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## Richard Cutting Recognized!

### 2025-2026 OFFICERS

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Pres. Elect: Clara Thompson  
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Treasurer: Bob Failor  
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Secretary: Lauri Cutting  
518-593-3164  
Past President: Richard Cutting  
518-593-9672

### DIRECTORS

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Allen Byrne ('23-'26)  
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Ray Ediger ('24-'27)  
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Diane Reba ('24-'27)  
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Colette Baker ('25-'28)  
301-514-9144  
Dex Ryberg ('25-'28)  
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### Meetings

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month in the Garden Room, Elks Lodge, 289 Willowdale Dr., Frederick, MD 21702



At our club's recent annual meeting, Dr. Bob Kaufmann recognized outgoing President Richard Cutting for THREE years of service as President. On behalf of the club, In recognition of this long tenure full of accomplishments, Bob presented Richard with his second George F. Hixson Fellowship Award. In 1983, the Kiwanis Children's Fund established the Hixson Fellowship. Named for Kiwanis's first president, Hixsons are often awarded by clubs to members who have displayed an extraordinary level of commitment to their club and to the ideals of Kiwanis. In the top photo, Bob announces the award and in the bottom photo to Richard (wearing his award) makes remarks of appreciation as he reviews his three years as President.

## 2025 Annual Meeting Highlights



During the recently-held Annual Club meeting:

- (Top photo) Theresa Thompson was inducted as the newest member of the Kiwanis Club of Frederick. Shown in the top photo is Pres. Richard Cutting (L) and Theresa (C). To the right is Theresa's daughter and sponsor, Clara Thompson.



- (Middle photo) 2025-2026 club officers were installed including (L to R) Lauri Cutting, Secretary, Sue Vona, President, Clara Thompson, Pres. Elect, Bob Failor, Treasurer, and Richard Cutting, Immed. Past President.

- (Bottom left photo) Dave Maloney (L) was recognized as 2025 Kiwanian of the Year by Pres. Richard Cutting. (Bottom right photo) Hixson Fellowship Award presented to Richard Cutting for extraordinary service to the club Oct. 2022 through Sept. 2025.



## Giftwrap Material Donated to Walkersville HS PTA

The final steps to closing down the club's annual FSK Mall Giftwrap for Kids involved disposing of the left over giftwrap supplies as well as the trailer. I am pleased to report that the materials have been donated to the Walkersville HS PTA for use in their fundraising efforts. In addition, the trailer has been sold to another party. In the below photos, PTA member Natalie Smith and her husband load the supplies including the rug and mat into their two vehicles.



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## Three Members Cover for Dr. Ray Ediger at the Fair

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Thanks to Richard Cutting, Sue Vona and Bob Kaufmann for covering for Ray Ediger at this year's Great Frederick Fair. Ray normally is the club member who observes the kids' animal competition (including steer, pigs, lambs, goats and rabbit) during the Fair. He also decides on how best to donate club funds to the various entrants in recognition of their animal husbandry talents. Due to his convalescing, Ray was unable to participate directly this year. Instead, these tasks were assumed by Richard, Sue and Bob who are shown at the Fair in the below photos.

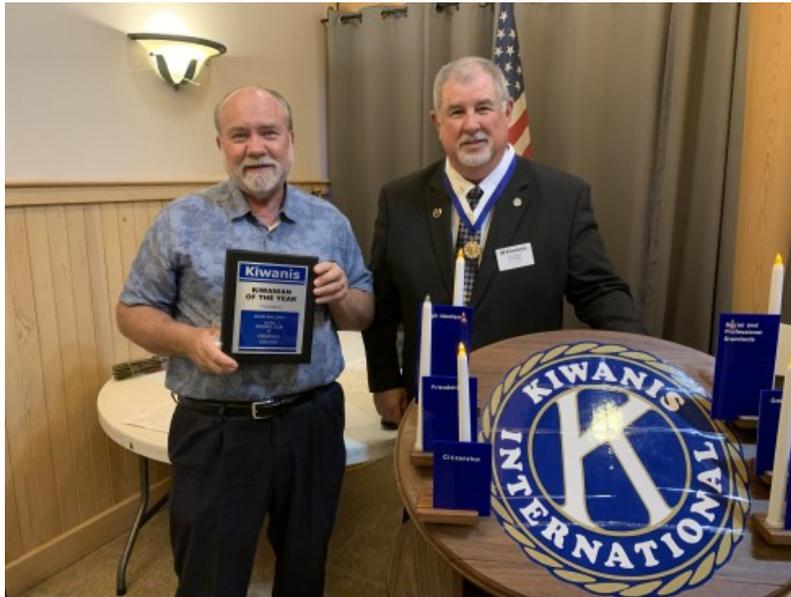


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## Maloney is Kiwanian of the Year!

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At our club's recently held annual meeting, Pres. Richard Cutting (right) presented David Maloney with the Kiwanian of the Year Award in recognition of Maloney's years of service with the annual FSK Mall Giftwrap Fundraiser as well as for his work as webmaster of the club website and as publisher of the monthly club e-newsletter, K-Notes.



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## Baby Watch!

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Member Ashley VanCleaf (left) stands with her expectant daughter who is due Oct. 5th!



## Big Changes

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**The Capital District Kiwanis Board of Trustees unanimously voted at its September 20, 2025 Board Meeting to approve a recommendation from this year's Redivisioning task force. Effective October 1, 2026, all Division 6 Kiwanis clubs will merge into Division 4.**

The following Kiwanis Clubs will move to Division 4 on October 1, **2026**:

- Kiwanis Club of Elkton
- Kiwanis Club of Hampden-Midtown, Baltimore
- Kiwanis Club of Loch Raven
- Kiwanis Club of Reisterstown

Kiwanis Club of Towson-Timonium

With the charter revocation of the Salisbury, MD club and the expected chartering of the Bel Air, MD club, the newly combined Division 4 is projected to have 13 clubs.

These changes will take effect at the end of the 2025-26 Kiwanis Administrative Year, specifically on October 1, 2026, at which point Division 6 will cease to exist. Until then, Lt. Governor-Designate Katie Pajewski will continue to work with current Division 4 clubs, and Lt. Governor-Designate Patty Justice will work with current Division 6 clubs for the upcoming Kiwanis year.

**Given the upcoming merger, a new election for the 2026-27 Lt. Governor for the combined Division 4 should be organized as soon as possible. This election is open to any past president from either current Division 4 or Division 6 who wishes to serve the new combined Division 4. The election should be organized and run by the current (2024-25 or 2025-26) Lt. Governors, unless they intend to be a candidate for the 2026-27 term.**

Additionally, an ad-hoc task force on the role of the Lt. Governor has been commissioned. This task force will propose sweeping changes to the role, impacting club visits, communication methods, and reporting requirements. The District Board of Trustees anticipates a final report at the 2026 Midyear Conference, and these changes are likely to be enacted for the 2026-27 Lt. Governors, who will undergo training in May 2026 in Ocean City, MD.

Should you have any questions about these changes or the revised election process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks,

Jeffrey



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## Club Members Help with Food Giveaway

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Recently, members of the Club helped with the Mission of Mercy food giveaway program. In the top photo, Kiwanis President Richard Cutting stands with U.S. Space Force officer Kristin Cabarcas .

In the bottom photo, Dr Bob Kaufmann (wearing a blue baseball cap) stands in the middle of the back table sorting carrots. He is wearing Kiwanis cap and I'd seen middle of photo next to Space Force officer

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# Ashley VanCleeef Active in Event for Children with Dyslexia

## LEARNING DISABILITIES AND MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS



Join us at our new location for a fun afternoon with people who understand both your child's academic needs and your family's emotional journey.



**OCTOBER 11, 2025**



**1:00-5:00 P.M.**



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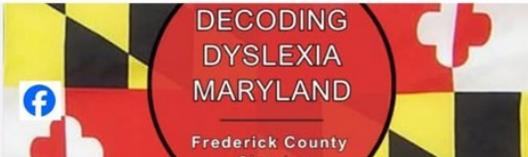
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Kirsten Holste, LCSW-C, RPT**

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## **Agenda for Sep 2, 2025 – Regular Meeting**

**CALL TO ORDER** - President Cutting

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

**COMMUNITY FOUNDATION UPDATE**

**KEY CLUBS**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

In the Streets Update

Sign up for Installation of Officers and New Member Induction Meeting Scheduled for September 23, 2025  
@ the Elks @ 6:00 p.m. Sign up: **Kiwanis Officer Installation Dinner RSVP**

Facebook Update

**NEW BUSINESS**

Adoption of District Bylaws Update

Dissolving Gift Wrap Update

Ratify motion made at the August 26<sup>th</sup> meeting to give away Gift Wrap items no longer in use.

Filling Ray's 4-H position at the Fair.

**FURTHER INFORMATION FROM THE FLOOR**

**Reminders: [See the Kiwanis Events sheet for further information.]**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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## Member Monthly Volunteer Hours: August 2025

by Colette Baker

Here are volunteer hours for the month of August 2025. 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>

Sensory Friendly Keys Game	1 member	20 hours	250 youth
Bed Build	1 member	3 hours	50 youth
Church Fund Raiser	1 member	3 hours	
CTC Beekeeping Mentor	1 member	4 hours	
Gift Wrap	1 member	2 hours	
Mission of Mercy Food Distribution	1 member	2 hours	
Stuff Back Packs at the Capital District			
Convention	1 member	3 hours	

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