



# Youth Awards



Top row: Kiwanian Chief Al Sibert presenting the awards; and scholarship winner and Teenager of the Year Bianca Linares from James Wood HS.

Bottom row: Youth Service awards presented to James Wood HS student Hannah Lilly and Handley HS student Julia O'Connor. Scholarship awarded to Millbrook HS student Hannah Stephanites.



The Kiwanis Club of Winchester was proud to present awards to local high school students with Youth Services Awards, Scholarships, and a special award to the Teenager of the Year. These impressive young adults are committed to helping our community become a better place. We look forward to hearing how they will change the world!



# KIWANIS KOURIER



KIWANIS CLUB OF WINCHESTER, VA \* Serving the Winchester/Frederick County Community JULY 2023

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

LYNNETTE EMBREE



Dear Kiwanians,

Welcome to Summer 2023!!

Can you believe that we are in our last quarter of the Kiwanis 2022-2023 fiscal year??!?! It's hard to wrap my brain around the fact that we are about ninety days shy of our Annual Installation and Awards Banquet!

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## JULY BIRTHDAYS

### Happy Birthday To Our Members!



Sally Fish	07/06
Carmen Rio	07/13
Ryan Clouse	07/19
Reid Hoak	07/23
Rick Ours	07/25
Freda Roberson	07/29
Doug Thomas	07/30

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

## CALENDAR

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July 5: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; Business meeting; 12-1pm

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

July 19: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

July 26: Lunch meeting at the Winchester Moose Lodge; 12-1pm

July 27: Board Meeting at Winchester Airport Conference Room; 6pm

### SAVE THE DATES

August 4: Stuff the Bus for Bright Futures; 10am-4pm

August 16: Annual Club Picnic

August 19: Special Love's Camp Fantastic

September 29: Installation and Awards Banquet at the George Washington Hotel

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## Kids Clubs Lunch

On June 9<sup>th</sup>, the Kiwanis Club of Winchester sponsored a delicious lunch of fried chicken, macaroni & cheese, salad and dessert for the children and staff at The Kids Clubs. Kiwanians first served lunch to all present then sat and had lunch with the children.

The lunch was the kickoff for the special literacy initiative we are participating in this summer with the Kids Clubs of Northern Shenandoah Valley and the Handley Regional Library. We will be working together to improve the literacy skills of elementary-aged children.

Thank you to the Kiwanians who are supporting this vital initiative.





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## SOCIAL NEWS

### Robann Rigglesman & Debbie Guiffre

Kiwanians John Conrad, Mike Didawick, Tim Anderson, and Robann Rigglesman enjoyed good food and camaraderie at the June social held at Vibrissa Beer & Kitchen.

The next social is scheduled for July 11<sup>th</sup> at 50/50 TapHouse. We look forward to seeing you there.

*Robann Rigglesman*  
Social CoChair



## INTERCLUB NEWS

### Tim Anderson & Robin Doss

On Thursday 6-22-23 we visited the Kiwanis Club of Blue Ridge in Winchester, VA. An excellent program was presented by Valley Light Foundation. They focus on partnering with those willing to make changes in their life to become self-sufficient. They show them the path to wise, healthy decisions – helping them understand the consequences of a bad decision.

Members attending: Ginny Grant, Dennis Grubbs, Helen Zearth, Roger Zearth, and Robin Doss.

July Interclub to be determined.

*Robin Doss*  
Interclub CoChair

## Stuff the Bus for Bright Futures

The Kiwanis Club of Winchester has been asked to participate in the annual Stuff the Bus event for Bright Futures on Saturday, August 5, 2023 at the three area Walmart stores. Two hour shifts are available for sign-up: 10am-12pm, 12pm-2pm and 2pm-4pm.

A school bus will be parked outside Walmart where Kiwanians will accept donations of school supplies, such as paper, writing utensils, and backpacks, with the goal of filling the bus. These school supplies will help many children start school on the right foot in Winchester and Frederick County.

If you are interested in helping out, contact Brenda Dodd.  
Thank you!





## Special Love's Camp Fantastic

Committee Members: Robin Doss, Jon Eye and Kari Dorsey

Since 1986, the Winchester Kiwanis Club has had the privilege to serve our famous Pancake & Sausage breakfast on the last day of Camp Fantastic. This is a week-long camp sponsored by Special Love, INC for children ages 7-17 who are current cancer patients or within 3 years of treatment. In 2020, the event changed to a virtual setting due to the pandemic.



We are excited that Camp Fantastic is going to happen in person this year and our club was asked to participate!!

### Saturday, August 19, 2023, at the 4-H Camp in Front Royal, VA

If you want to carpool down, we will meet at the Travelodge parking lot and leave promptly at 6:30am.

If you prefer to meet us down there, please plan on being there by 7am.  
Dress is casual – shorts are fine. Please bring your hat and apron.

Before volunteering, please read the requirements below.

To protect the immunocompromised campers, Special Love has the following COVID precautions in place that we must abide by:

1. Keep volunteers to a minimum: 16  
\*Volunteers must be a member of the Winchester Kiwanis Club
2. Each volunteer must be fully vaccinated (either 2 Moderna/2 Pfizer/1 Johnson & Johnson)  
\*Each volunteer will email/text Kari Dorsey a copy of their vaccine card to provide to Special Love  
\*Boosters are encouraged but not required
3. Each volunteer must take a COVID-19 Rapid Test within 24 hours of the event  
\*The volunteer is responsible for getting their own test  
\*Each volunteer will email/text Kari Dorsey a photo of the negative test with the date, time, and name of Kiwanian to provide to Special Love  
\*If the test is positive, you will not be able to participate
4. Wear a mask once the campers are present

Sign-up will be on a first come basis. To volunteer, please text (540-247-6249) or email ([karirae@comcast.net](mailto:karirae@comcast.net)) Kari Dorsey with your name, phone number and email address.

To learn more about Special Love please visit their website at [www.speciallove.org](http://www.speciallove.org).



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Our annual picnic will be held on Wednesday, August 16, in lieu of our meeting that day. Our members eat free, and guests are \$10 each. Please let Mike Didawick know if you plan to attend and if you are bringing any guests.

Work has begun on our annual installation and awards banquet. It is my understanding that Eric Lamb, our District Governor for 2023-2024, will be in attendance. Who knows what other surprises will happen on September 29<sup>th</sup>?

It's time to take a break for the summer, relax and enjoy time with our family and friends. Soon we will be working on the next pancake day and other service projects.

Happy Independence Day!

Sincerely,  
Lynnette



### **Board Members: 2021-2023**

Freda Roberson  
Becky Starliper  
Barry Swears

### **Board Members: 2022-2024**

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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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