



KIWANIS CLUB OF WINCHESTER, VA \* Serving the Winchester/Frederick County Community

**MARCH 2023** 

# KCOW Memorabilia Submitted to Archives









Kiwanian Scott Straub took an additional 20 KCOW items to the Handley Library to be placed in the Stewart Bell Jr. Archives Room on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Four of the items are: Carmen Rio'S KCOW hat with pins (and picture of Rio wearing hat), 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Club photo (black & white, 1972), 2005-2006 KCOW Scrapbook, and a KCOW apron belonging to B.J. Lovett signed by multiple KCOW members. See more of the items on page 5. A huge thank you goes to Scott for ensuring that the legacy of the Kiwanis Club of Winchester is preserved.





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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

#### LYNNETTE EMBREE



Dear Fellow Kiwanians,

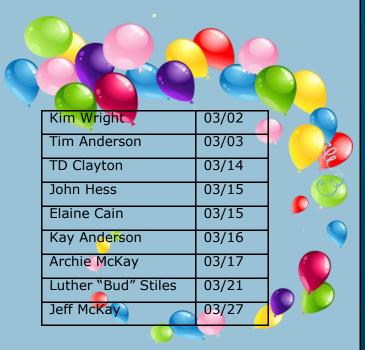
Our Kiwanis year is just about half finished! This is so hard to believe.

The Executive Team has been working very hard behind the scenes looking at our club from a 40,000-foot level. We're looking at best practices and where we need to tighten or loosen up. There have been many interesting conversations. Please know that the decisions the officers and directors of the club are making are being done in the best interest of the club.

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# **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

### **Happy Birthday To Our Members!**



(for birthday errors & omissions, please email editor@kcow.org)

### **CALENDAR**

March 1: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; Business meeting; 12-1pm

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March 8: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge: 12-1pm

March 9: Social at Ellie's Irish Pub; 6pm

March 15: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

March 22: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

March 23: Board Meeting at Winchester Airport Conference Room; 6pm

March 29: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

#### **\*\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*\***

PANCAKE DAY: April 28 set up, April 29 event

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### SOCIAL NEWS

#### Robann Riggleman & Debbie Guiffre

The February social was held on Valentine's Day, when love was in the air at the Water Street Kitchen on the Walking Mall. Five Kiwanians and three guests came together to share a meal to celebrate a day of friendship. Members that attended included: Pat Snapp, Craig Organ, Debbie Guiffre, Robann Riggleman and John Hess. Guests included: Boyd, Buddy, and Peggy.

The next social will be held Thursday, March 9th at Ellie's Irish Pub at 6:00pm to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We hope to see you there.



Submitted by: *Robann Riggleman*, Co-chair

### INTERCLUB NEWS

#### Tim Anderson & Robin Doss

On February 15<sup>th</sup> the Kiwanis Club of Winchester attended a social meeting with the Kiwanis Club of Front Royal. They discussed their plans for a major project of providing vending machines that will dispense children's books.

They met at Vibrissa Beer in Front Royal that is a brewery, restaurant, and taproom. Meeting and talking with members from another club was so much fun, and the food and beverages were excellent.

Members that attended were:

Pat Snapp Craig Organ Dennis Grubbs Mike Didawick Robin Doss

Submitted by: Robin Doss, Co-chair







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### Pancake Day is Coming to Town

It is that time of year and we are looking forward to an AMAZING "THE TRADITION CONTINUES" PANCAKE DAY EVENT on SATURDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>—so run to your calendars now and mark down the date. We will be dine-in and take-out like the good ole' days .... so we will need ALL HANDS ON DECK!



Your PCD Committee has been working aggressively on preliminary tasks. We are now ready to begin our Regular Planning Meetings on TUESDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup>, 7:30AM AT BUZZIN'S.

If you have just been sitting around wondering how to become involved in the Pancake Day Planning Process, we have GREAT NEWS....You are invited to attend our morning meetings and if you like what you see, you are welcome to join our committee. And if you don't like what you see....just tell us you got lost and don't know how you ended up there.

We look forward to working with EVERYONE to assure a successful event that will allow us to serve our community needs.

Yours truly,

(Remind me again how I got this opportunity....Chairperson)

**Debbie Knotts** 











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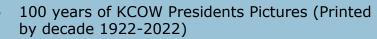












- Framed picture of Oren Frederic Morton (author)
- The Story of Winchester in Virginia by O.F. Morton (1925 original, excellent condition; book donated to KCOW from French & Indian War Foundation for archival purposes)
- 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pancake Day Matchbox Prowler souvenir
- KCOW Apron belonging to Ben Rhodes (Rhodes Bros.) signed by multiple KCOW members
- KCOW Apron belonging to Roy Nester (WINC FM • manager, and Apple Blossom Parade Town Crier)
- Picture of Joseph Maphis (KCOW's 1<sup>st</sup> President), provided by Frank Maphis (grandson of Joseph); and the Winchester Star newspaper of the Kiwanis International 75th Anniversary
- Newspaper clippings about Pancake Day, Kiwanis • asking William Patrick Hitler to speak, and Restoration of Morton's Memorial
- Bell Ringer Award from Salvation Army (2019); • Kiwanians restore Morton Gravestone (1973); Samples of Kourier Newsletter covers; Photo of Myer Hamburger, last surviving charter member of KCOW; KCOW charter meeting headline (1922)
- Two mini-banners (Kiwanis International, 2020-21) "Serving the Children of the World"















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### **Easter Basket Collection**

The Young Children Priority One Committee is holding a drive to fill Easter baskets for children at Fremont Street Nursery (30 baskets), Winchester Day Preschool (46 baskets), and Evans Home (4 baskets).

The plan is to have Kiwanis, Key Clubs, CKI, and Builders Club to collect items for the month of March. If each member could bring at least one item to help fill the baskets. YCPO will put in a request to purchase items, if needed.

Once items have been collected, the Kiwanis Club will assemble the basket before or after a lunch meeting. Below is a suggestion of possible items to provide:

Easter baskets	Easter grass	Plastic eggs	Candy
Chocolate bunny	Stuffed animal	Stickers	Bubbles
Small puzzles	Little books	Coloring books	Markers
Crayons	Chalk	Craft items	Fruit snacks

### Jim Coots Honored by the Sons of the Revolution

Kiwanian Jim Coots was presented with the Bronze Good Citizenship Medal and a Certificate of Appreciation for leading Mount Hebron from the Colonel James Wood II Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Jim does a fantastic job helping to maintain the history of our region. Thank you!









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### SPOTLIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS



**<u>Birthplace</u>** - Ryan was born in Bedford, Pennsylvania. His family moved to Salt Lake City, Utah for a couple of years when he was very young and then moved back to Pennsylvania. Ryan then spent the rest of his life living in different locations in Pennsylvania until moving to Winchester a few years ago.

**Family** - Ryan and his wife, Ashley, are newlyweds and do not have any kids yet. They have a two-year old Rhodesian Ridgeback named Cornelius that weighs 130 pounds, so it's like having a couple of kids. He comes from a large family with five sisters and a total of nine nieces and nephews.

Favorite movie - Stepbrothers, because it always makes Ryan laugh, no matter how many times he has seen it.

**Best Advice** - Ryan's favorite teacher in high school passed on something he was taught by a teacher that he had. He stated, "the most important thing in life is to be a good person." This has always stuck with Ryan, and he tries to keep it in mind every day.

Most Interesting Place Visited - Ryan and his wife, Ashley, went to beautiful Ireland for their honeymoon last year and saw so many amazing things. You can see them enjoying the Guinness Storehouse here.

**Career/Favorite Job** - Ryan's favorite job is his current one. He loves getting to speak with business owners about what they do and hearing about their experiences. Even more than that, he loves being a part of their success by being able to provide the funding for new projects.

Why You Joined Kiwanis - Ryan's bank encouraged him to join a service organization. He was excited about the chance to give back to our community, so he did some research on a few organizations in the area and thought that Kiwanis would be the best fit because of the emphasis on helping children in our community.

Kiwanis Club of Winchester is successful because of its many volunteer members who give so freely of their time and effort.

#### **THANK YOU FOR BEING A MEMBER OF KIWANIS CLUB, Ryan!**









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Our next Pancake Day is coming F-A-S-T!! April 29<sup>th</sup> is the next PCD. The PCD committee is asking everyone to BYOB – Bring Your Own Buddy. We heard from the last Pancake Day that approximately 25% of our members did not work that day or the day before helping to set up. If we are to continue our tradition, we need <u>EVERYONE'S</u> help. This is a team effort! These two fundraisers each year are what provides the funds to give to organizations like our own Foundation, athletic organizations in the community, and organizations that help support our children, including our own children's Christmas party! We really do need everyone's support – selling tickets and working on the day before or day of the event.

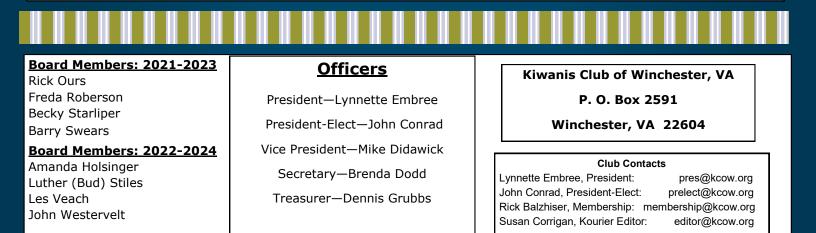
There are so many good things happening in our club. I have heard that other clubs in our division and even in the district are in awe of what we do! Let's continue that. If you have ideas for a service project or fundraiser, please let an officer know. We are always open to ideas and suggestions. If, on the other hand, there's something you aren't happy about, please let us know that, as well, and please bring a possible solution.

Finally, I am very grateful for those members who attended the Division Council Meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup> and voted for me to become the Lt. Governor of Division 8 for 2023-2024. I will do my best to serve all the clubs in our division.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Yours in service,

Lynnette Embree



The Kiwanis Club of Winchester meets for lunch each Wednesday from 12 to 1 pm at the Winchester Moose Lodge, 215 E. Cork St., Winchester, VA 22601. Newsletter submissions may be emailed to editor@kcow.org, no later than the 22nd of each month.

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