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## **Celebrating Marc Davis**

KPAD is a wonderful example of community togetherness, a tapestry of the Roanoke Valley Community gathering to enjoy breakfast for a greater purpose. The Aktion Club is so tightly interwoven with Kiwanis that it is integral to our KPAD success. KPAD in motion, with the Aktion Club in our midst, is inspirational to behold: humble hearts and hands helping humanity.

The Aktion Club has three Kiwanis advisers -- Ken Briggs, Mike Loveman, and Mike Adams -- but the unsung hero of the Aktion Club is Marc Davis, who does all the planning, administrating, and executing on a tight budget. We just show up and participate a little bit, but Marc gets things done.

Kiwanis held a KPAD Success Celebration Day at Lee-Hi Bowling Lanes in Salem this past Tuesday to treat the Aktion Club members to bowling and lunch.

Marc Davis thought he was just supposed to show up and take some pictures,

but Bill Bestpitch, substituting for Ken Briggs, surprised Marc with an appreciation award (text of the award is below), and Marc got his own picture taken.

Pictures of the Aktion Club members and Marc receiving the award are attached.





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**Implicit Bias 101**  
**June 6, 7 - 8:30 pm**

Cheri and Dave Hartman urge our club to put June 6th on your calendars. As



leaders that we are - this session that starts at 7 pm and is virtual and free, offers important information to deepen our leadership skills. We are just better all around when we are aware of our implicit biases. “How not to ruffle feathers” as we worked on during our workshop at the Capital District- (when you missed seeing Don Witt dressed up as a chicken!!!) seriously - it is one of the most important ways we can live up to our commitment in our strategic plan to be inclusive - as truly kind Kiwanians. Join us June 6th at 7 pm! Here is the link to register:

<https://k03.site.kiwanis.org/diversity-equity-inclusion-belonging/>

Cheri and Dave


DEIB Capital District Committee members

**The Capital District Kiwanis Family  
Committee on Diversity, Equity,  
Inclusion & Belonging presents:**


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# IMPLICIT BIAS 101: WHAT IS IT?

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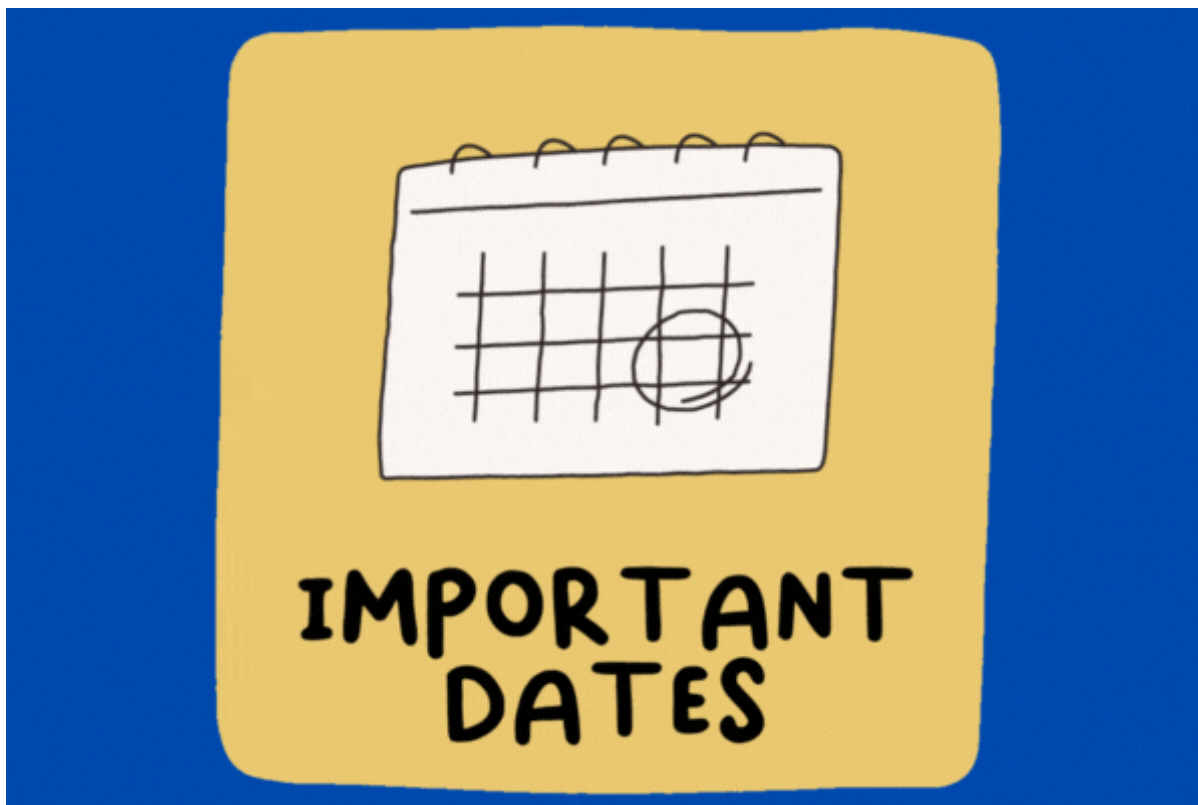


**Presenter:**  
**Decca Knight**



**Kiwanis**  
CAPITAL DISTRICT

**June 6, 7-8:30pm EST**



**May 31** - NO Meeting

**June 1** - (5 - 8 pm) Fun Social at Brady's Distillery

**June 6** - (7 - 8:30 pm) Implicit Bias 101

**June 7** - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting - LeighAnne Weitzenfeld, Roanoke Sustainability Coordinator

**June 14** - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting - KPAD Wrap-up Meeting

**June 15** - (5:30 pm) KPAD Close-out Meeting at Elks Club

**June 21** - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting - Joe Brinley, IBEW Local 20

**June 28** - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting - LEAP

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**May 30th No Club Meeting**

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**Highlights from our last club meeting!**







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Happenings

### **Fun!**

The FUN committee, led by Clark Goodman, Lois James and Emily Bailey, has scheduled a social at Brady's Distillery from 5-8 p.m. this Thursday evening, June 1. We are partnering with the Greater Williamson Road Area Business Association. Thanks to Kiwanian Lori Baker-Lloyd for personally covering our share of the band cost! Kiwanians will be on their own for refreshments. No reservations necessary.

### **Ironman**

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with the Ironman triathlon this Saturday, you can sign up for a shift on line or contact Past President Mike McEvoy. We are assisting with registration on Saturday; the event is scheduled for Sunday.

*More details on both of these events can be found on our club's website ([roanokekiwanisclub.org](http://roanokekiwanisclub.org)).*

### **Newsworthy**

Jeanne's tips on building a strong club, were featured in a recent Kiwanis International magazine article. You can read it [here](#).

### **Meeting Recordings**

Note that club meeting recordings can be found on our YouTube channel [here](#).

The picture below is our eagle scout candidate, Lucas Birdlebough, preparing concrete pads for our nature park benches.





### **Villa Heights Sign**

This is a picture of Bert and I in front of the villa heights sign which Kiwanis helped finance. We did some landscaping around the sign recently.

~ Don Witt





*Please email any potential happenings to Alex at [abargell@gmail.com](mailto:abargell@gmail.com).*

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## Kiwanian June Birthdays

Dan Karnes - 2  
Ben Spiker - 3  
Joe Gaither - 4  
Steve McGraw - 7  
Mike Bell - 8  
Reif Kessler - 11  
Dan Chitwood - 13  
Jill Sluss - 14  
Sherman Holland - 15  
Greg Lionberger - 16  
Bart Wilner - 20  
Phil Shiner - 22  
Milton Hardy - 25  
David Hartman - 25  
Peg McGuire - 28  
Ray Sarver - 28  
Jim Arend - 29  
Jeff Leatherwood - 30



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2022-23

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