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# K-Notes

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## Kiwanis Club of Frederick, MD

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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 But... 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 Tuesdays at 12:15PM/ 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.

KIWANIS CLUB OF FREDERICK MD MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING December 8, 2020

#### MEMBERS ATTENDING

OFFICERS: Sue Vona Richard Cutting Bob Failor Lauri Cutting Allen Byrne

#### ELECTED BOARD

Art Anderson Colette Baker Tracy Bush Richard Reba

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:** 4



Upon meeting of a quorum of the Board, the meeting was called to order by President, Sue Vona, at 12:16 pm.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Lauri C. asked if everyone had the opportunity to view the minutes as printed in the Knotes. The Board acknowledged that they had read the minutes with no additions, deletions or corrections brought forth.

President Vona asked for a motion to accept the minutes of November 10, 2020. Art A. so moved; motion was seconded by Allen B. and carried. PRESIDENT (Continued from page 1)

**TREASURER'S REPORT** [emailed to the Board prior to the meeting]

#### Administrative Fund Report for November 2020

Bob F. reviewed the Administrative Fund Report for November with the Board.

The Board the discussed the benefits of having Facebook as a marketing tool and yearly and monthly payments of specific bills.

Dues for our club were paid for 32 regular members.

#### Service Fund Report

Bob F. explained that there was little activity in November. It was noted that Wreaths Across America was a new income for the Club.

Motion by Art A., seconded by Richard R. to accept the Administrative Fund & Service Fund Report for November 2020. Motion carried

#### COMMUNITY FONDATION REPORT

Colette B. shared that she was compiling contact names, addresses and email addresses to prepare for Foundation disbursements .

The Board had discussion: 1. The need for compiling names and addresses for the budget spreadsheet to give the Foundation. It was shared that this compilation is a real help in seeking club speakers.

2. A question about the Foundation charges for administering our accounts. Colette B. will get the information requested for the next meeting. Further discussion is postponed until we have facts for the next meeting. *Motion by Art A., seconded by Richard C. to accept the Community Foundation Report as presented. Motion carried* 

#### OLD BUSINESS

#### Committee Reports

#### Wreaths Across America – Richard C.

Richard C. reported that at last count the Utica cemetery has 103 and Mt. Olivet has 1575 per WAA Website and 4000 per American Legion Report. The wreath laying service will be December 19<sup>th</sup> at noon for everyone. He noted that any donations made after November 30<sup>th</sup> would roll over to next year.

#### Salvation Army – Roz N.

Bell ringing date: Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> @ Giant. Roz N. reported that

all the time slots were filled and thanked everyone.

#### <u>Membership</u>

Roz N. shared that she needed a new member application form for a possible candidate.

Bob K. reported that he is pursuing 2 possible candidates with one person being a past Kiwanis member. He shared that it would be nice to have one of our zoom meetings available for candidates to view. Allen B. will work to make this possible for the candidates and also arrange for meeting links for reference.

Colette B. brought to everyone's attention that the new member application forms could be downloaded from the Kiwanis website.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Face to Face Meetings

President Vona asked for discussion about face to face meetings for the future. She also asked what percent of persons would be needed to have face to face meetings at the Elks Club? Allen B. shared that some groups were drifting back. President Vona stated that we would not have face to face meetings for the rest of the calendar year. Art A. shared that we should base our face to face return on the statistics of the Covid virus being less than 10% and a clear drop in Frederick. Everyone should wear a mask upon returning face to face unless they are eating. Richard C. shared that Dr. Randy Culpepper from Frederick County Public Health will be our guest speaker for the next meeting and would have answers for our questions.

#### Volunteer Ideas

Stacy K. gave us some ideas for volunteer work that would not involve face to face meetings for the future.

1. Giving holiday items to a family shelter.

It was reported that many people, clubs and agencies were involved in giving to shelters this year, and due to time, it probably wouldn't work this year.

2. A mask drive for reusable masks. The Soup Kitchen was a place of interest.

Members acknowledged that these were great ideas. She was asked to speak with group leaders to find out what is needed, maybe masks, maybe something else. President Vona told Stacy K. to email Kiwanians for help if she needed it.

#### MINUTES (Continued from page 2)

<u>Christmas Cash for Kids Donation</u> [to honor the Elks Club] The Board discussed a donation in honor of the Elks Club in appreciation for all they have done to accommodate Kiwanis Club meetings in the past.

Motion by Allen B., seconded by Art A. that a \$200 donation be given by the Kiwanis Club of Frederick (out of the service account) to Christmas Cash for Kids in honor of the Elks Club.

#### Motion carried

Note: Roz N. will notify the Elks Club that we will be giving the donation.

#### Christmas Appeal Letter

Bob K. asked about our annual Christmas letter requesting donations to the Foundation. With the changes to the Foundation funding this year, there is no specific person to send out letters of request for donations. Art A. offered to write and send out letters requesting donations and for them to be sent to the Community Foundation.

#### Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Richard C. reported that the 30 beds that were built in November went quickly. Out of the 40 beds that were made last week, 36 were spoken for. SIHP is planning another bed build mid-January.

Reminder: Please give any volunteer hours to Colette B.

#### ADJOURNMENT

*The Board unanimously adjourned the Board meeting at 1:20 pm.* 

Respectfully Submitted, Lauri Cutting, Secretary 🔊

# A Note from LTG Bill Butts

Happy New Year to each of you and all club members! It's been a tough year, but each of your clubs have persisted. Well-deserved kudos for your creativity and persistence!

#### New Years Resolutions for 2021

Check out the "Back on Track" article in the new Jan/Feb 2021 Kiwanis Magazine for some timely New Years Resolutions for both Kiwanis Clubs and

#### Birthdays!

<b>Richard Cutting</b>	20-Jan	rcut01@yahoo.com
Consie Meyers	25-Jan	consiemeyers@verizon.net
Raymond Ediger	26-Jan	rlediger@juno.com
Peter Brehm	23-Feb	pbrehm@comcast.net

turn these resolutions into reality in 2021.

members. I especially recommend the 10+ suggestions for in the "Club Goals" section (<u>see attach-</u> <u>ment on page 5 of this K-Notes</u>). Give it a read, then share with your BOD to identify best ways to

#### Teenager of the Year (TOY)

Club participation in TOY is optional, but regardless of whether your club has participated in previous years, TOY is a great Kiwanis-sponsored program that recognizes deserving young leaders in our communities. At a minimum, consider having your club's SLP coordinator reach out and share TOY info with at least your local Key Club and Builders Club schools. <u>The application deadline</u> for TOY is **February 1, 2021**. Full details on the program available at:

K03.site.kiwanis.org/teenager-of-the-year/

#### Build Your Leadership Skills with "Amplify"

Kiwanis offers so many ways and opportunities to build leaders, both among our SLP programs, and also through club officer, board and committee chair experience. One of KI President Art Riley's goals is to expand opportunities to build leadership skills. "Amplify", a new KI-developed program addresses that goal and will debut in February . Check out the attachment on Page 4 of this K-Notes. Full details available at: <u>www.kiwanis.org/</u> <u>amplify</u>

Looking forward to the New Year and supporting your club's continued success!

-Bill Butts හ

# LEARNING & LIVING LEADERSHIP OUT LOUD

Build your leadership skills. Improve your career, your community and your Kiwanis club.

Kiwanis Amplify is a program for emerging leaders who want to amplify their ability to lead a team. Participation is encouraged for, but not limited to, young leaders, new members and graduating members of Circle K International.

#### **Participants will:**

- Explore the value of servant leadership.
- Discover their personal strengths so they can lead confidently and successfully.
- Strengthen the ability to lead others in a strategic manner.
- Build and manage a strategic plan that works.
- Learn from experts as well as from peers from across the globe.
- Earn a certification of completion.

## Participants will take a deep dive into eight leadership topics:

- 1. The qualities of a good leader.
- 2. Methods of communication.
- 3. Planning engaging events.
- 4. Promoting diversity, equality and inclusion throughout a team.
- 5. Working with others.
- 6. Sharing a message.
- 7. Planning for the future.
- 8. Staying focused.

The participation fee is US\$200. Individuals may nominate themselves for Kiwanis Amplify — or a club, division or district may sponsor participants. The participation fee is considered an educational expense, so clubs have the option of paying it from their service accounts.

To enroll, learn more or recommend someone for the program, visit **kiwanis.org/amplify**.

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

## Club goa Invite friends

Make it your goal to invite a specific number of guests to your Kiwanis club meetings in 2021. Think you can invite one a month? Go for it. Even one is better than none. Keep track of who you've invited and follow up to see whether they'd like to join you at a service project. Then ask them to join.

ready to go. Send your club's electronic newsletter and video-meeting invitations to all former members, past guest speakers, youth-oriented nonprofit leaders (staff and volunteer), youth ministers, etc. Let them know you haven't forgotten them!

Recognize club members and Reward people leaders for their first-quarter accomplishments — especially those who have brought in at least one new member. Keep track of members who have brought the most guests to club meetings and service projects, sponsored the most new members, logged in the most service hours and donated to the Kiwanis Children's Fund and club or district foundations.



Remember schools Reach out to a local school association for parents, such as the Parent Teacher Association in the U.S., or any group that brings parents together. Start talking about collaboration on service projects for the school, the teachers and, most importantly, the students. Invite association members to join your Kiwanis club.

#### Reach out to other Kiwanis clubs in your division and district to see whether there are opportunities to collaborate on service and to support one another. More hands make for lighter work.

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Communicate soon Since January is the start of a new year, let people know you're

#### **Review** calendars

Look at your community's calendar for 2021. Are there future events during which your Kiwanis club can assist or volunteer? Can the club set up a membership information booth to promote the experience?

#### Contact SLPs

The start of the new year is often the start of a new school semester, so check in with the members and faculty advisors of Service Leadership Program clubs you sponsor. Let them know you want to host members from each SLP for a Kiwanis Celebration of Service Leadership panel discussion during an April meeting.



#### Nudge hibernators

For clubs in colder climates, check in with members you might not have seen at a meeting or service project during "hibernation" season. Let them know fellow

members care — and want to see them again.

#### Follow up

Look at recent prospects who didn't join after inquiring about your club and/or attending a club meeting or service project. If membership wasn't quite right, would your club take them on as satellite members and allow them to do their own service projects? Discuss this topic at an upcoming

#### Go virtual

Look at every meeting, service project and fundraiser. Can you offer a virtual option along with in-person attendance?

#### Get social

Invest some time in updating your club's social media presence (Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, Twitter, etc.) to make sure all information is relevant and timely.

Dec 27, 2020

Dear Kiwanis Club of Frederick,

Thank you! The support of Kiwanis acts as the foundation for a successful Cub Scout program. I've had the role of Cubmaster for about a year and a half now, and have interacted with many other leaders in the Frederick area and greater Cub Scout District and I can tell you that we have one of the



strongest Chartering Organizations in the area. Your importance can't be understated---we have recently witnessed a neighboring pack fold because of the lack of support of the chartered organization.

I know that we were unable to assist the traditional Christmas Gift Wrapping project you do this year, but let us know if there are any opportunities for a bunch of Cub Scouts to help the Kiwanis and the community. The boys are eager to help and are willing to do most anything (especially if the pack provides donuts or pizza!).

I know together we will have continued success and be able to provide a solid foundation for the boys involved in the Cub Scout program. Excelsior!

Regards,

Paul Dethlefsen, Cubmaster



On this and the following two pages are Thank You notes Ray Ediger Received from the 4H Youth who received contributions from the Kiwanis Club of Frederick in conjunction with the Virtual Livestock Auction at the 2020 Great Frederick Fair.

Dear Friends at Frederick Kiwanis Club Dear Frederick Kiwanis Club, Thank you for supporting me and my 44 Thank you for your previous support of 4.4 and FFA. I really appreciate it. Due to the Covid pandemic things are being done differently projects. Although there was no fair this this year. I would like to invite you to the 2000 Frederick County 4-H & FFA Online Livestock year I still enjoyed working with my Sale. Buyer registration is available at steer and pigs. I had a great M go. und.edu /4hffasale. The sale will be held September 23 Q 9am through September 24 at 6pm. I will be selling a market hog at the sale. I really years in 4-H, filled with many unforgett able experiences. appreciate your support of the 4-H and FFA programs. Thank you for your Kind generosity Thank you, ~ Amelia Flook Kiandra Strickhouser Deat Fredelick Kiwanis ciub, Dear. Frederick Kiwanis Club. thank you tot the god-on of the Thank you for sofporting Youth I OVitational Sale, Yout support is greatly appreciated. your gift will help me buy my gotings mx animal. for next year. 100 Sincetely, Kyleign Donnelly Dear kiwanis club, Thank you supporting me in 44. for was very kind of You Τł to an add-on for my +0 Pig. I Will use the money MY YH Rosect next year. for app fectate your generosity. Sincerelys Beckett Cave

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Dear trederick Filwanis Club

Thank you so much for your generous donation to me and my livestock project this year. During these tough times your donation is very much appreciated and will go to farther projects! I hope you and your family are doing well! - Adam Bollinger

Dear mr. Edger lot Frederick " Kiwanis I would like to thank you for adding \$125 to my first year Pig It will help with future projects. your Support is greatly appreciated

thak you Charlie Sucercy

Dear Mr. Edger

Thank you So much for adding 125.00 to my Pig on the Online Sare of the Frederick courty u.n. This will help me with my future projects your suffert is greatly appreciated Thank you

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### 2020 10-27 Richard Cutting Wreaths Across America



At the October 27, 2020 Kiwanis Club of Frederick virtual meeting the speaker was President Elect Richard Cutting. He spoke about Wreaths Across America and discussed plans for our club members to participate in the event. Kiwanis Club of Frederick teams up with Wreaths Across America to help place wreaths on veterans' graves in both Frederick and Thurmont. All around the world, December 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at noon, volunteers will be honoring American Veterans by placing these donated wreaths on their graves. The Worchester Wreath Company in Harrington, Maine annually provides wreaths for over 2.2 million veterans graves worldwide. These are accomplished by your donations that pay for all the wreaths while drivers, trucks and fuel are all donated. Arlington National Cemetery alone will receive 254,000 wreaths. Contributions to Wreaths Across America can be made by going to either of these websites: www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/mdutct for Utica Cemetery on Old Frederick Road, or to <u>www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/mdmocf</u> for Mt Olivet Cemetery in Frederick, you can sponsor a wreath or wreaths to be placed on veterans graves. Wreaths are \$15 each. By identifying the sponsoring agency (i.e. Kiwanis Club of Frederick) a rebate of \$5 for each wreath donated in the selected agencies name. This rebate provides funds to support the local agencies charitable aims for the coming year. On each website you will find Kiwanis Club of Frederick as a sponsor and by using their sponsor tab, the local club gets credit and rebates for future children's projects in our local area. Deadline for ordering for 2020 placements in November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Should you prefer to order by mail, please contact Richard Cutting by email at <u>rcut01@yahoo.com</u> or phone or text at 518-593-9672. Checks must be payable to Wreaths Across America and mailed to POB 249, Columbia Falls, ME. 04623

With Veterans Day fast approaching, this is a tangible way we can honor those who risked their all for us to ensure that our freedoms remain in America.



December 19th at noon across the world, American veterans were honored by volunteers placing wreaths from Wreaths across American on their graves. Shown here, left to right, standing Dr. Bob Kaufman, Lauri Cutting, Richard Cutting and Dr, Ray Ediger, kneeling Sue Vona from Frederick Kiwanis placed wreaths in St Paul's Lutheran Church of Utica cemetery.



Pastor Donnella, Rev. Martz and Richard Cutting



Richard Cutting, Marine veteran and President Elect of Frederick Kiwanis poses with a wreath from Wreaths Across America. Kiwanis recently assisted the cemetery association of St Paul's Lutheran Church of Utica in obtaining and placing wreaths on veterans graves in their cemetery. Despite the low temperatures, a good number of volunteers turned out to honor our local heroes.





Volunteers at St Paul's Lutheran Church of Utica wreath laying, December 19, 2020



On Tuesday December 1, 2020 the Kiwanis Club of Frederick guest speaker for the virtual meeting was Dr. Theresa Alban, superintendent of Frederick County Public Schools. In these trying times of educating our children, she brought us up to date with the issues related to the SARS-CoV-2 Pandemic and how the school system and its students and teachers are managing so far. She discussed the dilemma of students needing face-to-face interactions with teachers but COVID-19 health and safety required distance learning via computers, laptops and other devices. There are underserved areas of Frederick where internet is not accessible; not all students have devices; students with cognitive and other disabilities need more support to be able to keep up with the lessons; and around 150 students in the career/tech program need to attend in person because there is no way to translate what they do into virtual lessons online. These dilemmas have had significant impacts on families and on the emotional health of students who normally receive positive & affirming interactions with other students, faculty and staff. The school system is currently working on the details for a possible move toward a hybrid attendance model in January 2021. Dr. Alban entertained questions from the members. The Kiwanis president asked how we may help as our Kiwanis motto is "Serving the Children of the World. Pictured from the top left are: Kiwanians Allen Byrne, Art Anderson, Ron Williams, Lauri & Richard Cutting, Colette Baker, Stacey Krepel, Dr. Theresa Alban (Speaker), Sue Vona, Tracy Bush, Richard Reba, Bob Failor, Roz Nasher (by Phone), Bob Kaufmann and David Maloney. A Zoom (Speaker Image) of Dr. Alban is below the Gallery Image. 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 on Tuesdays at 12:15 PM when COVID restrictions are lifted. For more information about membership, email Roz Nasher at roznasher@verizon.net\*



On Tuesday, December 15 the Kiwanis Club of Frederick heard from Dr. Randall Culpepper, MD, MPH, Frederick County Deputy Health Officer. The Frederick County Health Department began its response to the Novel Coronavirus on January 28, 2020. As club members have been discussing the local impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Dr. Culpepper's presentation which focused on the COVID-19 cases and analysis the outbreak in Frederick County with comparisons to the nation and the State of Maryland was greatly appreciated. He also discussed the status of therapeutics and vaccines that have been developed in response to the pandemic and also gave an up-to-date estimate of who will receive the vaccines and approximately when they will be available. The Zoom meeting was attended by, from the top left: Allen Byrne, Art Anderson, Sue Vona, Roz Nasher, Richard Cutting, Lauri Cutting, David Maloney, Stacey Krepel, Ron Williams, Colette Baker, Ray Ediger, Bob Failor, Bob Kaufmann and Richard Reba. The Speaker Randall Culpepper is pictured below. 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 on Tuesdays at 12:15 PM when COVID restrictions are lifted. For more information about membership, email Roz Nasher at roznasher@verizon.net"