



**Sam II and Sam III
enjoying the Star press
conference!**

Kiwanians,

Your Board of Directors met Monday and approved programs for August, which are designed to appeal to all Members but especially those under 40. I hope Members will invite guests to the meetings in **August (4th, 11th, 18th & 25th)** and help with this membership effort which is being headed up by Kevin Reader, Leeann Linkenhoker and Mike O'Brochta.

The Board also made a referral to the Grants Committee on a procedural issue and reviewed plans for resumption of in-person meetings on July 14th; the Tinker Creek Clean-up on August 7th (contact John Ewart to sign up); and ELC (DCON) preparations, which will be at the Hotel Roanoke **August 20 - 22, 2021.**

My thanks to Joyce Montgomery for leading this effort and the rest of the Committee.

President Mike

Volunteer for our Tinker Creek Cleanup August 7th from 9:00 - 11:00. We will meet at the trail head parking lot located at 2036 Wise Avenue near the railroad tracks on the way to Vinton. We will work downstream as far as we can go. Bags, gloves and some grabbers will be available. We will have a couple of kayaks available for the creek and some Boy Scouts to help us. We will follow our Kiwanis COVID guidelines. Those vaccinated can go mask free; we will require signed liability waivers. Look for our Kiwanis banner in the parking lot! **Deadline for signing up is August 4.** Please contact **John Ewart** to sign up or if questions. Thanks so much!



This Week - First Responder Recognition!

Join us Wednesday for our weekly meeting via Zoom at 12:30PM. After the Roanoke Kiwanis Club's 18-month cessation of recognizing Roanoke City and County first responders due to the complications of COVID-19, we are proud and honored to be returning to this **in-person luncheon** program in the Roanoke City Market Building's third floor Charter Hall.

From Roanoke City and Roanoke County fire and rescue departments, we will recognize two individuals who - in addition to their regular, full-time assignments - took on the daunting and demanding responsibility of coordinating myriad needs and actions to deal with COVID-19 for well over a year. We will also honor a police officer who converted a routine traffic stop into a major felony arrest, and a police detective who not only obtained a confession to two recent shootings but also secured a confession to an earlier murder from the same suspect.

Zoom Meeting **Wednesday July 14 at 1230pm**

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We had an awesome press conference for the Roanoke Star unveiling last Friday! Great coverage on all three TV stations, WFIR radio and The Roanoke Star newspaper

IMPORTANT KIWANIS DATES

- **JULY 14, 2021** - IN PERSON MEETINGS RESUME
- **JULY 21, 2021** - FAMILY PROMISE OF ROANOKE - MARIE MUDDIMAN
- **AUGUST 20-22, 2021** - EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (ELC) AT HOTEL ROANOKE - THIS IS TAKING THE PLACE OF THE DISTRICT CONVENTION (DCON)

Help Needed To Invite Under 40ish Aged

Guests: Your help is needed to invite guests under the age of 40ish to our weekly August Club meetings. All of those meetings will feature speakers specifically focused on topics appealing to the under 40ish age demographic. If a couple dozen Club members can invite just one or two guests, we will end up with big crowds. Please contact **LeeAnne Linkenhoker** or **Kevin Reeder** for information or to volunteer to help.

The Return of In-Person Lunch Meetings!

Kiwanians, Welcome Back! We are very excited to announce that the Club will resume in-person meetings starting **this Wednesday, July 14**. A virtual option via Zoom will also be available for those that prefer to attend remotely. Below are a few tips and other information to encourage safe and enjoyable meetings for all Club members.

For Members attending in-person:

1. If you are feeling unwell (head cold, stomach upset, sore throat) please stay home! Instead use the virtual option. Members who are immune-compromised should also consider the virtual option.
2. **Unvaccinated Members are expected to wear a mask** at all times while attending in-person meetings. If you are concerned with wearing a mask the entire length of the meeting, the virtual option is available and may be a better choice.
3. **Vaccinated Members do not need to wear a mask** during the meeting.
4. There is an updated **liability waiver** that all Members attending in person will need to sign, even if you signed the old one previously. You only need to do this one time. Allow a little extra time before your first in-person meeting to execute this waiver. A version for visitors will also be available.
5. To ease into in-person meetings, the Reboot Committee recommended a few changes to the meeting format that will run through Labor Day. Specifically:
 - A **boxed lunch** will be served, instead of the usual buffet. **Please let John Montgomery know NO LATER THAN MONDAY AT NOON if you plan to attend and eat lunch** - and please include your guest so we have to correct number of meals prepared;
 - There will be **no singing** along with the musical selection
 - Only **6 Members will be seated at each table**.
6. If you are responsible for the invocation, song, pledge or are making an announcement, you will need to use the microphone so those attending virtually can hear your message. Please plan on being at the podium for these activities. It is very important to **speak clearly and directly into the microphone** so those attending virtually can hear.

For Members attending virtually:

1. The **Zoom link will go live at NOON** as all our virtual meetings have done. Members will be able to talk among themselves until the meeting starts. ****Keep in mind** - those in attendance at Charter Hall will not be able to hear you. **You're on Candid Camera!** Your image will be displayed on the big screen while it is not being used for program elements such as videos or speaker PowerPoints. ******
2. At **12:30 you will be muted** but may still use the Chat Function to send messages. One of the members helping to produce the meeting will be **monitoring the Chat Box** and will try to answer your questions or bring them President Mike's attention. If there is a sound or video problem, please notify us by Chat as soon as possible.
3. As the production team gets more experience, we may be able to unmute members during select times, but for now, virtual members will stay muted.
4. The **meeting will be recorded** and available later

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR PATIENCE!

Readers Today - Leaders Tomorrow



Folk Tails reading program at Mill Mountain Zoo!

We are providing Story Time at the Zoo each Monday morning this summer thanks to our volunteers who comprise the Readers Today - Leaders Tomorrow Committee.

Here is the listing of all of our volunteers:

July 19 - Clark Goodman

July 21 - Stephanie Moon Reynolds - program at 3 pm that day with Kids Soar

July 26 - Bill Bestpitch - Family Promise's visit

August 2 - Diane Strickland - YMCA visit being planned

August 9 - Vern Danielsen

August 16 - Lori Baker-Lloyd

We are combining this with sponsorship of 5 nonprofits to bring up to 20 children to the Zoo to both enjoy the Folk Tails activity and admission to the Zoo (Kids Soar, the West End Center, Family Promise, the YMCA, and Youth Enrichment Services).

Two friends of our club, Diane Strickland, Bonita Durham, are helping with the project partnership with the YMCA, as is Stephanie Moon Reynolds.

**THANK YOU to our volunteers and to Jessie Coffman,
Kiwanian and Director of Development for the Mill Mountain Zoo.**