can uplift our communities and make the world a better place for our children. We'd love for you to join us. Please come to our open house, meet our members and find out what we do to serve the community and make the world a better place.

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