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

Middle School Most-Improved Student Recognition Dinner

Our Kiwanis Club Signature Project is coming up!

The Most-Improved MS Student Recognition Dinner is scheduled for April 25th @ 6:00 p.m. at the Elks. The cost for the chicken dinner will be \$18, collected at the door.



Preparations are underway for a great event. Don't miss it!

We have held this event for over 25 years, some of that time under the auspices of the former Suburban club.

Don't miss out! This is a great tribute to students from 16 of our area schools. Parents, family, school administrators will be there honoring the students.

Please support this event by attending the dinner.



2022 recipients



Club Member Roy Taylor Passes Sway

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Roy Taylor

Mr. Roy Taylor, 83, of Araby, died Thursday, March 16, 2023. He was the loving husband of Barbara Taylor for 58 years.

Born Dec. 20, 1939, in Ma-sontown, W.Va., He was the son of the late Dantes Taylor Shaffer, Earl Shaffer and step father Wayne Shaffer.

Roy graduated from Ma-sontown High School (1957) and lettered in baseball he finished high school a year early. He continued his education at West Virginia University, where he hitch hiked to class daily also graduating a year early (1960). After marrying his sweetheart; Barb, they co owned several race horses, a passion Roy had until his passing. He worked for Army Audit Agency, GAO and retired from the Dept. of Energy (1998). After retirement, Roy and Barb opened, owned and operated the DQ of Riverbend. Also, he owned Absolute Lead Paint Inspections with his daughter; Donna.

Roy was very active in many civic associations, charities, clubs and the Frederick LDS Church. They include Araby/Monocacy/ Urbana Jr. Hawks Baseball and Softball, The Heartbreakers, MD Express Softball, Frederick Kiwanis, UVFD, FCGSL, FCMC, URC, Frederick Midget Football, Carroll Manor Baseball and Softball and Twirletts Majorettes.



of his Araby and DQ family.

He was preceded in death by sons; Michael Leroy Taylor and Adam Lee Taylor, grandmother; Cora Taylor "Granny"; father and mother in-law: John and Violet Winston, siblings; James, Jeanie and Richard, close family; Russell Shaffer, Vivian and Nathan Taylor.

The family will receive friends from 3pm to 7pm, on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at the Keeney and Basford Funeral Home, 106 E. Church Street, Frederick. The funeral service will be held at 10am, on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 199 North Place, Frederick. Please wear your WVU/Redskins or team jersey or hat that Roy coached. Interment will follow at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

In addition to his wife, Roy is survived by his children; Bunny Sue Rose (Eugene), Jennifer Christine East (John), Donna Winifred Taylor, Patricia Ann Bates (Ryan), Andrew Peter Taylor and Cheryl Lynn Taylor-Howell (Oneil), grandchildren; Heather Staley (Billy), Bailey Sartori, Abbigayle Sartori, McKenna Taylor, Miles East, Dylan East, Craig "CJ" Haslam, Donna Bates, Zachary Bates, Brooke Taylor, Calvin Taylor, Mya Howell, Aliyah Howell and Mariah Howell, great granddaughter; Lauren Grace Staley, siblings; Lorraine, Wayne, Eugene, Mary, Cora Lee, Nellie, Judy, Linda, Donnie and George, numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his special friends; Woody and Pat Fisher, Mike Ausherman, Gary Rice, Ron Pearcey, and ALL

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Roy Taylor's name to the Greater Urbana Area Food Bank, 4328 Reels Mill Road, Frederick, MD 21704, Araby Baseball & Softball 4214 Araby Church Road, Frederick, MD 21704, Urbana Volunteer Fire Department, 3602 Urbana Pike, Frederick, MD 21704 and Frederick Kiwanis (Community Foundation of Frederick, 312 E. Church St., Frederick, MD 21701).

Roy's passion was mentoring, advising and coaching youth in sports and life.

Online condolences may be shared at www.keeneybasford.com.

Historian John Ashbury Tells Story of FSK Portrait

Electrical engineer, Townsend Breeden, recently spoke to club members about American shotguns from the golden era of shotguns from 1880 through the beginning of WWII. Mr. Breeden is a recognized shotgun collector, appraiser and expert. He was national director of the Izaak Walton League of America (1984-1985) and is a Life Member of the National Rifle Association. He was ably assisted by his son, Dean, who gave members an opportunity to closely inspect the details of several finely-crafted guns that he and his father had brought.



(L to R) Dr. Bob Kaufmann, Dean Breeden, Townsend Breeden

Dean Breeden explains some a gun's intricacies to club member Art Andersen



Historian John Ashbury Tells Story of FSK Portrait

At a recent club meeting, former club and renowned local historian John Ashbury shared the story of the portrait of Francis Scott Key which the Kiwanis Club of Frederick had commissioned William Grinage to paint in 1925. The below article is by Christina Martinkosky, The News-Post May 19, 2019.

The two-story brick structure at 22 W. All Saints St. blends in seamlessly with its neighborhood. Nothing about its form or style would suggest that it holds a unique place in history, but it does.

Historic fire insurance maps from the Sanborn Map Company show that by 1922, this building was being used as a home and photography studio. Other documents, including deeds and census records confirm that William and Esther Grinage were the property owners. At that time, the Grinage home and studio was in the heart of the West All Saints Street neighborhood, which served as the hub of commercial and social activity for the black residents of Frederick.



William Grinage is credited as the first known professional African American artist in Frederick. What Grinage lacked in formal training as an artist, he easily made up for with natural talent and practice. His photography and art studio was at the rear of the house, and it is there that he created his works of art, which are still appreciated today.

William Grinage's reputation as a talented artist may have begun after several successful showings at the Frederick County Fair. In 1924 Grinage won first place for an oil painting he submitted and took home \$1.50 in prize money. Some of his best-known works were influenced by his strong Christian faith and include portraits of an angel and one of Christ. It is believed that his daughter served as a model for the face of the angel while a neighbor posed as the body.

Grinage is best known for his portrait of Francis Scott Key. Sadly, William Grinage died shortly after finishing the Key portrait and never got to appreciate the many accolades it received. The humble portrait painter died unexpectedly in February 1925. He was about 58 years old, and his death was significant enough to be announced on the front page of Frederick's local periodical, The News.

His final portrait painting was created for the Frederick Kiwanis Club, which given to the Francis Scott Key Hotel, where it was displayed for many years. At the presentation ceremony of the artwork in April 1925, his good friend H. Dorsey Etchison provided a speech to address the character and talents of Grinage.

Although no transcript is known to have survived, a letter to the editor published in The News on Feb. 28, 1925, may provide some insights. Etchison, a local lawyer, grew to appreciate the character and talents of Grinage and noted that “he displayed to me so many of the qualities of splendid character and manhood that I deem it appropriate and fitting to give public expression of his worth.

“There is many a man bigger than his environment, and yet, paradoxical as it may seem, that same environment hides him. ... I never doubted for a moment but he would in the end realize his ambition to be recognized and known as a real interpreting painter.”

William’s widow, Esther Grinage, continued to live in the home and made significant contributions to her community during her life. She was one of the first African American teachers in Frederick and was considered a fine educator. In 1937 the Esther Grinage Kindergarten School opened in the old Pythian Castle in the 100 block of West All Saints Street in her honor. However, with increasing enrollment, the school moved to the recreation room in the Lincoln Apartment building on South Bentz Street.



John Ashbury (L) and club member Ray Ediger flank a print of William Grinage’s 1925 painting of Francis Scott Key.

The school served the local black community by providing education and care for 4- and 5-year-olds. Although Esther died in March 1947, her legacy in education continued. Today, the home of William and Esther Grinage is in the Frederick National Register District and the locally designated Frederick Town Historic District. The Grinage House helps illustrate the vibrant African American neighborhood of West All Saints Street.

Club Member Kaili van Waveren (Hospice Bereavement Care Supervisor for Frederick Health) featured in recent FNP article.

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Staff photo by Bill Green

Kaili Van Waveren, Quan Nguyen, Katie Zerr, Dave Selby and Jeff Zerr take part in the Death Cafe discussion Sunday afternoon.

Discussions seek to make talk about death a fact of life

By RYAN MARSHALL
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With sunny and warm, springlike weather, Sunday might have seemed like a strange time to get together and talk about death.

But for Allison Zerr and Kaili Van Waveren, there's no bad - or unimportant - time to talk about death.

Not a macabre or ghoulish discussion, but a practical, direct conversation about the various elements of a phase that comes in everyone's life.

"It's a mystery, and we don't know what's going to happen when we die," said Zerr, who helped organize a "Death Cafe" discussion Sunday afternoon in Frederick to help broach the topic of death in all its different aspects.

It's hard for people to admit that they're mortal, and they have great uncertainty about how death will happen and what it's going to look like, she said.

In a small room, Van Waveren led seven people seated in a loose circle in a wide-ranging discussion that ranged from religious and existential thoughts on the meaning of death to a very practical concern: how much does a burial plot cost, and do you have to pay property taxes on it?

(Not in Maryland, as long as the property is used exclusively to bury the dead, according to the state's tax code.)

We can embrace death more fully when it's part of our conscious discussions, Van Waveren said. And we can better support those who are dying or grieving a death when we're more comfortable with it.

She asked if anyone remembered when they first discovered the concept of death, or understood that at some point they would die.

Growing up on a farm, death was a common thing and there was no "a-ha" moment, said Katie Zerr, Allison's daughter.

But she remembered the death of a pet

rabbit when she was young, holding him in her hands and wanting him to come back.

With fewer people living on farms, death isn't as much of an everyday thing as it was for previous generations, said Dave Selby, a hospice volunteer.

With about 20 people between two groups, Allison Zerr said she was encouraged by Sunday's turnout.

They had a wide age range, and a wide range of experience in dealing with death, she said.

She's trying to set up a core group of facilitators who can make the discussions a monthly occurrence.

It's part of an effort to normalize the discussion of an uncomfortable topic.

"It's something that happens," said Jill Martin, who participated in Sunday's discussion. "Death is something that happens."

Follow Ryan Marshall on Twitter:
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Our Hood College CKI Wins Awards!



The Hood College CKI Executive Board consisting of Pres. Julie Karlsson, VP Amanda Sebolt, Secretary Andrea Kassa, and Editor Violeta Flores, attended the recently held Capital District Convention in Arlington, VA at which the CKI club won six awards! They are pictured below and include 1st place for the Club Achievement Award, 1st place for the Club Scrapbook Award, 2nd place for the Club Website Award, and an honorable

mention for the Continuing Service Award. In addition, Julie and Amanda received the Distinguished President and Distinguished Vice President Awards, respectively. We are so proud of CKI club members as well as Peter Brehm, their club school advisor. (Top image of the Convention courtesy of Dist 8 LTG SethThatcher who visited our club on Feb. 14 and who was featured in the March 2023 issue of K-Notes.

New Club SLP Advisor

Colette Baker has been named the SLP Advisor for our club. She is in the process of attending Key Club student meetings to introduce herself, share information with the students about our club's activities and projects as well as learn what projects the Key Clubs are doing. She has attended Key Club meetings so far at Urbana, Walkersville and Gov. Thomas Johnson High schools. The Walkersville Club is running a used clothing drive this month, they are seeking spring and summer clothes of all sizes. If you have used spring or summer clothes you don't need anymore, please bring them to an upcoming Kiwanis Club meeting and Colette will collect them and make sure they are delivered to the Walkersville Key Club.

A big Thank You to **Colette Baker** for volunteering to assume the duties of Club Service Leadership Program (SLP) Advisor. As such she will be liaising with the SLPs that our club currently sponsors. Included are:

- Middletown MS Builders Club
- Middletown HS Key Club
- Gov. T. J. HS Key Club
- Tuscarora HS Key Club
- Walkersville HS Key Club
- Urbana HS Key Club (newly chartered!)
- Hood College CKI

New URBANA Key Club Newly Chartered!

NEW CLUB ALERT March 13, 2023

*Congratulations to the
Urbana High School
Key Club*

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Congratulations to the Kiwanis of Frederick for chartering a Key Club at Urbana High School!

Key Club members around the world are learning how to lead and stand for what's right through service and volunteerism. In partnership with their local Kiwanis club, high school students are making a positive impact as they serve others in their schools and communities.

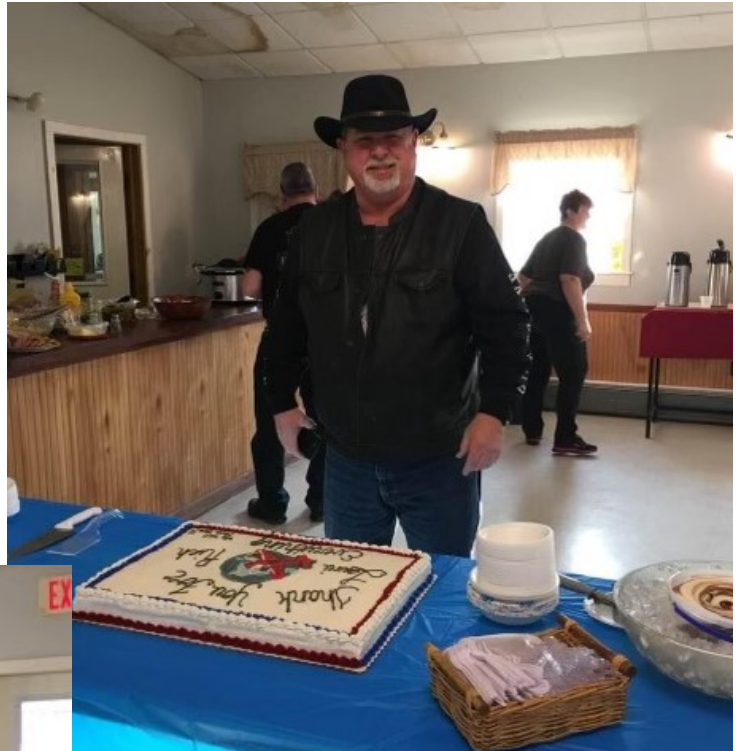
Our Cub Pack 285 Celebrates Birthday at Annual Blue & Gold Banquet

Cub Pack 285 (for which the Kiwanis Club of Frederick is the Chartering Organization) held its annual Blue & Gold Banquet recently to celebrate the birthday of Cub Scouting which was founded in the US in 1930. Representing the Kiwanis Club were Sue Vona and Bob Kaufmann. After an awards program, a delicious pot luck buffet was served. In the upper photo, a Scout leads the pack in the opening ceremony. In the lower photo, Sue and Bob pose with Cubmaster Paul Dethlesfen.



Did You Know this About Pres Richard and Lauri?

Four years ago, the North Country (NY) Honor Flight honored Retired Sheriff Richard Cutting and Lauri Cutting (pictured below) as they prepared to relocate to Maryland. At the time, Richard was Director of Operations of the NY chapter and Lauri served as a valued volunteer. Richard served as a Flight Leader on some flights and now in Maryland he meets up with their four flights a year as ground crew member!



Pack 285 Cub Scouts do Clean Up, Visit Fish Hatchery.

Members of Cub Scout Pack 285 which our club sponsors recently helped cleanup yard debris at St., Joseph's Church. As you can see from the below image, they collected a trailer full of debris!

On another day, this active Pack headed for the fish hatchery where they learned about the 300,000 trout that are hatched annually and how those fry are raised to stock Maryland waterways for sport fishing.



Member Monthly Volunteer Hours: February 2023

by Colette Baker

Here are volunteer hours for the month of February 2023. Be sure to report your monthly hours on the first of each month for the preceding month. Go here to do so:

<https://davidmaloney.com/machform2/embed.php?id=18517>

Hood Board of Trustee

Committee Meetings	1 member	3 hours	2,000 students
Bed Build	2 members	10.5 hours	59 youth
Wreaths Across America	2 members	3 hours	
CTC Bee Keeping Mentoring	1 member	4 hours	12 youth
Middle School Student Recognition Banquet	1 member	2 hours	16 youth

Looking for upcoming Club activities and events? You can now find a current listing online on our club website. Just go to <https://www.frederickkiwanis.org> and click on the EVENTS link in



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Upcoming Birthdays!

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