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2026 MS Most-Improved Students

2025-2026 OFFICERS

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Bob Kaufmann (thru '26)
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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



Kiwanis Club of Frederick, MD Recognizes the 2026 Frederick County Middle School Most-Improved Students

As they have done since 1990, the Kiwanis Club of Frederick recently recognized the most-improved Frederick County Middle School students for the 2025-2026 academic year. Family, friends, teachers and school administrators joined club members in honoring the students for their improvements in academics, citizenship, class participation and leadership. (Sitting L to R): Delilah Alpern (New Market MS), Amy Ngwafon (Frederick Classical Charter), Lily Cathey (Oakdale MS), Mackenzie Ford (Thurmont MS), Genesis Quintanilla (Gov. Thomas Johnson MS), Aynsley Munday (Monocacy MS), Caroline Mayer (West Frederick MS). (Standing L to R): Wyatt Flook (Middletown MS), Miles McDaniel (Monocacy Valley Montessori), Bowen Pang (Urbana MS), Aiden Cadiz-Gonda (Carroll Creek Montessori), Russell Fawthrop (Walkersville MS), Cameron Moore (Brunswick MS), Colette Baker (Kiwanian). (Unable to attend) Jonathan Rivas (Ballenger Creek MS), Madina Ahmadi (Crestwood MS), Mia Lupercio (Windsor Knolls MS). *"The Most Improved Student Award Dinner was wonderful. Colette and Dave really pulled things together for such a nice event. It was good to see such a good turn-out of Kiwanis members,"* said Club Sec. Lauri Cutting.



Our Cub Pack 285 Very Active at Cub-O-Ree 2026



Our club sponsors Cub Pack 285. Here they are at the Cub-O-Ree, May 2026. It was a blast! They had so much fun.

Recent Member Activities



Richard Cutting helping at an American Legion Garage Sale



Coach Dolly Stewart conducts a club-sponsored Inner City Tennis Class.



Club members Sue Vona, Colette Baker, Richard & Lauri Cutting and Bob Kaufmann recently visited some of our club-sponsored Key clubs including Walkersville HS Key Club (left). Pictured is the leadership team of the Walkersville Key Club, including Erica Carbone, fourth from right standing, who is the club's faculty advisor. The Kiwanians also visited Urbana HS Key Club (right). Pictured are members of the Urbana Key Club leadership team, along with the two faculty advisors, Shawn Schuman, left and Andrea Shephard, right.

Annual Election Results; Upcoming Picnic!

Congratulations to the newly-elected Officers and Directors for the upcoming 2026-2027 fiscal year!

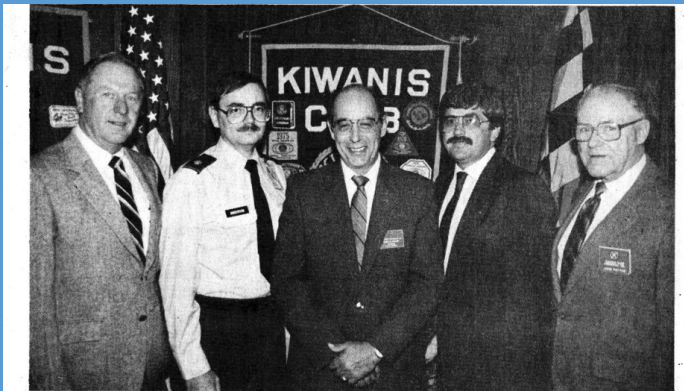
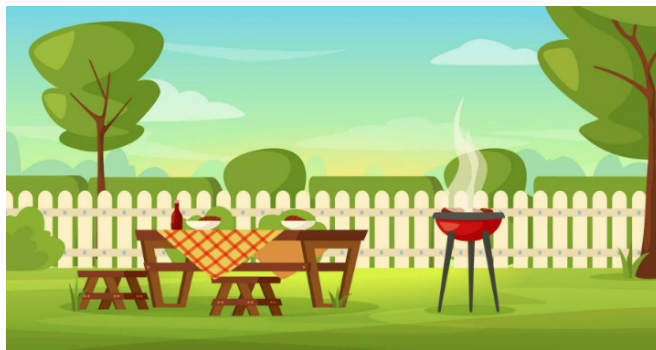
Officers (1-year terms):

- President: Dr. Bob Kaufmann
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- Secretary: Lauri Cutting

Two Directors who will fill 3-year terms:

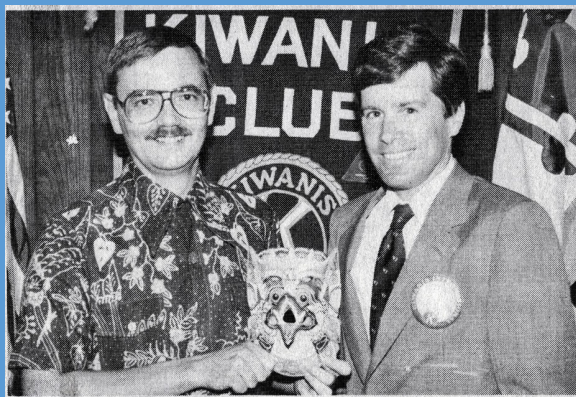
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Save the date: Annual Club Picnic will be at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, Aug 4 at Diane Reba's house.



Officers installed

The Kiwanis Club of Frederick recently installed new officers for the 1987-88 year. The new officers include from left, Dick Horch, vice president; Art Anderson, president-elect; Carmine Saylor, Ninth Division lieutenant governor who conducted the installation; Wayne Fox, president; and John Patton, secretary. Not shown, J. Vernon Summers, treasurer.



Kiwanis travelogue

The Kiwanis Club of Frederick got an opportunity to view a travelogue on Bali, Indonesia, during a recent meeting at Erni's Italian Kitchen. The travelogue was presented by Kiwanis vice president Art Anderson, far left, who toured the country. Shown with Anderson is Kiwanis president Mike Hosford.



Dave Maloney: What are the Bees Doing Today?

Member Dave Maloney recently updated the club on what the bees were doing in May. Swarming, making new queens, how beekeepers mark their queens, and insights as to how bees make the wax comb were all covered. Dave was presented with a special Challenge Coin as a Thank-You. Below, Dave holds the Challenge Coin along with a sample of honeycomb. Flanking Dave are Club Pres. Sue Vona and Richard Cutting.



James Failor 1932-2026

James Failor

James Clepper Failor, of Hagerstown, MD, died Thursday, May 21, 2026 at the age of 93. A native of Lemasters, PA, he was born on August 19, 1932 to Robert S. Failor and M. Marie Failor.

Jim graduated from Lemasters High School, Class of 1950, and received his Bachelor's Degree in 1955 from Shippensburg State College. He served in the U.S. Army for 2 years beginning in 1957. He then worked in numerous capacities at Home Federal Savings Bank for 40 years.

Jim was a member of Haven Lutheran Church in Hagerstown and St. Paul's UCC in Lemasters. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Hagerstown, Mason-Dixon Barbershop Chorus, Hagerstown Community Concert Association (where he was a former treasurer), the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts, Hagerstown Elks Club #378, Sons of the American Legion, and Historical Societies of both Washington County, MD, and Mercersburg, PA.

Jim enjoyed playing the piano and singing; planting and tending his flower beds and tomato plants; attending theater and musical performances, especially the Maryland Symphony Orchestra; traveling around the country to visit historic sites; annual trips to the beach in Ocean City, NJ, and The Chautauqua Institution in New York; and listening to the radio or watching television with his kitty cat Jewelz nestled on his lap.

He is survived by his sister, Ruth A. Bard; twin sister, Janet F. Porter; 5 nephews, Robert L. Failor, Steven D. Failor, H. Mark Bard, James P. Porter, and David A. Failor; and 2 nieces, Susan Bard Weller and Pamela K. Porter.

He was preceded in



death by his sister, Mary F. Failor, and brother, William R. Failor.

Services will be held Thursday, May 28, 2026, at 10:00 am, at the Douglas A. Fiery Funeral Home, 1331 Eastern Blvd. North, Hagerstown, MD, with the Rev. Veronica W. Smith officiating.

Family will receive friends at the funeral home immediately prior to the service from 9:30 am to 10:00 am.

Interment will be at the Spring Grove Cemetery, Mercersburg, PA (near Jim's hometown of Lemasters).

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the James C. Failor Endowment Fund c/o Community Foundation of Washington County MD, Inc., 37 S. Potomac St., Hagerstown, MD 21740. (To donate online: After clicking the link below, choose Fund Option "Other" and Specify "James C. Failor Endowment".)

Jim and his family are grateful to the dedicated and caring staff at Homewood Living Williamsport, the kind and reliable caregivers of Right at Home Hagerstown, and the compassionate and supportive team of Hospice of Washington County for all of the help they have provided in recent months.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.douglasfiery.com.

Our condolences go out to Member Bob Failor whose Uncle, James Failor, recently passed away. "Jim had been under Hospice care. He had been in Homewood's assisted living in Williamsport near Hagerstown for the past year. He came to several of our meetings including our 100th anniversary dinner," said Bob.



BOD Agenda for May 5, 2026

SECRETARY'S REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION UPDATE

KEY CLUBS - Urbana & Walkersville Clubs were visited on April 24th by Colette, Dr. Bob, Sue, Richard & Lauri.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

__ Motion to approve the \$89.95 cost of the Kiwanis Medal in honor of Allen Byrne.

__ Letter to the Foundation (cc: to Art Anderson) regarding the mailing address for their future letters.

BUSINESS

__ Audit Committee Update - Dr. Bob and Dave will serve as our Audit Committee. A date to be announced.

__ A special meeting will take place May 12th @ 12:15 for the purpose of conducting our Annual Meeting.

The proposed slate of officers for our May 12th Annual Meeting (election). The Annual Meeting will take place prior to our Regular meeting on May 12th.

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Dr. Bob is in the process of talking to Coach Dolly who gave tennis lessons to children last summer.

Member Participation Announcement

The Banner School [representatives spoke to us previously], was visited by Dr. Bob and Richard on April 15th to share information about Kiwanis and Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

Mt. Airy's 77th Anniversary Charter Celebration took place May 29th. Dr. Bob, Sue, Richard, Lauri, Roz and Diego attended the celebration.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace update by Richard.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build will take place May 16th @ 9:00 a.m.

Mission of Mercy Food Truck unload will take place May 18th 8:00 a.m.

Mark your calendars for our Annual Keys Game July 7th!

HAPPENINGS

Middle School Most Improved Student Recognition (May 14th) Update

Colette will need Kiwanis help is making this happen. Cost is \$20 per person. Arrival by 6:00, dinner at 6:30.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Monthly Volunteer Hours: April 2026

by Colette Baker

Here are volunteer hours for the month of April 2026. 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>

Bed Build	2 members	7 hours	50 youth
Mission of Mercy Food Distribution	3 members	3 hours	
Marine Corp League Fundraiser for scholarships and Fisher House	1 member	3 hours	
Assist Seniors	1 member	3 hours	
Middle School Recognition Night	1 member	11 hours	16 youth
Banner School Presentation	1 member	1 hour	
SLP – Key Club Meetings	5 members	15 hours	75 youth

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