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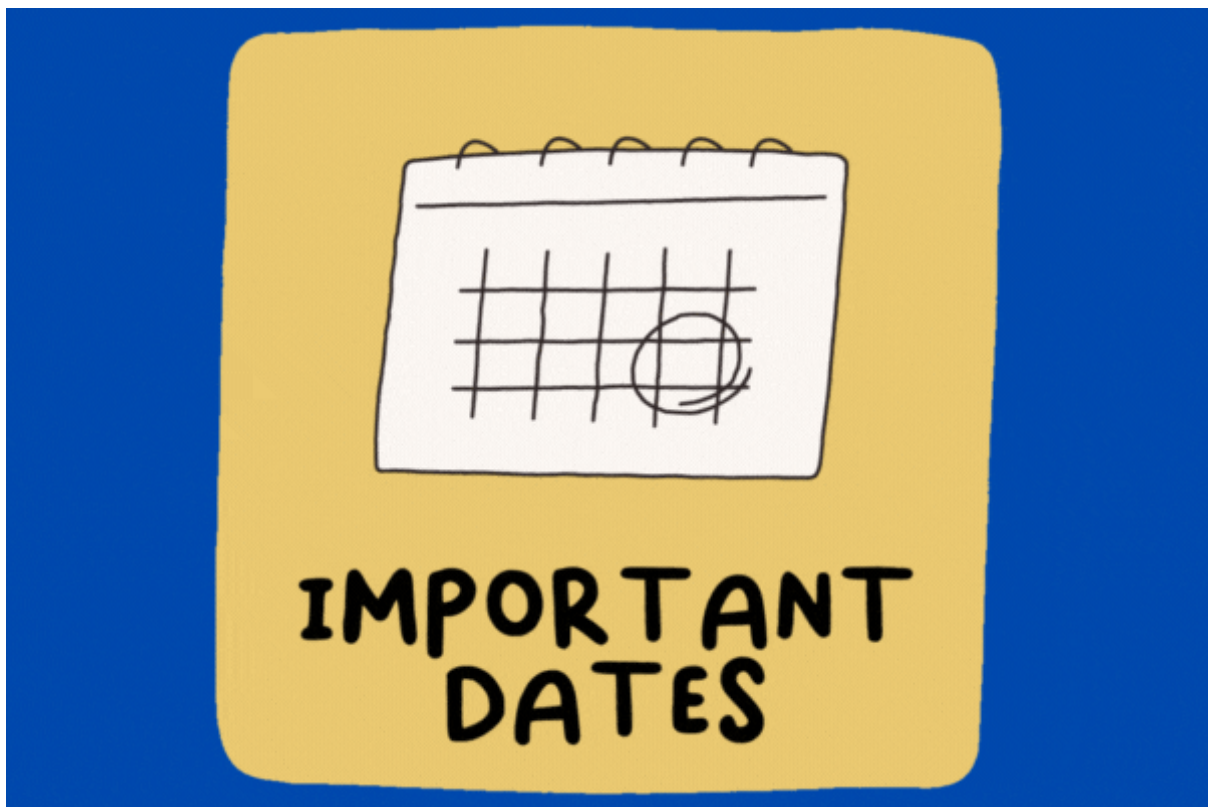
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No Message

by Mike O'Brochta

Let's concentrate on KPAD!



April 17 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting, Andrew Downs, Appalachian Trail Conservancy

April 18 - (7:45 - 8:45 am) Membership Committee Meeting

April 19 - (8 - 9 am) Fun Day Committee Meeting

April 19 - (8:15 - 9:30 am) KPAD Operations Meeting

April 20 - (6:45 - 10:45 am) Blue Ridge Marathon

April 24 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting, Chad Braby, Roanoke Star Cycling

April 26 - (8:15 - 9:30 am) KPAD Operations Meeting

April 27 - Nature Park planting

May 2 - (6:45 - 8:30 am) Kiwanis Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

May 3 - (8 am - 4 pm) KPAD Set-up

May 4 - Kiwanis Pancake Day

May 5 through 8 - (9 am - 6 pm) Star Auction

May 15 - Scholarship Awards

May 18 - Kids' Fishing Day

May 22 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting, Xavier Duckett, Humble Hustle

****Invite a Young Professional Day****

June 1 - Spring FunDay

April 17 - Club Meeting, Andrew Downs, Appalachian Trail Conservancy

Andrew will present on the Appalachian Trail in the region and ongoing or upcoming improvements. Andrew has spent 18 years in AT management with the last 11 as Regional Director of the Appalachian Trail Conservancy in Virginia, he also serves on the Recreation Facilities Authority, partnering to manage Explore Park and is the founding president of the Virginia Trails Alliance.



April 24 - Club Meeting, Chad Braby, Roanoke Star Cycling

Chad Braby of Roanoke Star Cycling will share an overview of youth mountain bike programs including growth plans. He'll highlight the Rising Stars program that provides bikes, training, transportation, and lead rides for area youth who don't have access to bikes and trails.

Chad is an endurance coach and specializes in coaching and training for running and cycling. He coaches with the Patrick Henry High School cross country team, the Roanoke Star Cycling XC race team, and Wolfpack

Endurance, a coaching Co-op dedicated to growing endurance sports in the Roanoke Valley. He is also a Civil Engineer and worked for 25 years in various roles in the heavy industrial construction industry.



Highlights from our last meeting



Kevin Matheson, accompanied by Judy Clark, delights the club by playing the first movement of Mendelssohn's violin concerto



Kiwanian Fred Jeter receives his permanent member badge



State Senator Chris Head reports to the club about this year's senate activities



Delegate Sam Rasoul makes a point in his legislative talk



State legislator speakers receive honorariums from President Mike





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Happenings

Junior League event

Help is needed on April 16th to volunteer to oversee our exhibit table at a Junior League event. Outreach opportunity!!! 6 pm. Email Cheri at kiwanis.cheri.hartman@gmail.com if available. Male or female are welcomed!

Latest News from the Pancake Republic

Week 5:

Thanks to our strongest week of the year so far in sales -- right at \$5,000 (\$4,997) -- we have now crossed the \$20,000 YTD mark in ticket sales.

We need \$5,000 sales weeks from here on out (this year) to equal ticket sales by members from KPAD 2023.

Twenty-five Kiwanians turned in money last week. Let's see if we can get more members turning in money.

The top individual overall seller remains Rupert Cutler at a whopping \$2,900, almost 15 percent of the club's total. The C3POs, captained by Joe Lemmer, retains the team lead with \$5,911.

C-3PO, The Droids (Joe Lemmer) \$5,911

Death Star Destroyers (Lois James) \$3,321

Luke 4 (Joe Gaither) \$3,240

Rogue Squadron (Kevin Reeder) \$3,030

Ewoks (Milton Hardy) \$2,424

Galactic Guardians (Nancy Horn) \$2,105

Top Individuals:

Rupe Cutler \$2,900

Lois James \$1,150

Mike Loveman \$1,100

Joe Gaither \$569

Bert Boyd \$500

Joe Lemmer \$500

Bart Wilner \$500

We are providing some great rewards and incentives for those who turn in sales money -

- * Anyone who turns in \$350 automatically receives one of our new Roanoke Star ornaments
- * We are entering individuals into a prize drawing - everyone who sends in \$350 is entered to win a vintage ruby & moonstone bracelet!
- * The individual who sells the most tickets will win a fabulous prize - we know what it is, but you don't - let's just say it's one of a kind
- * The sales captain for the winning team will win a Date Night! Dinner at Billy's and tickets to Cabaret at Mill Mountain Theatre

KPAD Raffle

No auction this year, but a raffle for 30ish great items that KPAD attendees can buy a chance at! Please let your teams know that items should be valued at \$25 or higher, new or like new, drop items at Roanoke Valley Speech & Hearing, and be sure to let your team captain know you have donated - for every raffle item received, the team will be given 25 points! Items can be dropped off at Roanoke Valley Speech and Hearing Center Monday - Thursday from 8:00 am - 5:30 pm or on Fridays from 8:00 - 12. These can be gift certificates, collectible sets, jewelry, etc. Contact me if they want to discuss beforehand: 303-386-6551 or leeannlinkenhoker@gmail.com

Kiwanis Club of Roanoke Book Club

Shifting gears! Book recommended last meeting for the book club is very hard to find - Dave and I did get it via audio format and found it

very challenging to finish. So -- we return back to our original vision for the Book Club -- READ WHAT YOU LIKE! join us on May 15th to share with us why you appreciated the book, what impressed you about the author's writing, and key highlights of the book.

Hope to see you on May 15th at 6 pm at the South County Public Library!

Save the Date - Spring FunDay at our Kiwanis Centennial Playground IS June 1ST!

Another date for our calendars - June 1st at the Kiwanis Centennial Playground, we will gather with Shiloh Baptist Church who cooks us hot dogs (the best you ever tasted!) and hamburgers. The Building Bridges collaborative of various churches serves us ice cream! There are activities for the children, usually live music, gardening day activities, the fire department and police department,, talent on display by the youth (cheerleaders, for ex.). It is a grand day to celebrate commUNITY.

David Points & Bill Bestpitch Recognition

Congratulations to Kiwanian David Points, corporate honoree at the upcoming NAACP banquet scheduled for May 10. Kiwanian Bill Bestpitch will be honored at the same event with an award for lifetime social justice.

Meeting Recordings

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

Blue Ridge Marathon



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Kiwanians – It's Marathon Time Again!

April 20, 2024

This year the Club will be running an Aid Station in support of the race. Specifically, we will be staffing BRP Roanoke Mountain Middle at the Near Roanoke Mountain Overlook, Roanoke Mountain Rd, Roanoke, VA 24014 (click the link to see the location on Google Maps <https://goo.gl/maps/gajAaWG8zaa1wbZF8>) handing out drinks and enthusiastically encouraging the runners. The shift starts at 6:45 and ends around 10:45 AM. You can drive up to the Aid Station by taking the Roanoke Mountain Parkway (on the right off the Blue Ridge Parkway just north of the intersection with Mill Mountain Parkway).

Note: Volunteers must be in place BEFORE the Blue Ridge Parkway closes at 7:00 AM!

If 6:45 AM is too early for you, we also need at least three (3) Kiwanians to be course marshals and there are volunteer opportunities on other days including Friday night (April 19th) at the welcome concert. Fifteen (15) volunteers are needed overall. Use the QR code below or click this link to <https://runsignup.com/Race/Volunteer/VA/Roanoke/BlueRidge#43929>. After it loads, scroll down to BRP Roanoke Mountain Middle hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke. Check the box and click the Volunteer button. This will take you to the registration page. The Task Password is kiwanis. If you would like to sign up for a different task, scroll up to see other opportunities (no Task Password needed for those). When you register, make sure to select that you are with the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke. If you are already a registered user, you can sign in and avoid some



Phone or Email MIKE McEvoy if you have questions!

May 2nd Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

Dear fellow Kiwanians,

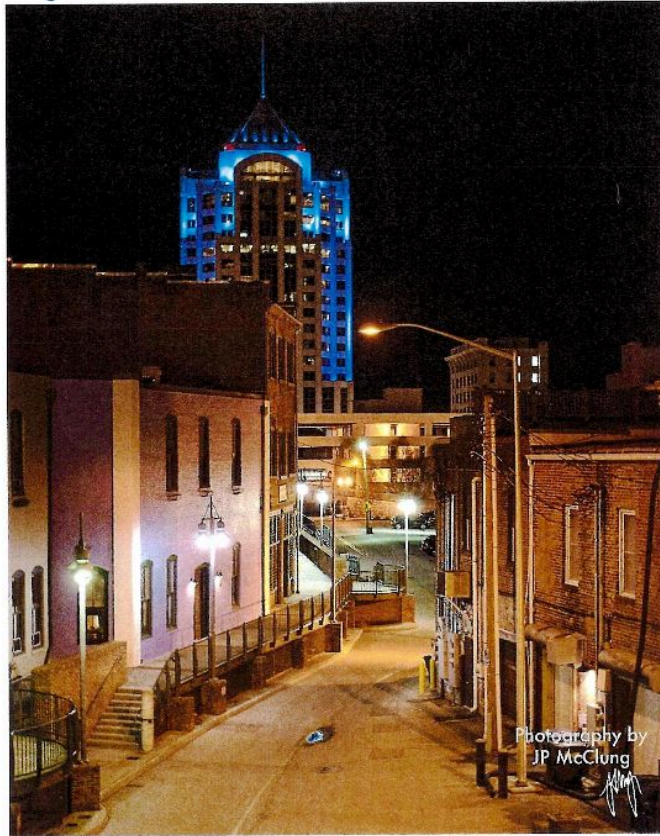
What an inspiring program we have in store for us on May 2nd at our annual Kiwanis Interfaith Prayer Breakfast with Dr. Lee Learman (dean of the Va Tech Carilion School of Medicine, active member of Temple Emanuel), as our keynote speaker. The theme "Light Up the Darkness" will offer illumination to us all as we reflect on these conflict-ridden times and how we can help bring light into our world. Jackie Bledsoe's church has prepared our event flyer that you can share with your family, friends, places of worship. Thank you to Jeanne Bollendorf for creating the jpg version attached here that is easy to post on social media. Please share the flyer as you reach out to invite your friends.

The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke website is handwritten at the bottom of the flyer. At the website interested parties can leave their contact information- which we track. If you need someone to drop by with tickets for you - let Cheri Hartman know! She will work with the ticket sellers to offer hand delivery! Ken Briggs and Bruce Swanson will have tickets for sale at our club meeting this Wednesday, April 17th and on April 24th. We can all get a batch of Prayer Breakfast tickets we plan to sell from Ken or Bruce. Person to person selling of tickets and personal invitations to attend are the most effective form of outreach for this event. Please emphasize that if you buy a ticket and don't plan to come, let us know! We would like to tally an accurate "head count" for our caterer.

Hope to see you there at the Kazim Temple at 628 Campbell Avenue on this National Day of Prayer (May 2nd): 6:45 am buffet line opens (catered by our own Amy Carter, an inclusive breakfast - something for everyone!) Cost is \$8 per ticket - please purchase yours in advance!

Dave Hartman, Chair, Kiwanis Interfaith Prayer Breakfast Committee
A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT SPONSOR = HOWELL'S MOTOR FREIGHT

Light Up the Darkness



Join Kiwanis as we celebrate our annual

Interfaith Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, May 2, 2024

6:45am-8:30am

\$8.00

Kazim Temple 628 Campbell Avenue Roanoke VA (free parking in back)

Join us in learning about the many faiths in the Roanoke Valley. Ministers of different faiths will facilitate discussions at each table. *Our Keynote Speaker for 2024 is Dr. Lee Learman MD. Music provided by Judy Clark. A thank you to our sponsor, Howell's Motor Freight!*



For tickets contact any Kiwanian or roanokekiwanisclub.org

Lloyd Enoch Recognition

Lloyd Enoch promoted RCPS Business and Technical Education for 30 years.

His dedication for student academic excellence and exemplary attendance was recognized. The social gathering area and the courtyard at DAYTEC, formerly William Ruffner middle school, are named in his honor. Barbara Duerk served as President of the Roanoke City Public Schools BTE (now CTE) council from 1990-1992.



Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed!

Marye Brooks, the route coordinator for Meals on Wheels Rt 15 beginning at the Vinton Baptist Church, has indicated a need for additional volunteers to drive the routes. If you are available and interested please reach out to Don Wilson, our Kiwanis MOW contact person and he can hook you up. This is a meaningful service to those who receive the meals, it is additionally a simple well check on some really nice folks who are always happy to connect.

Please consider this opportunity to “Share the K!” See below for the details.

~ Ben Spiker, Immediate Past President

These are the openings for the route you run each month, 13 potential clients for delivery.

First Tuesday
First Thursday
First Friday

Third Tuesday
Third Thursday

Fourth Tuesday
Fourth Wednesday
Third Thursday

Fifth Tuesday

Daisy Art Parade

Our Larry the Roanoke Logperch made his big debut at the Daisy Art Parade on Saturday, April 13th. Thanks to artist, Jane Gabrielle, Larry glimmered atop a golf cart preceded by the Kiwanis Club banner. Daisies accompanied Larry as he was escorted by our newest Kiwanian, Beth O’Brochta, President Mike, Jeanne Bollendorf, Don Witt, Jane’s crew, and Cheri (me). We made quite a splash among the 30 participating organizations. Jane’s genius kept Larry from flying away in the wind! Fun was had as our club contributed to the sense of community strolling through downtown Roanoke!

Cheri W. Hartman





Outreach Awards (initiative and follow through):

- Greg Lionberger
- Cheri Hartman
- Bart Wilner
- Harry Zulauf
- Bill Bestpitch
- Keith Hartman
- Bob Habermann



April 10, 2024 Nominating Committee announcement

Many of you know, and some of our newer members may not know, that our Club's Nominating Committee is composed of our Club's 5 most recent Past Presidents. I want to thank our other immediate Past Presidents for their help with the nominating process this year, which is never easy but always rewarding: Dr. Cheri Hartman, Mike McEvoy, and Ben Spiker. Regrettably, Clark Goodman is no longer a member, but he definitely contributed to our Nominating Committee this year before he left the Club.

Our thanks to outgoing Board Members as of 9/30/24: Stephanie Moon Reynolds and Kevin Reeder, and our thanks also go out to our current Officers:

- John Montgomery: Secretary-Treasurer

- Joyce Montgomery: Vice President
- Jeanne Bollendorf: President-Elect
- Ben Spiker: Immediate Past President
- Mike O'Brochta: President

Nominees to serve on the Board of Directors: FY 2024-2025, beginning 10/1/24

- Preston Tyler and Keith Hartman have been nominated to succeed outgoing Board Members Stephanie Moon Reynolds and Kevin Reeder; these nominees are asked to serve for a full 3-year term.
- Bert Boyd has been nominated to complete a Board Member's term that will be vacated as that Board Member is expected to step into an Officer position, and that Board term runs through September 2025.

Nominees to serve as Club Officers: FY 2024-2025, beginning 10/1/24

Secretary-Treasurer: John Montgomery

Vice President: Dr. David Hartman

President-Elect: Joyce Montgomery

Immediate Past President: Mike O'Brochta

President: Jeanne Bollendorf

This is the slate of candidates the Nominating committee is presenting to you, our membership, and next week we'll ask for any additional nominations from the floor. We will then conduct an official vote among those Club members in attendance two weeks from today on April 24. A big thanks to our current Board Members and Officers, and congratulations to all the NOMINEES!

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

Please consider sharing this email with a friend!

 **Forward**

Kiwanian Birthdays

April 1 – Chloe Willis
April 2 – Andree Brooks
April 6 - Eric Sichau
April 5 – Sam Darby
April 10 – Tim Thompson
April 12 – Bob Habermann
April 12 – Bert Boyd
April 14 – Gary Duerk
April 18 – Jim Randles
April 19 – Eddie Barnes
April 27 – Dwight Steele



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Officers:

Mike O'Brochta, President
Jeanne Bollendorf, President-Elect
Joyce Montgomery, Vice President
John Montgomery, Secretary-
Treasurer
Ben Spiker, Past President

Directors:

Lee Osborne, President, Kiwanis
Foundation of Roanoke
Kevin Reeder, 2024
Stephanie Moon Reynolds, 2024
David Hartman, 2024
Bob Habermann, 2025
Sheila Umberger, 2025
Harry Zulauf, 2025
Bill Bestpitch, 2026
Greg Lionberger, 2026
Alex Barge, 2026



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