



**This Week at Kiwanis -  
Latest News from the Virginia General Assembly**

**Join us Wednesday for our meeting at 12:30PM presented by**



We're looking forward to an update from our regional legislators. Senator John Edwards, Delegate Sam Rasoul, and Delegate Joe McNamara will respond to set questions about current happenings in the Virginia Legislature that have particular relevance to our Roanoke Valley. This annual update will be moderated by our Club Secretary, John Montgomery. This is a popular session - guests and media are welcome and encouraged!

**Zoom Meeting Wednesday June 15 at 1230pm**

**Link available at [roanokekiwanisclub.org](https://roanokekiwanisclub.org)**

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## IMPORTANT KIWANIS DATES

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- **JUNE 15, 2022** - LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - KEN BRIGGS & JOHN MONTGOMERY
- **JUNE 22, 2022** - LEADERSHIP ROANOKE VALLEY - BRIAN HUGHES
- **JUNE 29, 2022** - GOODWILL INDUSTRIES COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT - ZENITH BARRETT
- **JULY 6, 2022** - NO MEETING - HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY
- **JULY 11, 2022** - KIWANIS BOARD MEETING
- **JULY 13, 2022** - APPALACHIAN PIPING ACADEMY - GEOFFREY SAUR
- **JULY 20, 2022** - NO MEETING, INTERCLUB
- **JULY 27, 2022** - GROWING UP IN SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA - RALPH BERRIER
- **AUGUST 19-21, 2022** - KIWANIS DISTRICT CONVENTION (DCON) - BALTIMORE MD



June 2 -  
Dan Karnes

June 3 -  
Bill Logan  
Ben Spiker

June 4 -  
Joe Gaither

June 7 -  
Mac McCorkle  
Steve McGraw

June 8 -  
Mike Bell

June 11 -  
Reif Kessler

June 14 -  
Jill Sluss

June 15 -  
Sherman Holland

June 20 -  
Bart Wilner

June 22 -  
Phil Shiner

June 25 -  
David Hartman

June 28 -  
Ray Sarver

June 29 -  
Jim Arend

June 30 -  
Jeff Leatherwood  
Sam Rasoul

## Kiwanians Install Greenway Interpretive Signs

As part of the Kiwanis Environmental Committee's charge is to support Roanoke City Parks and Recreation's activities on the city's greenway system, Kiwanis focused on installing seven interpretive signs along the Roanoke River Greenway.

In coordination with Renee Powers and Katie Slusher of Parks and Recreation, a group of Kiwanians gathered on a bright Friday morning to install four of the signs. The city provided the tools and dug holes while Kiwanis provided concrete and manpower.

Kiwanis also purchased two new signs that had been destroyed in city floods. Five signs were scheduled for installation but one had location issues, so only four were installed. Volunteers signed up for morning or afternoon installs.

The morning team was so efficient that all four signs were installed in the morning. **Jim Randles, Mike Loveman, John Ewart, and Don Witt** worked the morning crew. **Sheyonn Baker, Alex Bowman, Andy Stone and non-member Mike Adams** had volunteered for the afternoon crew but were not needed. The remaining signs will be installed later this summer.



L-R: John Ewart, Don Witt, Mike Loveman, Jim Randles



## Kiwanis to Buys the Roanoke Star to Honor Dr. Brenda Hale!

All are invited to a Kiwanis ceremony on **August 12th** – on the top of Mill Mountain at the foot of the Roanoke Star. We look forward to standing together as a community to honor **Dr. Brenda Louise Hale**, whose leadership elevates us all. Hale devotes her life to serving our community and we are happy to honor her with a very special recognition. A group of Kiwanians got together and bid on the Roanoke Star at our KPAD auction to buy the rights to create and erect a plaque at the star to honor Dr. Hale. She is in her ninth-term as President of the Roanoke Branch NAACP. Steadfast in her commitment to community and justice, she truly possesses the ability to act as an agent for change, leading the way. Bidders included Cheri and David Hartman, Sheila Umberger, Rupe Cutler, Steve McGraw, Eric and Vern Danielsen, and Ryan LaFountain.

Hale is a retired US Army Sergeant First Class (E-7), a member of Loudon Avenue Christian Church, Gold Life Member of the NAACP, and the senior vice commander of the VFW Post 1444 in Roanoke. She is the first African American elected as secretary for the VA State Board of Nursing and has received numerous military commendations and community awards. We are so honored to put up a plaque recognizing this Star of the Star City!