



2025-2026 OFFICERS

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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

Club Donates School Supplies to Stuff-the-Bus



Revolutionary War Patriots



Dottie Olsen was recently invited by Ron Pearcey to describe her work in documenting Revolutionary War era Patriots buried at Mt. Olivet cemetery. Pictured are Ron Pearcey, and Dottie Olsen accepting a club Challenge Coin from Pres. Sue Vona.

Club Annual Picnic a Big Hit!

A big thank-you to Diane Reba for opening her lovely home and yard for our club's annual picnic. We were greeted as we drove in by a small red pig who took security duty very seriously—no one got past him without a smile.

Once out back, we enjoyed hot dogs, chicken, all the classic sides, and what was *surely* the best corn in all of Frederick County. (If there's better corn out there, it's going to have to show up with references.)

Thanks to everyone who contributed—your dishes, your company, and your willingness to eat outdoors in August are all greatly appreciated.





Parent Resource Center Partners with Keys



The Parent Resource Center, founded by club member Ashley VanCleaf, recently collaborated with the Keys to hold the 3rd Sensory Friendly Keys Game on August 27th. “The Parent Resource Center provides parents with access to the resources that I often see them seeking through my law practice and that I would have loved to have when I was raising my children,” Ashley said.

Although the game ended up being cancelled due to the thunderstorms, Ashley and her team were able to speak with a lot of families sheltering in the concourse and share community resources.

This Sensory Friendly Keys Games are characterized by soft sounds, no flashing lights, and sensory spaces. In addition, The Parent Resource Center also provided sensory bags by the front gates. The bags are designed to help children and adults manage sensory overload and self-regulate in overstimulating environments.

Pictured below left are (L to R) Ashley’s daughter Alexandra Benjamin holding her son, Nolan, Stephanie Knapp, Keys’ Mascot Keyote, and Ashley Van Cleaf. In the righthand photo Nolan happily lends a hand stuffing the Sensory bags.



Members Assist with Mission of Mercy Food Truck



Members Richard Cutting, Lauri Cutting, Sue Vona and Bob Kaufmann (not shown) recently assisted with the Mission of Mercy Food Truck unloading.

 **BLAST FROM THE PAST**



The Kiwanis Club of Frederick has made a donation to "Families Plus!" to support the Children's Health and Safety Fair and SAFE KIDS Bike Rodeo scheduled May 4 at Myersville Elementary School. Pictured, left to right, are Kiwanian Ray Ediger, Chairman Kiwanis Youth Services Committee; Barbara Brittain, Executive Director Families Plus!, and Kiwanis President Sterling Bollinger. For additional Kiwanis information, contact Bill Lukens at 301-682-6737.

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BOD Agenda for August 4, 2026

CALL TO ORDER & Welcome – President Vona

SECRETARY’S REPORT

TREASURER’S REPORT

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

KEY CLUBS - on summer vacation

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Pancake Breakfast Update
- b. AMVETS Update and Possible Proceeding
- c. Update on the meeting with Frederick Fair representative, Carrie Wolf, to discuss the Dr. Raymond Ediger Kiwanis Memorial Award.
- d. Meeting with Community Foundation to discuss the possibility of the Dr. Raymond Ediger Kiwanis Memorial Award.

BUSINESS

Plans for our Installation of Officers and Formal New Member Induction discussion.

Member Participation Announcement

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build will take place August 15th @ 9:00 a.m.

Mission of Mercy Food Truck unload will take place. August 24th at 8:00 a.m.

FURTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Member Monthly Volunteer Hours: July 2026

by Colette Baker

Here are volunteer hours for the month of July 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>

CTC Beekeeping Mentor	1 member	8 hours	
Cub Pack 285/ Boy Scout Troop 795	1 member	3 hours	
Bed Build	2 members	4 hours	30 youth
Marine Corps Fundraiser –			
Scholarship and Fisher House	1 member	4 hours	

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Upcoming Birthdays!

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