

# K-Notes

the official newsletter of the  
**Kiwanis Club of Frederick, MD**

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## Meetings

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

## RESTARTING FACE-to-FACE Club Meetings 2/1/2022

Weekly club meetings are now once again being held face-to-face at the Elks Club. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 12:15PM. (Reminder: the Frederick mask mandate is still in effect.)



At the Jan 25, 2022 ZOOM meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Frederick, Ms. Marti Peithman of the Kiwanis Club of Waynesville, North Carolina, spoke about how she organized an Aktion Club associated with her Kiwanis Club to serve the local special needs population. She reported how the Aktion Club elected officers, held meetings and carried out projects and activities. Marti's stepdaughter, Leslie Williamson, is soon to be a member of our club! Leslie said that her mother has been a Kiwanian for about 40 years and that she started the Aktion club in Waynesville, NC about 10 years ago. Marti is also currently the president of the Waynesville Kiwanis club (for the third time!) Submitted by Art Anderson

(See following pages for more about the Waynesville Aktion Club.)

# Kiwanis Aktion Club



*Aktion Clubs, sponsored by Kiwanis, are service clubs open to adults living with disabilities who want to take on leadership roles and make a difference.*

Aktion Club is the only service club for adults with disabilities, with more than 12,000 members worldwide.

## Motto

Where development has no disability.

Aktion Club is a Service Leadership Program that provides adults living with disabilities opportunities to give back to their communities, build leadership and decision-making skills, and develop and use their talents.

\$600 fee to charter the club (includes banner, pins, certificates, handbooks and more). District grants may be available to help with charter fee.  
Annual dues approximately \$15 per member (International and District)

Our Waynesville Kiwanis Aktion Club painted river rocks for several weeks and we sold them at the Farmer's Market on Saturday. We had a fabulous day! The Aktion Club members wanted the proceeds to go to our Kiwanis Playground. Thank you Maple Group home for painting over 150 rocks! We made \$417 and will definitely do it again. "Our Aktion Club members rock"!!



Waynesville Kiwanis  
These are just a few of our Aktion Club Members who helped today at our Coat Drive. Thank you Community Living, Farley and Maple.



Project ideas to put our Aktion Club in action in our community.

- Help serve at soup kitchen
- Help at food bank by stocking food
- Coat and food drives
- Clean up local park/playgrounds
- What ideas do you have.....

Fundraisers to buy Aktion Club gear and make donations to charities in our area.



Aktion Club in action at the Christmas parade.

Congratulations Waynesville Kiwanis Aktion Club members for participating in the beautiful Pre-game ceremony at the Tuscola/Pisgah Football Game honoring First Responders. You did a great job carrying your American Flags.



Soon-to-be new member Leslie Williamson has expressed an interest in contacting the [ARC of Frederick County](#). Also to contact the Westminster Kiwanis club to get more information regarding their Aktion Club and the steps involved in setting one up if there is club interest in her doing so. Leslie also provided this [link to a PowerPoint presentation](#) regarding the Aktion Club of Waynesville. (Pics in on these pages excerpted from that PPT.)

KIWANIS CLUB OF FREDERICK MD  
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
January 11, 2022

**MEMBERS ATTENDING**

**OFFICERS:**

Sue Vona  
Richard Cutting  
Bob Failor  
Lauri Cutting  
Allen Byrne

**ELECTED BOARD**

Colette Baker  
Carlos Graveren  
Richard Reba  
Ron Williams

**OTHERS PRESENT: 2**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President, Sue Vona, called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Lauri reported that the Board did not meet last month as we had Gift Wrap in full swing and that we had no major agenda items for the month.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Bob F. reviewed the Treasurer's Reports for November and December based on our membership of 25 members, additionally budget figures were added for income received from the gift wrapping and Christmas auction.

Administrative Fund Report for November/December 2021

**November in the Administrative Fund Report.**

Cash received for the month were \$280.00 for membership dues, \$23.00 from our 50/50 drawing and \$46.00 from our Happy Jar collection.

The following expenditures for the month were District Dues \$800.00, Kiwanis International Dues \$1,300.00, Kiwanis Subscriptions \$184.00, Member Liability Insurance \$425.00, Guest meals \$33.00, Supplies, Printing & Postage, \$146.00, Storage Rental \$98.00

**December in the Administrative Fund Report**

Cash received for the month was \$6.00 from our 50/50 drawing, \$22.00 from our Happy Jar and \$504 from our Christmas Auction.

The following expenditures for the month were \$25.00 Guest Meals and \$98.00 Storage Cube Rental.

Service Fund Report for November/December 2021

**November Service Fund Report**

Income received for the month was \$29.95 for 2021 Gift Wrapping Fundraiser.

Expenditure for the month \$7,724.56 Gift Wrap Funding for FY '22.

**December Service Fund Report**

Income received for the month was \$17,805 2021 Gift Wrapping Fundraiser.

Expenditures for the month \$200 Toys for Tots, \$20.08 Gift Wrapping Funding for FY'22.

*Motion by Ron W., seconded by Carlos G. to accept the November/December Treasurer Reports as submitted by Bob Failor. Motion carried*

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION UPDATE**

Colette B. reviewed the Foundation Financial Report sharing that in Dec. grant distributions were made to our nonprofit organizations and Key Clubs. Colette also reviewed the Kiwanis Foundation financial status with the Board (July 01m 2021 – January 31, 2022) sharing the following: Total Increases: \$10,014.97, Total Decreases \$36,364.11 and Market Value Adjustment \$9,069.01 and noted that we were doing well. She shared that we were still being billed for Circle K but according to the Financial Report the bill was paid. The billing will be checked out.

Discussion

Bob F. shared that there is a stipend in our budget for our volunteer Club Leaders. He would need leader names in order to disburse the stipends.

Bob F. has received lots of mail. (thank you notes, Newsletter and a Christmas card). They will be reviewed by the President and Secretary.

Bob F. shared and discussed a letter from Capital District Kiwanis asking our Kiwanis to consider contributing a minimum of \$365 this year (a \$1 a day). This gift could feed a hungry child breakfast and lunch for 3 months, teach swimming and valuable safety skills, provide masks and sanitizer to 182 children, provide prenatal care to 121 women and protect them and their future children from maternal and neonatal tetanus.

**After Board Discussion the following Motion was made:**

*Motion by Allen B. and seconded by Richard C. to increase our Children's Fund monies from \$150 (budgeted money) to a total of \$365 (an additional \$215 will be made), effective January 11, 2022. Motion carried*

**Salvation Army Bell Ringing Update** – no report

**Wreaths Across America Update on monies** – Richard C. reported that WAA is processing for October and November that should be coming to us soon. December will follow in the near future. It is anticipated that we should receive approximately \$300.

Allen B. requested a note of appreciation be entered into the minutes for all Richard Cutting’s dedication and work with the Wreaths Across America Program.

**Lois Remembrance**

Due to the contributions Lois Spurrier made as a teacher, community member and Kiwanis member, Kiwanis wanted to contribute to special organizations in her memory. The Board had discussion and out of the discussion came the following motion:

**Motion**

*Motion by Richard R., seconded by Richard C. to donate \$500 to Camp Jamie in support of children who have lost a parent to a malignancy.*

*The Board had discussion. No action taken*

**Amended Motion**

*Motion by Richard R., seconded by Richard C. to amend the previous motion to reflect our Budget Donation of \$1650 to Camp Jamie be retroactively put in memory of Lois Spurrier and that a \$500 donation be given by Kiwanis in memory of Lois Spurrier to Individual Education Professionals, Inc., effective January 11, 2022.*

Colette will contact the Foundation to put our Camp Jamie donation retroactively in memory of Lois Spurrier.

*Motion carried*

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Plans**

Roz shared that she was looking into Monocacy Crossing for Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, as the place for our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. She still has to meet with the Banquet Manager for menu options. It was asked if we could order off the menu. Roz asked the Board if we should ask inter clubs (our division), have a program with paid adds to supplement the cost of the dinner, a souvenir item in remembrance. Roz will bring the 100<sup>th</sup> year history of the Kiwanis. Roz will report on how we could accomplish these ideas.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Roz N., seconded by Bab F. to adjourn the Board of Directors meeting at 12:15 pm.

Motion carried

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Lauri Cutting*  
Kiwanis Secretary

**Birthdays!**

Peter Brehm	2/23	pbrehm@comcast.net
Diane Reba	3/7	dcreba@comcast.net
Arthur Anderson	3/12	artnscience@yahoo.com

**Kiwanis January 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting Highlights**

It was announced that Drexel Ryberg and Leslie Williamson were our “interested in joining guests” today. Jeremy Poling joined us as a full member today!

President Sue asked both Drex and Leslie to give a little background about themselves.

Speaking of prospective new-member Leslie Williamson, member Dave Maloney says that he highly endorses her. “Leslie is a former member of the Suburban Kiwanis club. She also later organized a no-profit club for young people to get them active in the community and to give them something positive, worthwhile and constructive to do in their spare time. This past Holiday season, Leslie worked tirelessly at the giftwrap, often staying extra hours when there was a shortage of volunteers. Leslie is a teacher. She teaches medieval history to 7th graders at New Market Middle School.” said Maloney.

Our discussion today:

**Bob Force**

Our Lt. Governor, Bob Force, fell and broke his ankle. He will be getting a boot and will be attending physical therapy. Lauri will find a card to send on behalf of Kiwanis.

**Bed Build @ Dulles**

Sleep in Heavenly Peace participated in a joint bed build venture near Dulles airport recently. They had about 200 college fraternity members participate. Hagerstown and Frederick brought tools, cut lumber and had shifts of approximate 100 students at a time come out to sand and build beds. They had planned

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to build 50 beds but actually built about 25 beds in its entirety and have the supplies to finish the job now. Sleep in Heavenly Peace now has a barn for the next three years in Adamstown that is being finished with repairs to have a permanent build location.

### **Wreaths Across America**

Wreaths Across America was successful for Kiwanis. We were able to place wreaths on all of the graves of veterans at the Utica Cemetery and helped the American Legion to get closer to their goal for Mount Olivet that needed over 3500 wreaths.

**Community Action Soup Kitchen located at 14 East All Saints Street could use Volunteers:** The Kitchen is in real need of volunteers for Saturday dinner help. 5:15 prep, dinner and 6:30-7:00 clean up. **If you can lend a hand please volunteer.** Dave Maloney did volunteer to help this Saturday. (Epilogue: Dave reports that there were only two others there to help: a young man named Bill and his girlfriend. Dave helped serve and then washed the pots and pans which he says he is very good at.)

**Salvation Army** – no report yet

### **Kiwanis 100 Anniversary Discussion**

Roz will be meeting Friday with a person “in the know” at Monocacy Crossing to discuss our celebration options. Ray has given Pres. Sue and Lauri a copy of our Kiwanis history activities. Roz asked if she could ask Kelly Shults, a previous member, and the Governor to our celebration. It was agreed that it would be nice.

### **Aktion Club**

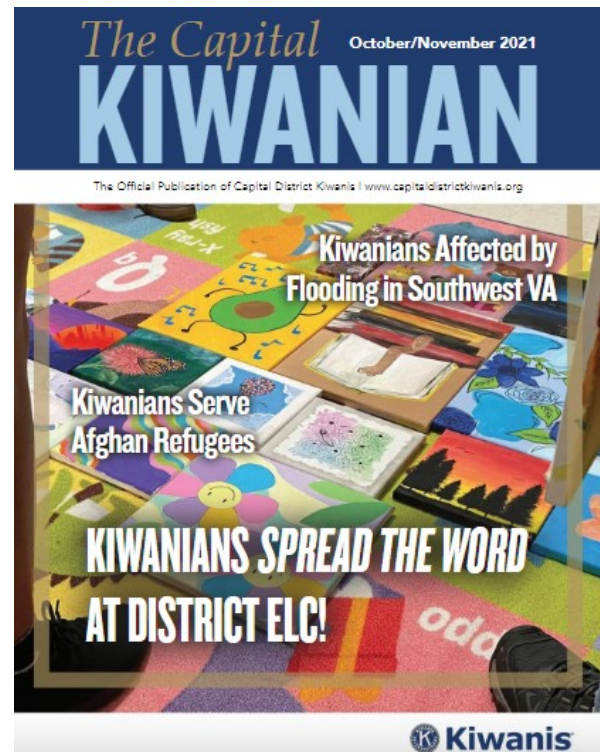
Leslie asked if we would be interested in starting an Aktion club? The club runs under the Kiwanis umbrella to work with those who have disabilities. Leslie was asked to do a presentation on the program. She shared that her step mom is very knowledgeable on the club and would do a great presentation. Leslie will contact her step mom for her availability.

### **Zoom Meetings**

Members discussed zoom meetings and wanted to know when we could meet in person again. Great discussion to place with the possibility of keeping the zoom connection even when we resume in person meetings. The zoom connection would enable more persons who can't get away from work to participate in our meetings.

We will resume our meetings in person at the Elks located at 289 Willowdale Dr., Frederick, MD.

We hope to have a zoom connection in place for our start up in February.



Have you read the latest edition of *The Capital Kiwanian*?

## Member Monthly Volunteer Hours: December 2021

by Colette Baker

Here are volunteer hours for the month of December 2021. Be sure to report your monthly hours on the first of each month for the preceding month. Go here to do so:

<http://davidmaloney.com/machform/view.php?id=29>

Gift Wrap	9 members	171 hours	
Salvation Army Bells	10 members	21 hours	
Wreaths Across America	5 members	15 hours	
Religious Coalition Food Dist.	1 member	13 hours	
Christmas Alive	1 member	10 hours	3 youth
Career Tech Bee Mentoring	1 member	8 hours	
SLP	2 members	4 hours	
Hospice Board Meeting	1 member	2 hours	
Bed Build	1 member	1 hour	

### Pres. Sue reminder: Cap. Dist. Midyear Conference Coming Soon

The [Capital District Kiwanis Midyear Conference](#) is back live in-person March 4-6, 2022 at Great Wolf Lodge in Williamsburg, Virginia!

This meeting includes officer training sessions. We will also be voting on our Mason Dixon Region's Capital District Trustee which will be for a three year term. Each club is allowed two delegates to the election session. There is a club stipend for those attending. It is now time to sign up as delegates and to register for the Mid Winter. Please consider this as part and parcel of being a club officer. Club members who are not slated to be officers are also encouraged to attend.

Join us for the fellowship, great speakers. educational workshops, a service project and more.

This year's Midyear Conference will also serve as Capital District CKI Annual Convention. There will be separate sessions for CKI members as well as some joint sessions for all Kiwanis-family members together.

In addition, we are honored to have 2021-2022 Kiwanis International President Peter Mancuso and First Lady Karen joining us for this conference. President Peter will present one of our Keynote sessions along with a multitude of fantastic speakers lined up by this year's Midyear Conference Committee.



# Bed Build #1

submitted by Richard cutting



Saturday, January 8 saw a national bed build day for Sleep in Heavenly Peace. Locally, the Frederick and Hagarstown chapters provided the tools and expertise for a build with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity members. Build location was near Dullas airport and was supported by about 200 college students. Other than cold, a good day was had, and more than a few eyes were opened to kids needing beds and what could be done for the cause.



Richard Cutting getting lumber cut for imminent arrival of students.



Students arrive and eagerly jump to the tasks, despite the cold.



## Bed Build #2

submitted by Richard cutting

This is the future bed-build site for Sleep in Heavenly Peace progressing toward Spring build. Owner of unused Adamstown cow barn agreed to 3 year commitment! Much work done, much more to do to prepare.



<b>Kiwanis Speakers &amp; Happenings</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Requested by</b>
February 1 <sup>st</sup>			
February 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
February 15 <sup>th</sup>			
February 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Round Table		
March 1 <sup>st</sup>			
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
March 15 <sup>th</sup>			
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Round Table		
March 29 <sup>th</sup> [5 <sup>th</sup> ]	Member Profile		
April 5 <sup>th</sup>			
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
April 19 <sup>th</sup>			
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Round Table		
May 3 <sup>rd</sup>			
May 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
May 17 <sup>th</sup>			
May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Round Table		
May 31 <sup>st</sup> [5]	<b>Member Profile</b>		
June 7 <sup>th</sup>			
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
June 21 <sup>st</sup>			
June 28 <sup>th</sup>	Round Table		
July 5 <sup>th</sup>			
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
July 19 <sup>th</sup>			
July 26 <sup>th</sup>	Round Table		
<i>Aug. Speakers by Roz</i>			
August 2 <sup>nd</sup>			
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
August 16 <sup>th</sup>			
August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Round Table		
August 30 <sup>th</sup> [5 <sup>th</sup> ]	Member Profile		
September 6 <sup>th</sup>			
September 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
September 20 <sup>th</sup>			
September 27 <sup>th</sup>	Round Table		
October 4 <sup>th</sup>			
October 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
October 18 <sup>th</sup>			
October 25 <sup>th</sup>	Round Table		
November 1 <sup>st</sup>			
November 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:30/Regular Meeting to follow @ 12:15</b>		
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