



KIWANIS KOURIER



KIWANIS CLUB OF WINCHESTER, VA * Serving the Winchester/Frederick County Community OCTOBER 2021

Installation Banquet September 24, 2021



2021-2022 Officers: Brenda Dodd, Secretary; Dennis Grubbs, Treasurer; Jeff Smelser, President-elect; Tj O'Connor, Past President; and Lynnette Embree, President. Also pictured: Dennis Baugh, Governor of the Kiwanis Capital District. Not pictured: John Conrad, Vice President



2021-2023 Board of Directors

Barry Swears

Freda Roberson

Rick Ours

Randy Zook (not pictured)

Also pictured: Renee Mackey, Mason Dixon Trustee for the Capital District; Mary Anton, Lt. Governor, Division 8

The Kiwanis Club of Winchester celebrated the 2020-2021 year at their annual Installation Banquet at the fabulous George Washington Hotel. The fellowship was excellent, the food was delicious, and the Handley Hill Top singers, under the direction of Gloria Law, provided a superb program. It took many people to ensure a successful night, but wanted to specifically thank Pat Snapp and Debbie Knotts for organizing the banquet and John Westervelt for taking pictures.



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

LYNNETTE EMBREE



October 2021:

Happy New Year!

It's hard to believe that another Kiwanis year has flown by. We got so much accomplished under President Tj O'Connor and we still have lots of work to do!

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OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday To Our Members!



| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Chris Rathel | 10/1 |
| Tom Gromling | 10/4 |
| Barry Swears | 10/5 |
| Ernie Lightfoot | 10/6 |
| Jeff Smelser | 10/13 |
| Norman Black | 10/13 |
| Ann DeLorme | 10/20 |
| Johnny Coontz | 10/22 |
| David Sunter | 10/24 |
| George Johnson | 10/25 |
| Brawner Cates | 10/27 |
| Craig Organ | 10/30 |
| Doug Green | 10/31 |

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

CALENDAR

Oct. 6: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm; Business meeting

Oct. 9: Out of the Darkness walk

Oct. 13: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

Oct. 16: Highway cleanup; 8am; meet at the Winchester Airport parking lot.

Oct. 19: Social at Piccadilly's Public House; 5:30pm

Oct. 20: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

Oct. 22: Firepit Friday at Pat Snapp's house; 6pm

Oct. 27: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

Oct. 28: Board Meeting at Winchester Airport Conference Room; 6pm



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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In mid-September I distributed a member satisfaction survey to the club and got many interesting answers. One of the main reasons that people enjoy our club is for the fellowship and the overwhelming answer to the question of where we can improve was to grow our club by bringing in new members.

In mid-August I attended the membership committee training done by Kiwanis International. It was very informative and one of my biggest take-aways was to invite people to do a Kiwanis activity with us **before** inviting them to a meeting. Most people want to help in some form or fashion. When was the last time you invited someone to help with Pancake Day, road clean-up, a social or other activity that our club currently does? This is how we will grow our membership – which we need to do to keep our Club healthy and viable!

Pancake Day is just a few short weeks away! If you haven't signed up to work or picked up your tickets to sell, please do so as soon as possible. Our last two drive-thru Pancake Days were tremendously successful, and I anticipate that this one will be, too.

We have lots to accomplish this year; however, my biggest goal for this year is VISIBILITY in our community. Pancake Day is a mainstay in our community and people look forward to those events. Does the community know what else we do and who we are? I'm not sure that they do. So, one of my goals for the year is to increase visibility and one of the ways to do that is to participate in some of the fundraisers to which we give money. For example, the Out of the Darkness walk is Saturday, October 9th and we are a sponsor for that event. Let's get a team together to walk.

I know you've heard of the three T's: time, talent and treasures. We're very good at giving our money to individuals and organizations that need money. Let's also become better at giving our time and talent to these and other organizations. Let's walk the walk.

Again, we have much to accomplish and even more to celebrate this year so let's get started!!

Lynnette



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George Johnson (left) and John Hess (right) were awarded the prestigious George F. Hixson Fellowship by Tj O'Connor. This award is given to recognize and honor an individual's generosity, help, and commitment to Kiwanis. Below are the club Hixson winners in attendance.



This year two Kiwanian of the Year awards were presented to Jeff Smelser (left) and Susan Corrigan (right) by Tj O'Connor for outstanding service to the club and community.





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Lunch Meeting on September 29, 2021



The Kiwanis Club of Winchester was proud to donate \$1,000 to Julie Teets and Stephen Bradshaw to be used towards the Katie Teets Bradshaw Comfort House where family members can spend their last moments with a loved one in a homey, comforting environment.



David Lurie, the Treasurer of the Capital District Foundation, presented an award to Al Sibert for being an outstanding Lt. Governor, swore in John Conrad as the new Vice President, and witnessed the "passing of the gavel" from Tj O'Connor to Lynnette Embree.





Historical Items Being Compiled for the 100th Anniversary Celebration.

Scott Straub is diligently working to compile Kiwanis Club of Winchester memorabilia and fun facts. To prevent these historical documents from being lost for all time, Scott has arranged for these Kiwanis items to be archived at the Handley Library.

KCOW History Fun Facts:

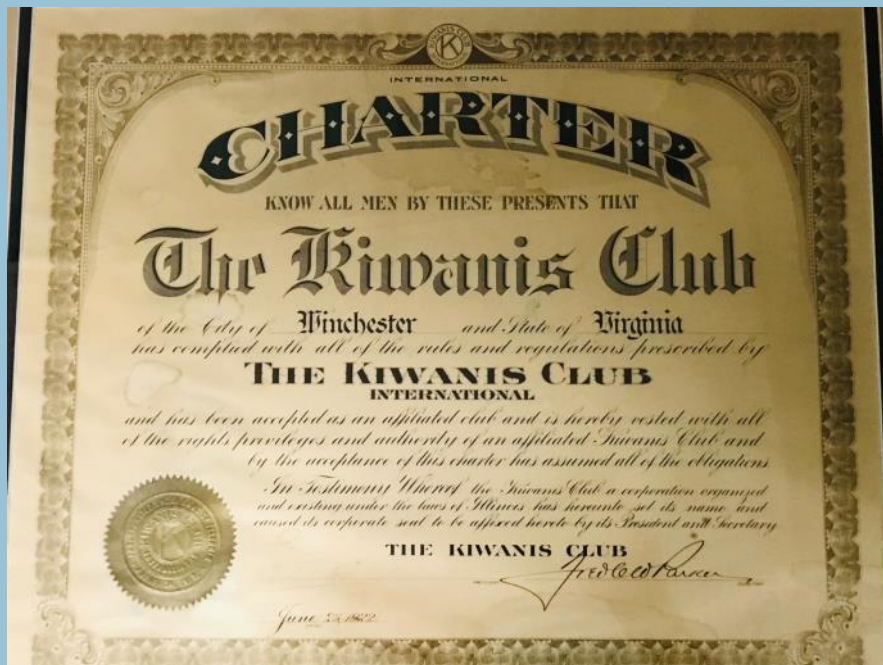
Renee Booker at KI provided a clarification of the dates and terminology that have been seen on letterhead and past programs.

She clarifies the terms "Organization Date" and "Charter Date".

"Organization date" = June 23, 1922, which is the date shown on our charter (the framed piece of paper we will be putting in the archives). Because it's on the charter certificate, we have been referring to it as our charter date, which is logical.

"Charter date" = August 22, 1922, which is the date we celebrated being organized; it was a party date.

So, back in the day: Organization = charter **and** Charter = party





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99 signatures of all Past-Presidents of Kiwanis Club of Winchester



Shadow box of Kiwanis pins and awards belonging to Ed Molden.

This hangs on the wall at the Molden Realty office on Valley Ave.

Fun Fact: Ed Molden's name is not really "Ed"! Do any of you know what his name really is? (Answer on last page of Kourier)

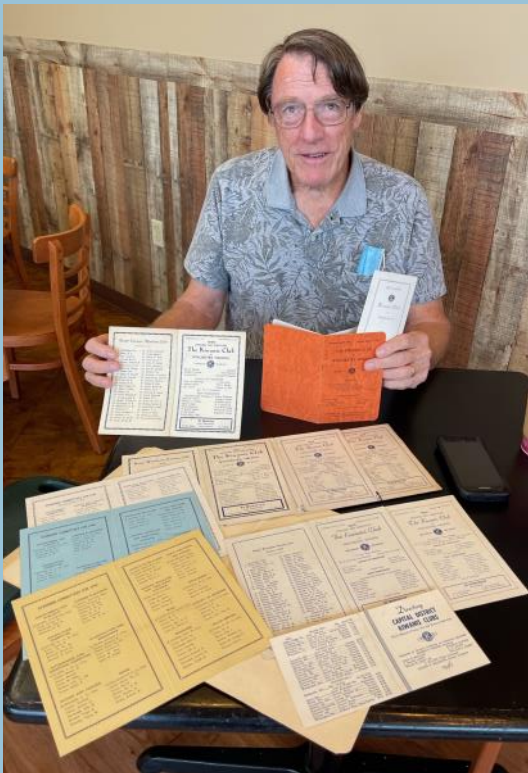


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Scott came into possession of banquet programs from 1939 to 1949 (a couple missing), a 1951 membership roster, and the Capital District directory and bylaws. These items all belonged to Dr A. B. Groves and were found in a folder in his desk after he passed away. Dr. Keith Yoder came into possession of these artifacts and was not sure what to do with them. The story in the Winchester STAR was the impetus in getting them donated to our club. This is Club history "Gold"!

Keith S. Yoder was raised on a farm near Grantsville, MD. He received a BA in Biology from Goshen College and MS and Ph.D. degree in Plant Pathology from Michigan State University. For more than 42 years, from 1976 to 2019, he served as Research and Extension Tree Fruit Pathologist with Virginia Tech University's Alson H. Smith, Jr. Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Winchester, VA. He specialized in management of apple and peach diseases.

In his service to the fruit industry of Virginia, Dr. Yoder followed in the tradition of his predecessors, Dr. Kenneth Hickey (1966-76) and Dr. Ancell "A. B." Groves (1929-66). The names and locations of Virginia Tech's facilities in Winchester changed over this 90 year period, but the basic effort to serve the relevant needs of Virginia's fruit industry remained constant.



| Club | Meeting Place | Day | Hour | P.M. |
|--------------------|------------------------|-----------|------|------|
| Chilton Forge, Va. | Blind Johnson | Monday | 8:00 | |
| Corapeake, Va. | Grady's Annex | Tue & Fri | 8:00 | |
| Hartwood, Va. | St. John's | Tuesday | 8:00 | |
| Lebanon, Va. | Robert E. Lee Hotel | Thursday | 8:30 | |
| Roanoke, Va. | Hotel Marshall Jackson | Monday | 1:00 | |
| Waynesboro, Va. | Hotel Grand Wayne | Tuesday | 8:00 | |

| SECTION NO. 6 | | |
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| Aspen, Md. | Carol Hill Hotel | Tuesday 12:30 |
| Baltimore, Md. | Eastern Hotel | Thursday 12:15 |
| Crofton, Md. | Hillcrest Hotel | Tuesday 8:30 |
| Elkton, Md. | Leg Cabin Lodge | Tuesday 8:00 |
| Halethorpe, Md. | Meadow's Restaurant | Tuesday 8:30 |
| North Beach, Md. | Beaver's Restaurant | Tuesday 8:00 |
| Parkville, Md. | St. John's Lutheran Ch. | Monday 8:30 |
| Shelton, Md. | Acme Fellowship Hall | Tuesday 8:00 |
| Wheaton, Md. | Home Temple | Tuesday 8:30 |
| Yardley, Md. | Cross Street Inn | Wednesday 8:00 |
| Towson, Md. | First Methodist Church | Wednesday 8:30 |
| Wheaton, Md. | Charles Carroll Hotel | Tuesday 8:15 |

| SECTION NO. 7 | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Richmond, Del. | Max Foy's | Tue, Sat & Sun |
| Dover, Del. | Levee & Wilson Sts. | Monday 8:30 |
| Elkton, Md. | Hotel Windsor | Wednesday 8:15 |
| Elkton, Md. | Howard Hotel | Tuesday 8:30 |
| Crofton, Md. | Grace Methodist Ch. | Tuesday 8:00 |
| Millard, Del. | George Hall | Tuesday 8:15 |
| Edwardsburg, Del. | Tavernier Restaurant | Tuesday 8:30 |
| Salisbury, Md. | Cherry House | Tuesday 8:15 |
| Salisbury, Md. | Swann Hotel | Friday 8:30 |
| Wilmington, Del. | Dairy Room, Hotel DuPont | Wed. 12:30 |

| Directory CAPITAL DISTRICT KIWANIS CLUBS | |
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| WITH MEETING PLACE, DAY AND HOUR OF MEETING | |
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| PREPARED BY DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON INTER-CLUB RELATIONS | |
| CECEL E. BULLARD | ROBERT F. PORTER, CHAIRMAN |
| J. FRANK GOODY | FRANK S. HAYNES |
| WILLES W. GIBBY, JR. | E. P. LITTON |
| C. WALTER CXXE, CORRESPONDENT | WILLIAM K. ROBBY |
| CLAUDE B. BULLMANN, DISTRICT SECRETARY | |
| 1946 | |



Volunteering at Bright Futures Community Safety Fair: 9-11-2021

Kay Anderson, Tim Anderson, Susan Corrigan, Brenda Dodd, Jon Eye, Ginny Grant, and John Westervelt volunteered at the Bright Futures fundraising event by working (and playing) on the inflatable obstacle course, bubble creation activity, and hula hoop station. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to this worthwhile organization.





Packing Food at Bright Futures 9-29-2021

Nine Kiwanians volunteered their time packing approximately 500 bags of food for children to take home on the weekends. Oftentimes schools are the primary source of food for many children in our area. In order to fill the gap between Friday afternoon and Monday morning, Bright Futures buys or obtains donated food for these children. Our region is very fortunate that the school districts in our area recognize this need and support this program. In order to be completely successful, they rely on service organizations, such as Kiwanis, to pack these bags of food.



Future packing dates are: October 26, November 28, and January 25. If interested in volunteering, sign up at the lunch meeting one week prior to each packing date. We are currently limited to nine volunteers in the building. A huge thank you goes to Brenda Dodd for spearheading this cause.





SPOTLIGHT ON OUR MEMBERS



October's Featured Kiwanian: Jerry Kerr

Birthplace: Winchester, VA

Favorite Movie: "Old Yeller" (even though there was a very sad ending)

Best Advice: "Don't put all your eggs in one basket."

Favorite Quote: "Character is who you are when no one else is looking."

Most Interesting Place Ever Visited: Jerry enjoyed visiting Australia and loved the Outback and Great Barrier Reef. He also had a lot of fun visiting Dearborn, Michigan where he and his wife toured the Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village, the Ford Plant, and the Chrysler Museum. Jerry has also had many memorable trips all over the world including Kiwanis International Conventions in Austria, France, Toronto, and Anaheim, CA. Lastly, he remembers a wonderful European River Cruise from Amsterdam to Vienna that he enjoyed a great deal.



Jerry with his collections of model cars, trains, autographs, and Kiwanis memorabilia.



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Most Interesting Thing Ever Done: Jerry's service as President of the Kiwanis Club of Winchester, and as President of the Chamber of Commerce rank highest in the list of most interesting things ever done.

Career: Jerry spent 40 years working as a CPA with Yount, Hyde & Barbour, PC during which time the company experienced significant growth. He had the opportunity to work with a variety of clients including House of Representative members, Senators, professional racecar drivers and many other interesting people.

Accomplishments: In 2003, Jerry was named the Humanitarian of the Year by the Red Cross, and in 2010, the Chamber of Commerce named him the Citizen of the Year.

Some of Jerry's memorabilia, including a 1972 KCOW membership picture.



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 AN OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF KIWANIS CLUB, JERRY !



Donation of Coloring Books to The Laurel Center: 8-26-2021



(Answer from page 9: Ed Molden's real first name is Everitt.)

Board Members: 2020-2022

Ginny Grant
George Johnson
Lennie Wolfe
Kim Wright

Board Members: 2021-2023

Rick Ours
Freda Roberson
Barry Swears
Randy Zook

Officers

President—Lynnette Embree
President-Elect—Jeff Smelser
Vice President—John Conrad
Secretary—Brenda Dodd
Treasurer—Dennis Grubbs
Past President—Tj O'Connor

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The Kiwanis Club of Winchester meets for lunch each Wednesday from 12 to 1 pm at the
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