



2020-2021 OFFICERS

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Meetings

Regular meetings are normally held every Tuesday at 12:15pm in the Garden Room, Elks Lodge, 289 Willowdale Dr., Frederick, MD 21702.

Currently meetings are being held via ZOOM.

Upcoming ZOOM meetings

Club members will be notified weekly via email by Pres. Sue of upcoming weekly meetings and the planned speaker program, if any. Meetings will be held via ZOOM until further notice. There will be no regular meeting on the 2nd Tuesday. On that day there will only be the monthly board meeting.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Pres. Allen Byrne

Fellow Kiwanians.

This is my last missive as President, as I transferred the gavel to our incoming President, Sue Vona at our Officer Installation Meeting on September 29th. Welcome to the hot-seat, Sue! As a repeat President I am sure Sue will do a great job.



I want to thank those members who helped and advised me during my tenure and made my job so much easier. On starting my term, I knew it would be challenging as we were in the process of amalgamating the two Frederick clubs, but I didn't see what was ahead. The only Coronas I knew of were a Mexican beer and the plasma layer around the sun.

Please support our incoming President Sue, President Elect Richard and Secretary Lori.

I have a few speakers lined up for the incoming board but knowing how hard it is to obtain speakers I suggest that we go back to the system of members volunteering to find speakers for a period of a month or so. This will take a lot of pressure off the President and President Elect.

Coming up we have:

- October 6th. Randy Gray. Partners in Care.
- October 13th. Board Meeting. No speaker but all members are welcome to attend.
- October 20th. Ashley VanCleaf. Law for Parents

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October 27th. TBD. If no speaker available, I suggest an open meeting but this will have to be a board decision.

And lastly, we have had a few resignations recently, primarily for understandable reasons. So we must recruit. I would like to especially encourage you to find some younger and/or minority prospects. We need to get more diverse. I remember that when I attended the KI convention last year, and on seeing the demographics of the attendees, I was thinking - - - Frederick needs to get more diverse.

Thank you all, and when you read this I will be yours truly,

Immediate Past President Allen ☺

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
KIWANIS CLUB OF FREDERICK MD
September 8, 2020**

[All meetings are being held online via ZOOM until further notice.]

MEMBERS PRESENT:

OFFICERS:

Allen Byrne
Sue Vona
Bob Kaufmann

ELECTED BOARD

Art Anderson
Colette Baker
Tracy Bush
Ray Ediger
Carlos Graveran

The meeting was called to order by President Allen Byrne at 12:21. He told members of a proposal to name our Fishing Camp in memory of Bill Lukens.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sue V. found that there were no additions nor Corrections in the minutes as printed in the K-Notes. She asked for a motion of approval. Carlos G so moved; motion was seconded by Ray E. and approved

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of the Treasurer, President Allen said that there was no activity in either account and reminded members to pay their dues ASAP. Sue moved to approve the Treasurer's report as given to Pres. Allen. Carlos seconded and the report was accepted by members.

COMMUNITY FONDATION REPORT

Colette B. reported no new action from the foundation. There have been donations which will be acknowledged by the club in Thank You notes.

OLD BUSINESS

Satisfaction Survey: Colette and Tracy informed the board that they have had 15 responses to date. They will report when they all come in and they will send out a compilation. The two most areas of most interest were helping kids and community service!

Community Foundation Strategic Fund: We had designated \$2000 to go to this fund. Colette and Tracy were involved with the foundation people to vet the two applicants.

City Youth Matrix: This organization fills buckets with school supplies. Since the Frederick County Schools are attending virtually for the immediate future, we will not be donating to them at this time.

I Believe In Me: This group supports an after-school program which assists with school work and has tutoring and after school activities. After some discussion, Art made a motion to send all \$2000 to send the whole \$2000 to "I Believe In Me". The motion was seconded by Carlos and unanimously passed.

Gift Wrap: We had an update on the Gift Wrap, which will not take place this year. There was a motion made to continue to pay for the phone service

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and the credit card square device, by Bob K. and seconded by Art. Motion carried.

Sleep In Heavenly Peace: The day for bed building will be on Sept. 26., and the moving of materials will take place in the week prior to that. Members may sign up on "Sign up Genius".

Camp Jamie: Kaili W. told us about the modified camp plans. Instead of 9 – 14 kids coming to a camp, they have decided to hold a one-day grief camp for families, where by families would attend at pre scheduled times and have activities, a grief counselor, and a take home kit.

NEW BUSINESS

Guest Speaker Guidelines: The guidelines will be mailed out to all club members. Our next speaker will be Elizabeth Chung.

BRAVER ANGLES: Annette explained what this group does which is to find ways to discuss controversial topics without offending others. Board decided we are not ready to discuss all topics in an open forum.

Chords of Courage requested funding. Board discussion determined that we were unable to fund them at this time.

Installation of Club Officers and Induction of a member will take place on September 29th at 6:00 pm. A motion to hold it at the outdoor pavilion at the Elks Club was made by Bob K., seconded by Ray and passed. Dinners may be ordered off the menu

President Allen looked into renting a 5 x 5 x 10 Storage Unit @ \$61/Mo. or one 5x10 x10 for \$77/Mo. Art moved to rent the larger one for six months and see if we are satisfied with it. The motion was seconded by Bob K and passed. (Dick Reba said that he has an empty barn on his property which might be suitable, which we can check out.)

Charter Night at Ellicott City Kiwanis with Installation of Officers to be held 5 October. Lt. Gov. Bill Butts will be sending out more information.

Birthdays!

Sue Vona	28-Sep
Harry Weetenkamp	8-Oct
Phil Pople	23-Oct
John Brunk	3-Nov
Diana Nugent	4-Nov
Robert Kaufmann	5-Nov

Zoom is tightening up their security and may start requiring a password or host recognition.

Tracy, Bill Butts and Betty Watson suggest that a senior Database be generated. This would enable persons to check on them and see if they are in need of, food or transportation etc. We could contact food suppliers or assist them in other ways.

Phil Pople is unable to fill his nomination to the Board of Directors. A suggestion was to nominate Dr. Reba in his stead. Bob K. moved to have Dr. Dick Reba replace Bill Lukens for the next three years. The motion was seconded by Tracy and unanimously carried.

President Allen adjourned the Meeting at 1:34 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sue Vona

"Outgoing" secretary ☺

Congratulations to our own Art Riley, now the President of Kiwanis International for 2020-2021! Art hails from the Westminster Club, a fellow club in our Division 7 of the capital District. (See Art's message following page.)





Meeting the Needs

Someone recently told me that he can't wait for New Year's Eve to celebrate the end of 2020. No Kiwanian can deny the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on service and fundraising. The reality is that no matter what the conditions, **kids need Kiwanis**. Needs have not changed!

Children need a nurturing environment and adequate education to succeed. Communities need secure environments so children can grow without fear, and families must have access to medical services. Kiwanis clubs are adapting service to address these needs and the needs of children resulting from the pandemic.

Children are a priority of Kiwanis service. Kiwanians also recognize other needs within our communities. Currently, leadership development is recognized as a critical need in Kiwanis communities. Kiwanis has been involved in leadership development since 1915 and was expanded when Key Club was founded in 1925. Leadership development is also the basis of CKI, Key Leader, Aktion Clubs, Kiwanis K-Kids and Builders Clubs. Needs have not changed!

I am excited about the coming year because I have witnessed the enthusiasm of Kiwanians during the past several months. We have the energy to overcome the effects of the pandemic, to meet the challenges of service and fundraising and to boldly address the future of Kiwanis.

As the winds of world events force community change, basic needs have not changed. Remember this — you can't change the wind, but you can adjust your sails to reach the destination. Membership expansion will transform Kiwanis. That transformation will be seen in more meaningful service to children and communities, a stronger Kiwanis image and development of preeminent leaders.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Art Riley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Art Riley
2020-21 President
Kiwanis International

Club Assists in Making Beds for Kids

SHPBEDS.ORG: We fully believe that a bed is a basic need for the proper physical, emotional, and mental support that a child needs. When it was brought to our attention that the need for beds went far beyond our own neighborhoods, we stepped up and took initiative. We're a national organization answering the call to a national problem. All children deserve a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads. In Idaho and across the U.S., too many boys and girls go without a bed - or even a pillow - to sleep on. These children end up sleeping on couches, blankets, and even floors. This can affect their happiness and health.

Members of the Kiwanis Club of Frederick once again assisted Sleep in Heavenly Peace, Frederick, Cty. in the making of sturdy beds for kids in need.



Members participating: Sue Vona, Lauri Cutting, Richard Cutting and Bob Kaufmann. (Not shown: Allen Byrne and Tracy Bush)



INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS



New Officers of Kiwanis Club of Frederick after the installation ceremony outside at the Elks Club. From the left are: Richard Cutting (President Elect), Lauri Cutting (Secretary), Bob Failor (Treasurer), Sue Vona (President), Bill Butts (Lieutenant Governor), Allen Byrne (Past President). Social Distancing at this activity and Masks were worn except for this photo.



Outgoing Pres. Allen Byrne hands President's gavel to incoming President Sue Vona as Div. 7 LTG Bill Butts looks on.



*Welcome
to our
New Member*

It is always an exciting time when a new member is inducted into Kiwanis. Recently, Ron Williams (right, receiving his K pin from sponsor Dr. Bob Kaufmann) was inducted into our club. Below, Div 7 LTG Bill Butts (left) looks on as Dr. Bob introduces Ron to the club.



Retired & Service Volunteer Program



Hongwei Xu of "RSVP" [Retired & Senior Volunteer Program] spoke about the many programs of the organization at the September 15, 2020 virtual meeting of Kiwanis Club of Frederick. RSVP, located at the Asian American Center of Frederick, provides adults 55+ with volunteer opportunities to pursue their interests and use their abilities to meet the needs of residents in Frederick County, Md. RSVP of Frederick County supports volunteer stations by recruiting and matching older volunteers to meet the particular needs of each agency. The program, headed by Elizabeth Chung, serves a population primarily of Asian, Hispanic and African immigrants who are busy becoming American Citizens and who are eager to learn our language and culture. These activities benefit from over 200 retired seniors who are residents of Frederick and donate their time mentoring, tutoring and intergenerational reading with individuals of all ages. Specific stations are managed by a coordinator who is responsible to make sure that volunteers vetted with background checks, are covered by liability insurance and training in the specific skills needed for each of the services in which they may become engaged. Many of the services benefit children. Some members of Kiwanis Club of Frederick have participated as RSVP volunteers reading to children, therapeutic horseback riding and food distribution events. The RSVP program is monitored by the US Government and tracked according to National Performance Measures and volunteer hours. Present from the top left are: Allen Byrne, Art Anderson, Ron Williams, Sue Vona, Lauri and Richard Cutting, Stacey Krepel, Hongwei, Colette Baker, Annette Breiling, Richard Reba, Ray Ediger, Bob Kaufmann, David Maloney, Bob Failor and Roz Nasher (by Phone). Below is our Speaker Hongwei Xu. The Kiwanis Club of Frederick has been meeting on Tuesdays online via Zoom during the COVID-19 pandemic. They hope to return to meeting face-to-face in the future at the Elks Lodge #684 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, MD 21702. When CDC and Gov. Hogan says it's OK Kiwanis will meet again on Tuesdays at 12:15 PM. For more information about membership, email Roz Nasher at roznasher@verizon.net"

40H Youth Development



At the September 1, 2020 Zoom meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Frederick Donielle R. Axline, who is with the University of Maryland Extension Service and is the Principle Agent Associate for 4-H Youth Development Educators, talked to us about 4-H and the upcoming virtual 4-H / Future Farmers of America online livestock auction which we support. She also spoke of the many ways 4-H contributes to the development of responsible and capable local citizens through the many activities and training programs they provide. Pictured from the left above through lower right are: Kiwanians Allen Byrne (President), Art Anderson, Ron Williams, Sue Vona, Lauri and Richard Cutting, Donielle Axline, Carlos Graveran, Ray Ediger, Elizabeth Chung, Colette Baker, David Maloney, Annette Breiling, Bob Failor, Stacey Krepel, Richard Reba, Robert Kaufmann, Roz Nasher (by phone). Below is our Speaker Donielle Axline, U. MD Extension Service & Principal Agent Associate for 4-H Youth Development Educators. The Kiwanis Club of Frederick has been meeting on Tuesdays online via Zoom during the COVID-19 pandemic. They hope to return to meeting face-to-face in the future at the Elks Lodge #684 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick, MD 21702. When CDC and Gov. Hogan says it's OK Kiwanis will meet again on Tuesdays at 12:15 PM. For more information about membership, email Roz Nasher at roznasher@verizon.net"

'Chords of Change' topic of Kiwanis Club meeting



Screenshot by Art Andersen

On Aug. 4, the guest speaker at the virtual meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Frederick was Caron Dale who is the CEO of "Chords of Courage Cyber Songwriting Studio. STEP UP." This activity helps students ages 14-18 to learn how to use songs, which they write with help of Caron, to effect positive social change. She spoke about her experiences with specific students and also showed a video about a song she wrote in 2019 with 12-year-old Josh Marchand to honor Rep. John Lewis. Present from the left through three rows are: Allen Byrne, Art Anderson, Elizabeth Chung, Ron Williams, Caron Dale, Sue Vona, Bob Kaufmann, Annette Breiling, Lauri Cutting, Richard Cutting, Bill Lukens, Colette Baker, Roz Nasher and Ray Ediger by phone, and David Maloney. The Kiwanis Club of Frederick has been meeting on Tuesdays online via Zoom during the COVID-19 pandemic. They hope to return to meeting face-to-face in the future at the Elks Lodge #684, 289 Willowdale Drive, Frederick. On the first Tuesday of the month the meeting is at 6:30 p.m. and at 12:15 p.m. on all other Tuesdays. For more information about membership, email Roz Nasher at roznasher@verizon.net.



Jan 6, 1972. Herman Hauver (R) is installed as charter president of the Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick.

New Kiwanis Club Installs Officers

Officers of the new Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick were installed Thursday night at a dinner at Ernie's Ballroom. The new club was officially organized Jan. 6 at Ernie's with 45 local business and professional men as members. All meetings will be held periodically at 6:30 p.m. at Ernie's on Thursdays and will last approximately 90 minutes.

First steps in the club's organization were directed by Lauri Riggs, Field Service Representative of Kiwanis International, L.L. Gov. Bob Allen also addressed the formation of the various officers, and the methods of administering the club, and carrying out its community service programs.

Purpose of Kiwanis is "service to youth, community and nation." Its motto is "We Build, We Succeed." Kiwanis clubs don't work for themselves, but for the benefit of the community. Their service work, which is accomplished in many ways, includes: youth and girls' work, support of education in their own schools, neighborhood and community, etc. in order to improve the lives of the community work is done in the evening or on Saturdays.

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NEW GAVEL FOR NEW CLUB—L.L. Gov. of the Kiwanis Club, Allen, left, presents the gavel to Herman A. Hauver, newly-elected president of the recently organized Kiwanis Club of Suburban Frederick. The new club will meet Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at Ernie's Ballroom. Hauver will lead a charter night March 23.—(Photo by Cedric E. Smith)