

the official newsletter of the  
**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 February 9, 2021

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

ELECTED BOARD  
Art Anderson  
Colette Baker  
Ray Ediger  
Carlos Gaveran  
Richard Reba

OTHERS PRESENT: 3

President, Sue Vona, called the meeting to order at 12:17 pm.

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

#### Administrative Fund Report for January 2021

Bob F. reviewed the Administrative Fund Report for January with the Board. He shared that the expenditures of (\$89.35) was made for our storage rental and (\$48.00) was paid for our honorary members Kiwanis magazine subscriptions.

#### Service Fund Report

Bob F. highlighted the Service Fund Report and reported that Wreaths Across American sent a second check in the amount of (\$180) giving the Club a final total of \$270. Bob F. also reported that an expenditure of (\$150) was sent to Project Eliminate. [Project Eliminate is a project in combination with KI and UNICEF to combat neonatal and maternal tetanus]. The expenditure of (\$10.08) was made for Technology Subscription for credit/debit card collection during used during Gift Wrapping.

*Motion by Art A., seconded by Carlos G. to accept the Treasurer's Administrative*

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*Fund & Service Fund Report for January 2021. Motion carried*

**SECRETARY’S REPORT**

Lauri C. asked the Board if they had read and gone over the minutes as printed in the K-notes. With no additions, deletions or corrections brought forth, President Vona asked for a motion to accept the minutes of January 12, 2021.

*Ray E. moved to accept the minutes; seconded by Art A. and carried.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

**New Member Application** – Ashley VanCleaf, Esq., Law for Parents

President Vona shared first and foremost we should discuss our new member application submitted by Ashley VanCleaf, a lawyer, who spoke to the club on October 20, 2020. Ashley has attended Club meetings and has history of being a Key Club person. President Vona shared that Ashley would be invaluable in that she is younger and has history with the Key Club. It was noted that Allen B. would be her sponsor.

*Motion by Lauri C., seconded by Art A. to accept Ashley VanCleaf, Esq. as a member of the Kiwanis Club of Frederick, Maryland effective February 9, 2021. Motion carried*

Note: Allen B. will notify and congratulate Ashley V. on becoming a new member. Her new member induction will take place at a later date.

**Inquiries**

Richard C. ask if we had heard anything more from Dr. Markoe, Deputy Superintendent of Frederick County Public Schools. Richard will resend information to President Vona.

Bob F. inquired about submitting Eric Stevens name as Teenager of the Year. It was mentioned that the deadline was February 1<sup>st</sup>. Eric’s name has not been submitted to date. Lt. Gov. Butts will obtain information and send it to President Vona with the hope we can still submit Eric’s name.

**CLUB ZOOM PURCHASE & TRAINING**

The Board discussed purchasing Zoom for the club. Allen B. has been making the monthly payment for our use of his Zoom during COVID times. President Vona also shared that we will also need a couple of persons trained to run Zoom. Allen B. said that his daughter was working on a

simplified tutorial.

Discussion: Allen B. will have his daughter look in to the purchasing process.

Richard C. updated the Board on the hybrid Zoom meeting of the Legion.

*Motion by Richard C., seconded by Art A. that a Zoom account contract be purchased for our Club. Motion carried*

Note: Allen B. was offered compensation for our use of his Zoom account. He generously refused compensation. The Board thanked Allen B. Lt. Gov. Butts will contact area clubs to find out if they have purchased Zoom accounts.

**SUGGESIONS FOR MORE MEMBERS COMING TO MEET-INGS**

Lt. Gov. Butts suggested a gift card give away incentive. This incentive would support our local businesses.

Colette B. shared that gift cards for Downtown Frederick could be purchased through the Visitors Center.

Carlos G. shared that work has been a conflict with our meetings, especially during these COVID times and work expectations.

Art A. said we might have a Nerd Squad to help persons not familiar with Zoom to sign in. He suggested a few of our younger members to assist. It was shared that their work or school may not work with the timing of our meetings.

Lt. Gov. Butts another way would be to create a satellite club for the convenience of members who have a conflict with our meeting time. The satellite club could decide the best time for this club to meet. This could also be a part of our growth plan. Lt. Gov. Butts will email us the Satellite Club Tool Kit created by KI for our review of guidelines and recommendations.

Allen B. announced that he did open access to Zoom meetings. Persons who need help with accessing Zoom could call for help anytime.

Allen B. noted that he is responsible for a speaker next week. He also shared that it is embarrassing to have a speaker with only a few members in attendance. Do we want to cut back on speakers? Bob F. likes to have speakers. Allen B. will contact his target speaker for next week. He hopes that we will have good attendance.

Lt. Gov. Butts noted that we are one of the clubs using captive photos of your Zoom meetings. It is pleasure to open the Frederick News Post to see a fairly large

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photo of everyone who attends the meetings along with the writeup about the presentation. The Club continuing to meet and have speakers may help with persons looking into joining Kiwanis.

Richard R. reflecting on what Carlos G. shared, conflict for people at work is a significant problem. His suggestion was that we could try either directly or by a survey consider a meeting in the early evening @ 7:00 pm or possibly on Saturday @ 9:00 or 10:00. This might increase member participation.

President Vona will forward information on the gift cards and Satellite Club when she receives it.

Colette B. had a few items to report:

In the February K-Notes it listed the Teenager of the Year submission deadline was Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>.

Community Foundation. There wasn't a lot of activity last month. She shared that our investments are working well for us.

Since December 25<sup>th</sup> we have received donations in the amount of \$925. We may want to place a reminder to members on how easy it is to use the portal for Community Foundation donations.

You may find the information in this edition of our K-Notes.

Colette B. has been in contact with all the Key Club Advisors and she is working to get Club speakers for our meetings.

The Community Foundation paid the Builders Club dues because the Middle School members don't use a checkbook.

Colette B. shared a thank you note from the Walkerstown Key Club and said they were using their monies for support of Hartley House. She noted that the Middletown Key Club has 111 members and the Gov. Thomas Johnson High School has 20 members. Even with COVID, the Clubs are doing community outreach and service projects.

Lt. Gov. Butts sat in on a Division Council meeting and noted that it was an amazing experience. It was nice to see the energy, creativity and commitment that they have for Key Club and for community outreach. It makes me proud to be a Kiwanian and to be sponsoring these groups. I urge you to reach out to your Key Club leaders and invite them for updates on what they are doing.

**Birthdays!**

|                 |        |                       |
|-----------------|--------|-----------------------|
| Diane Reba      | 7-Mar  | dcreba@comcast.net    |
| Arthur Anderson | 12-Mar | artnscience@yahoo.com |
| Stacey Krepel   | 19-Mar | staceyk793@gmail.com  |

Bob noted that he has received 10-12 thank you notes from the clubs we support. It was requested that they be scanned and sent to Dave M. for the K-Notes.

Lt. Gov. Butts shared that during the months of February and March he is asked to visit each Club's Board meeting to observe the meeting and take notes. Along with his observation there were a few questions that he asked:

Does your club have a membership plan? Response: I don't think so. It was stated that we have a goal of 3 new members. Lt. Butts noted that a plan might be something to consider.

Does your club have current policies and are they approved by KI? Response: Yes, we have current policies and the policies have been approved by KI.

Does your club have a Strategic Plan? Lt. Gov. Butts shared that a Strategic Plan is a healthy exercise and beneficial for long term planning. A suggestion of setting up a committee to create a comprehensive plan on what the Club would like to accomplish or look like in five to ten years. Response: Response: Covid does hinder us right now, but it could be something we could be thinking about for the future.

Does your club have a Signature Project as supported by Kiwanis International? Response: Our method of making money and helping the community through supporting many kinds of projects such as Gift Wrap, Camp Jamie, Bed Build, 4H, Middle School Appreciation Award Banquet. Due to our diversity we support many different children's projects. Ray E. noted that our 4H Club support is probably our oldest project.

Is there a Youth Protection Program in place? Response: Not at this time. Josh from Endicot does the education on the Youth Protection Program. Lt. Gov. Butts will send Josh's contact information to us. We will set up a meeting with him.

Does your club have background checks? [through KI good for 2 years]. SLP advisors should be done every 2 years. Response: A check will be done to make sure we fulfill this requirement. Reimbursement for background checks should be done by the Club.

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In general, how do you feel about how the Frederick Club is accomplishing in their efforts during this time of COVID? Response: We are proud of what our Club has done during COVID.

Lt. Gov. Butts noted there are a lot of positive attributes that this club deserves recognition for and he appreciates having us in Division 7. It was shared that we appreciate Lt. Gov. Butts' attendance at our meetings along with his helpful hints.

**Update SHP**

Karl Rathbun said SHP was offered a vacant warehouse for bed building located across from Clustered Spiers Golf

Course. The bed build is scheduled to take place the last weekend of the month. Richard C. also noted that that they hope to have a build once a month.

**ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Ray E., seconded by Art A. that the Board meeting adjourn at 1:20 pm. Motion carried*

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lauri Cutting*

Secretary

**Reminder: Please give any volunteer hours to Colette B. ASAP!**

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## Dave Maloney featured in Dr. Alban's Tweet



FCPS Superintendent Dr. Alban [tweeted](#) recently about the Career & Technology Center's bee-keeping program run by Diane Herndon of the Ag. Dept. Diane makes mention of member Dave Maloney and the mentoring help he provides. [Check it out.](#)

## Build-A-Bed

Club members once again volunteered recently with “[Sleep in Heavenly Peace](#)” to build beds for kids without one. Helping out build 40 more beds and pictured below are Pres. Sue Vona, Dr. Bob Kaufmann, and Richard and Lauri Cutting.



## Welcome new member, Ashley VanCleef!

The Board recently approved the membership of Special Education Attorney, Ashley VanCleef, Esq. Want to learn more about Ashley? [Go here](#) for an October 2020 YouTube interview Ashley had with Eric Jorgenson on his Special Needs Navigator's YouTube Channel.



Ashley was also our program speaker back in October 2020.

There is still time to register for the Capital District Mid-Year Virtual Convention! It's this coming Friday and Saturday, March 5th and 6th. [Go here to register and to view the Agenda.](#)

## 2021 MIDYEAR CONFERENCE



# More nice Thank-You Notes



**Kiwaniis**  
CHILDREN'S FUND

January 14, 2021

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Kiwanis Children's Fund, I would like to thank you personally for your gift of \$192.00. With this donation, your club's members are making a difference in the lives of children around the world.

Picture the smile of a little girl so excited about her first new pair of shoes that she goes to sleep wearing them. Imagine the relief of a teacher who won't have to use her own money to buy school supplies. And think of the Key Club member who knows that Kiwanians are investing in her education.

These are just a few examples of what Kiwanis members are doing worldwide — because of gifts from clubs like yours. When members support the Children's Fund, they support projects and initiatives that Kiwanians have told us they care deeply about.

In fact, gifts serve children through these Kiwanis causes: Service Leadership Programs, club and district service projects, disaster relief, The Eliminate Project and the elimination of Iodine Deficiency Disorders. These are the ways we turn money into something meaningful — for kids near and far.

Again, thank you for all you do to change children's lives. Kids need Kiwanis. Your gift to the Kiwanis Children's Fund helps us reach even more of them, all over the world.

Yours in Kiwanis Service,

Aaron Ketzenberger  
Associate Director of Development  
Kiwaniis Children's Fund

*The Kiwanis Children's Fund is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization and public charity as described in U.S. IRS Code section 170(b)(1)(A).*



# Middletown Middle School

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Brenda Whipp  
Assistant Principal

**Paul Fer**  
**Principal**

Tamara Lamberson  
Assistant Principal

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February 12, 2021

Dear Kiwanis Club of Frederick,

We are very grateful for your generous donation of \$250 to support the Middletown Middle Builders Club. Our Builders Club focuses on service to the community and, through these efforts, our students gain the invaluable experience of knowing how to better those around them and service their needs. The students participating in the many endeavors over the course of the school year, also build their capacity for leadership in the hopes that when they leave us they will go on to positively impact the lives of others for many years to come.

Thank you once again for your wonderful support!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Fer".

Paul Fer, Principal