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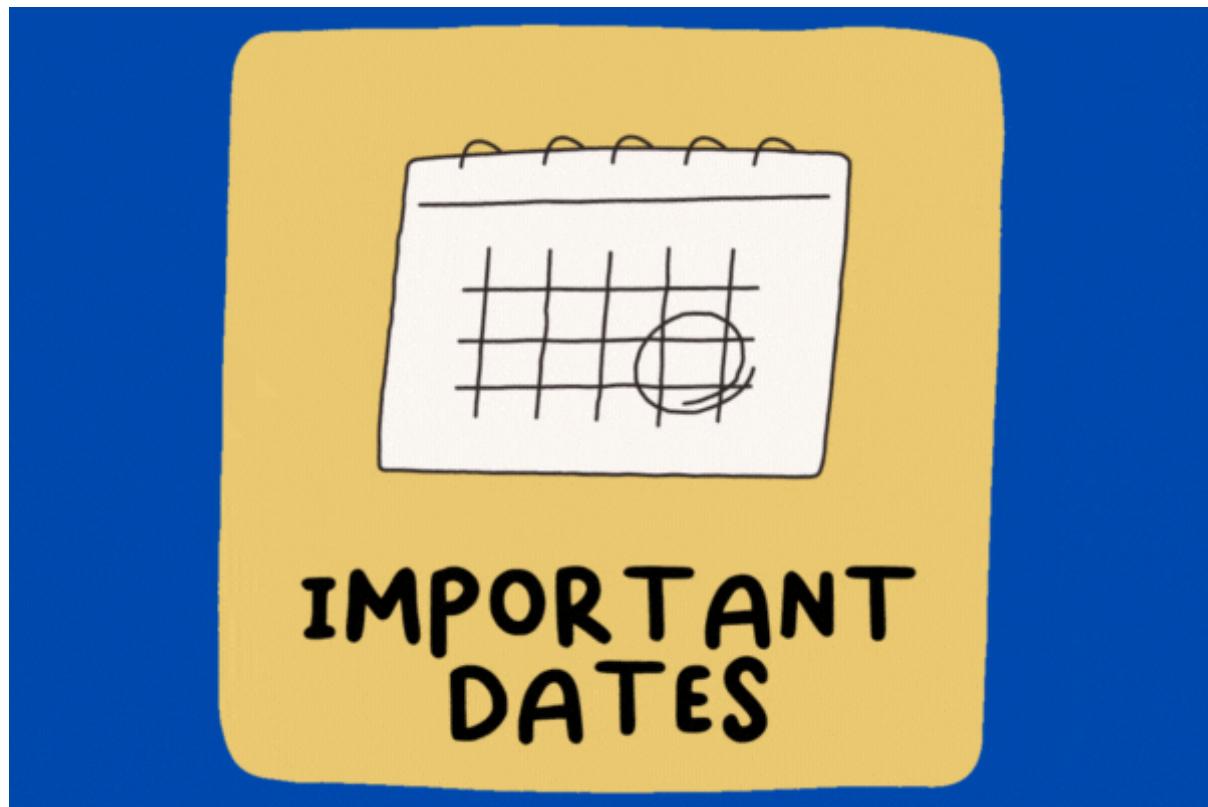
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February 11 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting, Dan Crawford - Sierra Club of Roanoke

February 11 - (5:30 - 6:30 pm) Book Club at Crystal Spring Grocery

February 18 - (12:30 - 1:30 pm) Club Meeting, KPAD Kick Off

February 25 - (6 - 8 pm) Fun Social Dinner at Franks on Brambleton

March 5 - Mill Mountain Theatre Social - 9 to 5 Musical

April 18 - Blue Ridge Marathon

April 25 - KPAD

May 7 - Prayer Breakfast

May 30 - Spring Fun Day

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

February 11th - Club Meeting, Dan Crawford - Sierra Club of Roanoke

Join us Wednesday for our weekly meeting in Charter Hall on the third floor of the City Market Building; networking and lunch begin at 12:00PM. We will listen to Dan Crawford, President of the Roanoke Group of the Sierra Club. The Roanoke Group of the Sierra Club Virginia Chapter represents over 800 members across 10 counties (Bath, Alleghany, Amherst, Bedford, Rockbridge, Botetourt, Roanoke, Franklin, Patrick and Henry).

Though there are many environmental issues, Dan will discuss their primary focus on rapid climate change. He will advocate for the reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases by transitioning to renewable energy, with wind being the biggest producer and solar making encouraging gains.

Dan spent his teens in Roanoke prior to joining the Navy and then living in the Pacific Northwest where he worked on the water, fishing, boat building, rigging, etc. He became active in environmental issues about 18 years ago, and continues this work on behalf of our environment.



Highlights From Our Last Meeting

Most photos are taken by our resident photographer extraordinaire, Don Witt, who also adds the captions.



Diane and Dan Chitwood offer custom valentines for that special one



Betsy Osborne thanks the club for grant to Healing Strides





Cheri Hartman presents grant check
to Courtney Plaster for Clean Valley
Council



Speaker Roanoke College president,
Dr. Frank Shushok, inspires
Kiwanians to take on "service
leadership"



Charles Dotson, Roanoke College's
new CKI president, addresses the
club



Chris Rouse chairs SLP committee
meeting.



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Happenings

Book Club

The next book club will be February 11th with time to socialize from 5:30 - 5:45 followed by a book discussion from 5:45 to 6:45 pm. We have a new meeting location at Crystal Spring Grocery, 2205 Crystal Spring Ave in South Roanoke. Dave and I will push a couple of tables together and we can enjoy the store's goodies! They have a water station there in the front.

See you then! Enjoy reading!

Cheri and Dave

Fun Social Dinner

Sweetheart Dinner, Wednesday, February 25, Frank's at Brambleton, 6:00 to 8:00. Bring your sweetheart, a friend, a potential member, or come alone, you will be with Kiwanians. No sign-up needed, just order from the menu as you like. Contact Andree Brooks with questions.



National Day of Prayer Breakfast, May 7, 2026

The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke will again host this annual breakfast on the first Thursday in May. Our objective is to bring together the various Roanoke Valley faith traditions for a time of fellowship, understanding, and prayer.

Our next planning meeting will be via ZOOM at 9:30AM on Friday morning, February 20th. If you would like to be a part of planning this Prayer Breakfast, please contact Rita Joyce (540-915-1470) or Ken Briggs (540-314-9616).

Meeting Recordings

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

Club Meeting Zoom Info

Here is the [zoom link](#)

Meeting ID: 817 8581 5453 Passcode: 102906

Please email any potential Kiwanian happenings by 7 pm on Monday to Alex at abarge11@gmail.com.

Please consider sharing this email with a friend!



Kiwanian Birthdays

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Chris Rouse - February 4

Barry Akers - February 6

Mike Quinn - February 14

Jim Graves - February 15

Dink Harrington - February 16

Steve Willis - February 16

Kathy Cohen - February 18

Tara Marciniak - February 24

Betsy Head - February 28



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