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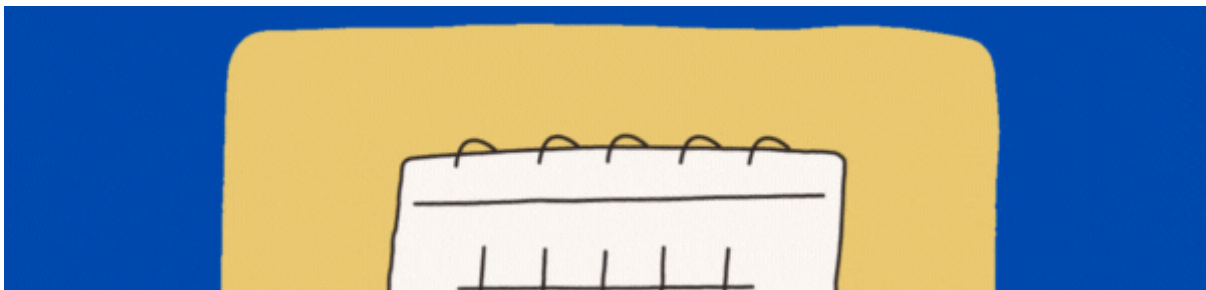
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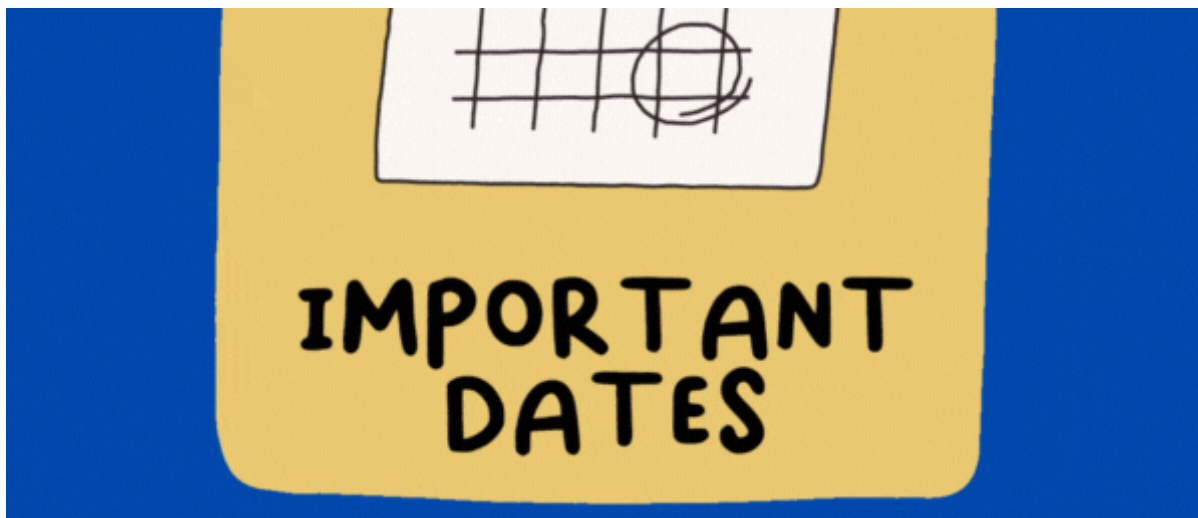
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September 24 - (5:30) Officer Installation

September 29 - (10 am) Grants Committee Meeting

October 1 - (12:30 - 1:30) Club Meeting - Emily Reburn, Hospitality House of the Blue Ridge

October 8 - (12:30 - 1:30) Club Meeting - Gary Arrington, Hunters for the Hungry

October 8 - (6 - 7 pm) Book Club

October 13 - (12:15 - 1:30 pm) Book Club

October 15 - (12:30 - 1:30) Club Meeting - Juanita Prada, BeholdBeGold

October 22 - (12:30 - 1:30) Club Meeting - Wesley Bell, Impact Living Services

October 25 - (7:30 am - noon) West End Center Spooky Sprint

October 29 - (12:30 - 1:30) Club Meeting - Natalie Handy, CareForeward

You can always stay up-to-date by checking out the calendar on our [website here](#).

September 24th - NO MEETING

October 1st - Club Meeting, Emily Reburn - Hospitality House of the Blue Ridge

Join us Wednesday, October 1st, for our weekly meeting at 12:30 PM in Charter Hall on the third floor of the City Market Building to listen to Emily Reburn, Executive Director of the Hospitality House of the Blue Ridge.

HHBR is focused on providing affordable lodging for hospital patients and their families. Emily will talk about the progress the organization has made since its formation in 2019 and about recent efforts toward having their own building on a property near Carilion Roanoke Memorial hospital.

Emily has experience in the technology and healthcare sectors. She has a Masters in Public Administration, Government and Nonprofit Management from James Madison University. She is a Roanoke native.



Highlights From Our Last Meeting

Most photos are taken by our resident photographer extraordinaire, Don Witt.





President Jeanne enjoys J. C. Taylors introspection quips



Phil Shiner delivers an inspiring autobiography



Steve McGraw responds to Dave Hartman's request to bring back an alligator from Florida



Mikki Barranco tells the story of Botetourt Chamber of Commerce



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Happenings

Kiwanis Committees

Don't miss your chance to shape our club's future: Sign up for committees!

Kiwanis is more than a club; it's a community dedicated to making a difference. That is why I am putting out a call to all Kiwanians: now is the

time to sign up for a committee for the upcoming year! While we all enjoy our weekly meetings, the real magic happens in our committees—where ideas are born, projects are planned, and our mission to serve the children of the world becomes a reality. It's a fantastic way to connect with fellow members, share your unique skills and talents, and directly contribute to the impactful work our club does.

Kiwanis Directory

If you have changes to your information or need a new photo for next year's directory- please contact Joyce Montgomery 540.354. 6751 or email jmcrossroads@cox.net Don Witt will be available to take pictures at Wednesday meetings if you want a new picture or don't have one in the directory now we can help you with a picture.

Calendars are Needed

2026 Calendars are needed for residents at the Salem V A. Please save all those free calendars you receive in the mail and bring them to our meeting. Deposit them in the box on the table near check in. Thank you for helping our veterans! Andree

Nature Park

The contractor is ready to place concrete.



Kiwanis Officers' Installation

Join our Officer Installation dinner September 24th in Charter Hall from 5:30-7:50pm. We will thank our outgoing Officers and Directors, install our new Officers and Directors, recognize the efforts of our continuing directors, listen to remarks from our outgoing President, and listen to remarks from our incoming President.

Grants' Committee Meeting

The purpose of the meeting is to award grants for this year. All committee members should let Randy Myers know of plans to attend at rmyers12@aol.com. All Kiwanians representing a nonprofit should make sure to attend or have their organization represented at the meeting. Please contact Randy for more information.

Book Club

Thanks to everyone who joined us on Sept 10th for the monthly Book Club. Thanks again to Mike Bell for hosting our group. We chose to meet next on Oct 8th at 5:30 - Mike Bell has graciously agreed to host us again in October.

Greater Williamson Road Association Event

Photo of Harry Zulauf at the recent GWRABA meeting — Harry was instrumental in ensuring the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke had a strong presence at this event, which brought together more than 140 community leaders and business owners.



Kiwanis Key Leader Program (see attachment) — registration is due by October 31, 2025



SKELTON 4-H EDUCATIONAL CTR

Wirtz, VA

November 14-16, 2025

Information and registration can be found at
[Capital District Key Leader Weekend](#)

WHAT IS KEY LEADER?

Key Leader is designed for today's young leaders. This life-changing event focuses on service leadership as the first, most meaningful leadership-development experience. A Key Leader will learn the most important lesson of leadership—it comes from helping others succeed.

WHO CAN ATTEND KEY LEADER?

Key Leader is designed to open doors to all student leaders and those with leadership potential. The focus is to serve students from 14 to 17 years of age.



FIVE KEYS TO EXCELLENCE

The Key Leader program is built on five essential principles. These principles reflect our mission to inspire young people to achieve their personal best through service leadership:

PERSONAL INTEGRITY: Doing the right thing

PERSONAL GROWTH: Developing in mind, body, and spirit

RESPECT: Showing consideration for self, others, and property

BUILDING COMMUNITY: Developing relationships to achieve positive goals

PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE: Expecting and achieving the best



AGENDA FOR KEY LEADER

Students arrive between 4:00pm-6:00pm on Friday.

***** NO LATE ARRIVALS OR EARLY DEPARTURES *****

You will depart after 11:30 am on Sunday. Lodging, meals and activities are included and located at the camp. Students participate in large and small activities, with a combination of information, discussion, and interactive events.



Student Participant	\$250	District Board Participant	\$200
Student Facilitator	\$150	District Board Student Facilitator	\$100
Adults	\$125	District Committee Chaperone	Free

HOW MUCH IS KEY LEADER?

Discount Codes and Financial Assistance are available. Please contact the District Chair or Site Coordinator for more information.

HOW DO YOU SIGN UP?

[Registration](#) is open. Students and adults attending a Key Leader weekend can complete the form with basic information. **Adults will be required to complete a Background Check in order to stay overnight.**

If there are any questions about registering online, please feel free to reach out to any of the contacts below.



HOW CAN KIWANIS GET INVOLVED?

1) Send a Student to Camp

Help identify a student that has the leadership potentials but needs a small push. You can support them by telling the student or a local educator about the camp, providing a student a ride to the camp or sponsoring a student to attend.

2) Join the Local Committee

Take the time and help the Site Coordinator organize and put on a Key Leader weekend. There are many things that need to get done before the camp.

3) Become a Sponsor or Donate to the Wishlist.

Your help is needed to make the camp a success. Please visit:

<https://secure.givelively.org/donate/capital-district-kiwanis-foundation/cdkf-youth-outreach>

4) GO TO THE CAMP!



FOR MORE INFORMATION

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Health & Safety guidelines will be strictly adhered to.



Meeting Recordings

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

Club Meeting Zoom Info

Here is the [zoom link](#)

Please email any potential Kiwanian happenings by 7 pm on Monday to Alex at abargell@gmail.com.

Please consider sharing this email with a friend!

 **Forward**

Kiwanian Birthdays

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

September 3 Vern Danielsen

September 4 Betsy Bohannon

September 5 Sam Lionberger III

September 7 Jackie Bledsoe

September 8 Jason Poff

September 9 Lee Learman

September 11 Scott Smith

September 11 Calvin Witt

September 13 Neal Kinsey

September 14 Eric Danielsen

September 16 Ken Briggs

September 16 LeeAnn Reich

September 16 Glenn Pierce

September 21 John Ewart

September 23 Mike Loveman

September 24 Dave Spangler



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