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January/February Schedule

- 31 Jan ~ February Board Meeting. Jack Wilson, Bermuda District Representative to Chesterfield Planning Commission
 7 Feb ~ Interclub with Central Chesterfield, Gulliver's—12:30 p.m.
 7 Feb ~ Allan Altholz, Pamplin Park
 9 Feb ~ **Wednesday** Interclub with Keyettes at 6:30 p.m. and Key Club at 7:15 p.m., TDHS auditorium
 14 Feb ~ Ed Wallent, former principal, The American School of Kuwait
 21 Feb ~
 26 Feb ~ **Saturday**, Capital District Midwinter Conference, Williamsburg
 28 Feb ~ March Board Meeting. Billy Davenport, Chesterfield Commonwealth's Attorney, "The Death Penalty in Virginia"

Meetings on Monday at 6:30 PM at Eckert Drug Meeting Room, Chester unless otherwise stated. Contact Guy Smith with program suggestions at WGuySmith3@aol.com or 748-6216.



Fellow Kiwanians:

January has been a very good month. Two new members inducted, Bob Doniel & Dixon Handwert. Please make a big effort to make them feel welcome. And, we had a couple of prospective members as guests, Paul Woodard & Taylor Munday. Thanks to Tolleison & Rick respectively for affording these young people an opportunity for membership into a very good Kiwanis Club.

While I'm discussing membership, let me stand on my soapbox a minute. Please refer to page 20 of your Yearbook. This displays the criteria for an individual to become a Distinguished Member. I want to emphasize that I am not just interested in numbers or individual awards, but for every one of you who accomplished this award, our Club is the beneficiary and ultimately the community. I heard some of you say how nice it was to see such a "crowd" at our January 24th meeting. Folks, this is how it was at every meeting in the late '80s when we had around sixty five members. Think how nice it would be if we could get back to that level. We can easily provide much more community service and greatly enhance our weekly fellowship. Only good things can come of it!. Work hard to bring in those prospects! So far, Burleigh, Carter, Cassada, Castro, Duncan, Gray, Henry, Hillier, Jordan, Morriss, Rhea, Slagle, Thompson & Wyatt are still in the running with perfect attendance (make ups all count). Think what heights we can achieve as a civic club in the Village of Chester if this group works hard to attain this "individual" goal!

I want to take this opportunity to, again, thank Jim Whittleton for furnishing the tents, chairs, tables and equipment to make our Chester Kiwanis Chili Day a success. He also furnished the tablecloths for us to use at the Governor's Visit to our Club on January 24th. It is most difficult for Jim to attend our Meetings, but he does make his contribution where it counts the most.

Now, keeping things in order, it is time that we think about attending the Capital District's Midwinter Conference. Not only will this probably be the last one of this format but we have an opportunity to attend in support of Lt. Governor Steve Miles (check his schedule for hosting an open house) and to attend seminars that will benefit our Club. We made a positive impact on our community in the '70s & '80s by the enthusiasm we obtained by attending District Conventions and bringing that enthusiasm back to our Club and then rendering quality service to the community. And we grew as a Club because of these experiences. Our newer member in particular, should want to avail themselves to this rich opportunity to gain Kiwanis experience and knowledge. Go on line to www.capdistkiwanis.org for further info or ask Steve, Nicole or myself about what you have to do to attend. In the past, we have

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January 17th Program, Thomas Dale High School Keyettes



Krispy Kreme Poster Boys!



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gathered early AM on Saturday and driven to the Convention site to get there in time for the Awards Breakfast. Since the Conference is in Williamsburg, this should be easy to attend. The date of February 26th. To date, Steve Miles, Steve Castro and myself have signed to attend. The Club will reimburse you for your Registration. What a deal!. Please consider attending. Not only will you benefit (and have some fun), but our Club will benefit from your experiences. Robin Moore will be selling "Ducky Derby" ticket at our meetings for \$5.00, the proceeds of which will go to Pediatric Trauma Centers within the Capital District.

A bit of sadness and at the same time, happiness for the individual. Luther Dixon has been transferred to Charlottesville effective February 28th. He will be moving there ASAP. Luther has served us well and we will surely miss him. I am very grateful that Dayton Todd has agreed to fill out Luther's term as our Treasurer. Dayton wishes for the Club to seek a successor for the next Administrative year. Bon Voyage Luther. Thanks!.

Joe.

SERVICE IS OUR COMMITMENT; FELLOWSHIP & FUN ARE OUR AWARDS!"



Governor Warren Kane visits our club (L) with interclubs from Colonial Heights & Petersburg. Gov Warren, Lt Gov Steve, President Joe, and Key Clubbers Alex and Matt (R)



Part of the crew that worked Chili Day



The Killer Chili



Grateful community turned out to feast!



**Capital District Kiwanis
 Midwinter Conference 2005**



This is your opportunity to learn more about Kiwanis and to share your experiences with other great community service volunteers in our Capital District. Satur-

day, February 26th offers training , experience sharing, and fellowship. It's also a good times to provide support for our own Lt. Gov Steve Miles who has unselfishly poured his heart and soul into moving Divisions 18 & 24 forward toward their full service potential. Steve has made his commitment. Can we share that commitment if for only that one day? Sign up at any of the next two meetings and we can car pool. (Getting there is half the fun!) I suggest breakfast, a morning of training, visiting hospitality suites and breathing in the Kiwanis experience. You can have a fun day and still be home before dark.

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