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Date		Program
1/19	Mon	Alaskan Ground Tour – Gary Burleigh – Antlers – hot springs, grizzly bears, trains, mountains and the mystery of ice commodes. Don't miss it!
1/26	Mon	Mentor Match– Philip Day Two people and two hours a week is all it takes to start a mentoring relationship that has benefits all around. Young people who have mentors do better at making and keeping friends, building their social skills, and finding a job.
2/2	Mon	Board Night –
2/7	Sat	HOV regional Midwinters Conference to be held at J. Sargent Reynolds C.C. on February 7, 2009. Governor Tom Ganse has requested that we do a Regional Service project in lieu of a banquet in conjunction with the official governor's visit. Details and date to be announced.
2/9	Mon	Personal Safety - Officer David Zeheb The Crime Prevention Section of the Support Services Division strives to provide a FIRST CHOICE community by educating citizens on how they may anticipate, recognize, and reduce crime.
2/16	Mon	Guiding Eyes - Margaret Paxton . . . an internationally accredited, nonprofit guide dog school with a 50-plus year legacy of providing the blind and visually impaired with superior Guiding Eyes dogs, training, and lifetime support services
Meetings are held on Monday Nights at Rite Aid Drug store in Chester at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted. Contact this quarter's Program Chair Noelle Grosso with suggestions. CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR OUR CURRENT SCHEDULE		

PRESIDENT'S VIEW



President Dixon

Has anyone seen Mark Fauz's article on the Christmas Parade. Great article, he can't say enough good things about Kiwanis and Chester. He praised the work of Kiwanis and volunteerism, especially to our younger generation. I think that is probably the most important thing we offer to the community and our children, the love of volunteerism and leadership.

Studies show the happiest people on earth are generally not the wealthiest, but the ones that volunteer. Hey, that does make us the wealthiest, not in riches, but in real joy. Shh, but don't let the government know, or they will find a tax for it. Instead of "carbon footprint" it will be "joy footprint" and just like the scam of selling carbon credits they will come up with joy credits,

after all those with the most joy should pay more, right?

So, now while it is all tax free, volunteer away and enjoy the benefits of tax-free joy. You will be blessed, your children will be blessed, our community will be blessed, and our world will be a better place.

I just completed my quarterly taxes, does it show? If you would like to make your tax season a little bit easier try www.FreedomFinancialLLC.net, click on Learning Center and Tax Library. It is a great resource for so many things, enjoy.



That's what we do with volunteerism, we volunteer our resources, time, & talent. Lead our children well, I'm going skiing!!

Be blessed,

Dixon

2009 Fall "HardTimes" Festival

Joe Hillier confirmed that the Fall Festival will be held this year on October 14. Please place this important date on your calendar. The Fall Festival will replace the Spring Fling as the club's annual fund raiser.



2008 Fall "Hard Times" Festival



2008 Chester Kiwanis Christmas Parade

Many thanks to **Angie** and those who helped put on the 2008 Chester Kiwanis Christmas Parade. This event is becoming a Chester classic and seems to be getting bigger each year.



Be sure to take note of our many business supporter and thank them by frequenting their business during these difficult times.

Anniversaries and Birthdays



Birthdays

Suzie Trotter	1/17
Hank Dvorak	1/18
David Elswick	1/19
Susanne Hillier	1/19
Ann Stuart	1/20
Joseph Hillier	1/22
Kris Der	1/28
Dixon Handwerk	1/28
Kim Slagle	2/3

Anniversaries

Noelle and Eddie Grosso	2/7
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INTERCLUBS



See **Danny Wyatt** for dates and times of our next interclub.

EXTRAORDINARY WORK



Kiwanis, through guidance and example, works to develop future generations of leaders.

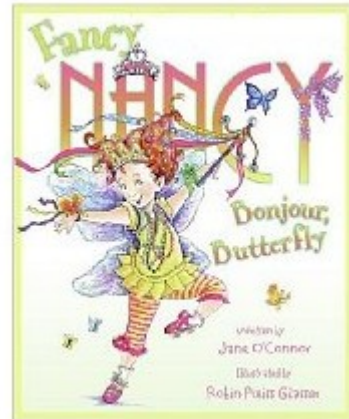


Thomas Dale High School Keyette Club Adviser and Officers

It was a near "standing room" only crowd on Feb 9th as the Thomas Dale High School Keyette club adviser Beth Jaeckle, president Allison, vice president Kelsey, treasurer Julie, secretary Jessica and chaplain Alexandria attended, in addition to Colonial Heights Kiwanis club members Byron Haner, Jim Russell and Jim O'Connell for an inter-club meeting.

The Keyette Club has logged 730 hours involving 30 community service projects this year. The projects include tutoring, cleaning up the old cemetery, providing cookies to fire fighters and assisting at [Bon Secours](#).

Children's Book Drive Any Time Any Child's Book



Remember to support our effort to collect children's books.

Contact: **Basil Furr** for information

2009 Regional Midwinter Conference

Heart of Virginia (Div 4,18,24)

7 Feb 2009

J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College

1651 East Parham Road

Richmond VA 23228

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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TERRIFIC KIDS

We now sponsor more elementary schools than Nicole can handle. Please consider helping her continue this important Kiwanis Family activity.