



CHESTER KIWAN-O-GRAM

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CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

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PROGRAMS

Jan 14 - Regular Meeting - Chester Library

Jan 15 - Interclub Petersburg Luncheon

Jan 21 - Regular Meeting - Chester Library

Cindy Angus - a friend of Dave Lawton speaking on the YMCA.

Jan 26 - Work Day - Kiwanis Park

Jan 28 - Regular Meeting - Chester Library - TBA

Feb 2 - Midwinter's Conference - Hampton

Feb 4 - Board Meeting - Chester Library

All functions are on Monday and begin at 6:30 PM at **Chester Library** unless otherwise stated. Call Program Chairman Danny Wyatt @ 748-3962 with program suggestions.



Fellow Kiwanians,

Just a couple of months ago, I asked chairman Dayton Todd to start developing a strategy to make the club meeting experience more enjoyable to our members and more attractive to prospectives. Our first priority was to work with the staff at Howard Johnson's to try and improve the quality of the food.

Dayton's efforts resulted in a noticeable improvement, but many members were still not eating at the meetings. The club administrative account was suffering. Worse yet, attendance has been very poor and we have seen very few prospective members this year. With the closure of HoJo's Restaurant and the loss of our longtime venue comes an exciting opportunity for positive change. Attendance at our meeting on January 7 was the highest we have seen in months- **AN ENCOURAGING SIGN!** Please continue to attend regularly during this transition period and participate in the search for a new permanent meeting site.

If you must miss a meeting, please take advantage of other opportunities to stay involved. Our service projects will continue as always. We will continue to interclub each month. **Mid-winters** comes to Hampton in February and **New Orleans International convention** is in June.

Most of all, remember the three keys to our club's success: **MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERSHIP AND MEMBERSHIP.** Invite a friend or associate to a regular meeting, club social or special guest event. **YOU** can help make Kiwanis a stronger and more meaningful presence in our community than ever before.

President Steve

January

Birthdays

- 13 Dave Lawton
- 14 Cathy Rhea
- 18 Hank Dvorak
- 19 Susanne Hillier
- 22 Joe Hillier

Anniversaries

- 14 Tracey and Jesse Morris



CONGRATULATIONS!

Its a girl!
Kenley Scott
Born 1/6/02
to Angie and Tolleison Morriss
7 lbs 13 oz



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Who says winter is Boring?



Please Reserve
 March 29th
The Kiwanis Club of Chester
 30th Anniversary
 Celebration
*details to be announced
 see Nicole for suggestions*




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MID - WINTERS CONFERENCE

January 31 - February 3
 Hampton, Virginia
 "From the Sea to the Stars"
 Holiday Inn at Mercury Blvd

You can make a difference...

Terrific Kids 

Call Nicole Jordan to volunteer
 ~ a Distinguished Member Award Activity ~

We will have a group driving down Saturday for a day-trip. This is an important event in our Kiwanis Education. For very little cost we can get a lot of information about Kiwanis. Special sessions are set up from Finance to Fun. Learn what Kiwanis is all about. Of special interest is a visit to Lt. Governor Vickie Minnietree's suite for a Division 18 caucus. Don't miss this one!

Membership Roundup
February 11th
 Bring a Friend
 Bring a Buddy
Bring Somebody!

We need some people who want to make a difference in our community, and have fun doing it.

This is our big opportunity to share our experiences with potential members. Please be thinking of someone to bring. One person can make a difference.

Thanks!

The board wishes to thank everyone who made the holiday season special this year. From **Tom** and **Ted** who managed the Canned Food Drive, to **Nicole's** fancy Kiwanis float, and **Danny's** fast skating to keep up with the Christmas Parade. To **Cliff** for bringing the car and **Tom** for cranking it to get it started. And especially **Mary Jo** and **Rick** for hosting the Christmas party, and to **Marshall** for not telling the bull-moose story. All of you made Chester a nice place to live.

Operation Smile 

Don't forget our Major Emphasis project this year! We will be collecting pocket change (and more) at meetings .. give generously. Our donation will make a difference in a small child's life.



The Hotel Property

A handful of workers came out last Saturday morning for a field and forest day at the Hotel Property. We can really see an improvement over last year! All of the logs cut from last year have been pulled to the center of the 'loop' for what looks like a big bonfire. This will not be burned, but rather chipped for mulch and returned to nature. The big lawnmower worked it's magic on the brambles and wild grape. Already you can see the park taking place.

We need a few more workers on Saturday January 26 to keep the momentum going. A few years from now people will look at the property and remark "I remember when ..." be a part of this exciting hands-on project. Join us January 26th at 8 AM.

2002 District Convention
 8 - 11 August 2002
 Lynchburg, VA

