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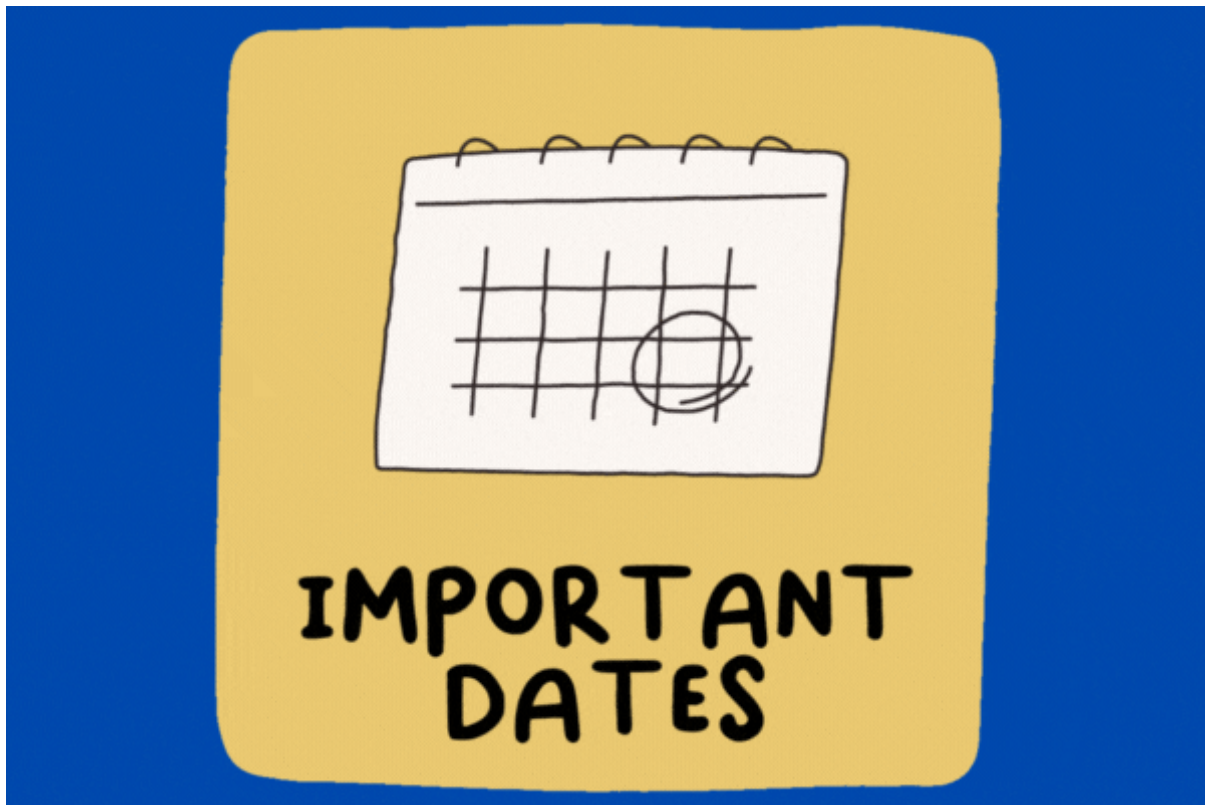
President's Message By Definition by Mike O'Brochta

By definition, projects bring about change. That's right. The official definition of a project, according to the Project Management Institute, is "a temporary endeavor undertaken to create a unique product, service, or result." The word "unique" is key. I spent my entire professional career at the CIA and running a consulting business bringing about unique results; some are even in the Spy Museum in Washington, D.C. In other words, something new and different, change. I am comfortable when I am leading change. Importantly, I understand that many others are not particularly comfortable with change. "Out with the old, in with the new. Shake things up. Blow away the cobwebs. Start with a clean sheet." Not everyone wants to experience this.

I get it. I get it. I also get that I was asked to fill the Club President position because of my background in leading change. All good stuff. How sweet it is when a successful organization that had not necessarily been consciously

looking for much change, and may have even been somewhat resistant to it, begins supporting it. That is huge. That is an indication of a strong future. That is appreciated. That is our Club.

Let's act on our theme – Outreach!



December 6 - (12:20* - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting - Rev. Dr. Amy Christine Hodge *Starting early as we have a full agenda

December 8 - (6-9 pm) Salvation Army Ringing of the Bell

December 9 - (7:30 - 9 am) West End Holiday Shopping

December 11 - (12:15 - 1:15 pm) Board Meeting

December 11 - (4 - 5 pm) Nature Park Project Committee Meeting
December 12 - (6 - 7:30 pm) West End Holiday Gift Wrapping
December 13 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) West End Christmas Party during Club Meeting
December 14 - (7 - 8 pm) Book Club Meeting
December 15 - (8 - 9 am) Membership Committee Meeting
December 15 - (6-9 pm) Salvation Army Ringing of the Bell
December 16 - (9:00 am - noon) Strategic Planning Committee
December 18 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Environment Committee Meeting

January 15 - (10:00 am - noon) Clean Up Day

May 4, 2024 - Kiwanis Pancake Day

Wednesday, December 6th - Club Meeting, Rev. Dr. Amy Christine Hodge

Join us Wednesday for our weekly meeting at 12:20 pm (early this week as we have a full agenda) to listen to Rev. Dr. Amy Hodge, the Executive Director at Kingdom Community Health Services. Rev. Dr. Hodge will introduce her organization, its mission, and accomplishments. She will discuss the science of hope as well as trauma informed care awareness. Her presentation will include a short interactive audience activity.

Rev. Dr. Hodge is the pastor of Mount Zion A.M.E Church located in Roanoke; she has 30 years of experience in the ministry. She is a graduate of Patrick Henry Community College, Virginia University of Lynchburg, Virginia Union University and received an honorary Doctor of Divinity from Eastern Theological Seminary. She served as a Community Health Engagement Coordinator for the Roanoke Alleghany Health Department.

Rev. Dr. Hodge has three children and five grandchildren.



Highlights from our last meeting



Preston Tyler Delivers the
Introspection



Cheri Hartman Delivering Nature
Park Project Update



Member Inductions: John Montgomery Supporting Martiza Steele and Greg Lionberger Supporting Matt Trantham



Hope Tree Family Services Lisa Clause Receiving Grant Check From Bob Habermann and Bob Rutherford



Big Crowd At Meeting



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Happenings

Calendars for Residents at Salem VA

Please recycle the calendars you receive in the mail that you are not going to use by bringing them to the Kiwanis meeting for the resident at the Salem VA. They are used to help the patients follow the date. Only 2024 calendars are needed. Thanks for recycling and supporting this Kiwanis

Meeting Recordings

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

Notes from John

We will be accepting holiday tips this Wednesday for our serving staff -- Amy, Lee and Hannah. Please be prepared for the passing of the tip can.

We will be signing a get-well card this week for former club and board member Gary Powers, who is battling pneumonia.

Kiwanis Book Club

The Kiwanis Book Club led by David Hartman will have its inaugural meeting on Thursday, December 14th, 2023 at 7 pm - to be held virtually.

Topic: Kiwanis Book Club inaugural meeting

Time: Dec 14, 2023 07:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting using link:

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pwd=WHZJZ1dhV2RpemZoeTIIRjlYdzlaZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84323534099?pwd=WHZJZ1dhV2RpemZoeTIIRjlYdzlaZz09)

Meeting ID: 843 2353 4099

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David W. Hartman (davidhartman4@cox.net; phone number in directory)

Horton's Branch Watershed Clean Up

Details are finalized: the next Horton's Branch Watershed Clean Up event will be held in partnership with the Envision Center (Roanoke Redevelopment Housing Authority) at Lansdown's ENVISION CENTER facility (2607 Salem Turnpike, Roanoke) and with Shiloh Baptist Church, SERV, Clean Valley Council, our district's Key Clubs, Aktion Club - all who can join us! Start time is 10:00 am - we will finish cleaning up by 12 noon. Join us for light refreshments, camaraderie and TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE! Sign up sheets and flyers will soon be found on your luncheon table -- OR email Cheri

Hartman to RSVP: chartman2423@gmail.com.

Dress warm and appropriately - Clean Valley Council will have grabbers, bags and vests for us. Who will use this Nature Park the most and our adjacent playground? Answer: this very neighborhood we are joining for the Clean Up - on MLK Jr Day - a day ON, not a day OFF as they say for this holiday!

Hope to see you then!

Cheri W. Hartman, Kiwanis Nature Park Co-chair with Don Witt and Rupert Cutler

Ringling of the Bell

Our Salvation Army Bell Ringers had excellent results from "ringing" on the first night of "Dickens of a Christmas," pictured below. Financial results will be announced at Wednesday's luncheon meeting.

Our schedule of volunteers is shown below. As you can see, we need two more volunteers to work with Joe Lemmer & Bruce Swanson on December 15. Please contact Joe or Bruce if you'd like to help.

If you plan to support the Salvation Army this year, please consider giving your gift to one of our ringers. Then it will be included in our "Kiwanis Kettle."

Kiwanis Club of Roanoke
Salvation Army Bell Ringing, 2023
Dickens of a Christmas

Friday, December 1—"Christmas Tree Lighting"

5 to 6PM—Dan Karnes; John Pendleton; Nancy Horn

6 to 7PM—Reif & Susan Kessler:

7 to 8PM—Keith Hartman & Nancy Hartman; Mike & Tiffini Bell

8 to 9PM—Joe Lemmer & Sally Lemmer; Pegram Johnson;

Friday, December 8—"The Christmas Parade"

5 to 6PM—Bob & Ann Rutherford; Will & Carol Dibling

6 to 7PM—Glenn & Sue Pierce; Ben & Beth Spiker

7 to 8PM—Ken Briggs; Jeff Schweiger*; JJ Harper*; Robbie Hairston*
*Members of our Aktion Club

8 to 9PM—David & Margarita Bowers; Preston Tyler & Chauna Hardy

Friday, December 15—"The SPCA Pet Costume Contest"

5 to 6PM—John & Sally Ewart; Andy & Marjorie Stone

6 to 7PM—Rupert Cutler & Brenda McDaniel; Betsy & Chris Bohannon

7 to 8PM—Joyce Waugh & guest Traci DeGroat; Stephanie & Earl Reynolds

8 to 9PM—Joe Lemmer; Bruce Swanson;

This report was updated on 12/04/23



Key Clubers

Last Saturday members of the Cave Spring Key Club volunteered at the Salem History Center fund day including Bruce Swanson's grandson, Isaiah, who was Frosty the Snowman!



Outreach Awards (initiative and follow through):

- Greg Lionberger
- Cheri Hartman (Pictured below receiving her ribbon)

Please email any potential happenings to Alex at abarge11@gmail.com.

Please consider sharing this email with a friend!

Kiwanian Birthdays

December 3 -- New member Fred Jeter
December 5 -- Jay Harlow
December 9 -- Lloyd Enoch
December 14 -- Jim Joyce
December 17 -- Mike McEvoy
December 21 -- New member Randy Myers
December 21 -- Diane DeHaven
December 23 -- Chuck Baker
December 26 -- Lois James
December 27 -- New member Maritza Steele
December 28 -- Judy Clark



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