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# **Programs**

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President Steve

Date		Program
May 8		<b>Major Matthew Ritchie, Virginia National Guard</b> - Speaking on the role of the reservist in current national defense.
May 15		Ms. Tricia Wolfe, of the Shepherd Center of Chester. Shepherd's Centers of America (SCA) is a network of interfaith community-based organizations that provide meaning and purpose for adults throughout their mature years. All Shepherds' Centers have a commonly understood mission to empower older adults to use their wisdom and skills for the good of their communities. <a href="http://www.shepherdcenters.org/">http://www.shepherdcenters.org/</a>
May 22		Jim Evans, of Gilliam & Evans. Topic: Wills, Power of Attorney, Living Wills. A Living Will (also known as a Health Care Directive) specifies whether you would like to be kept on artificial life support if you become permanently unconscious or are otherwise dying and unable to speak for yourself. Estate planning attorneys will commonly create both a Living Will and a Medical Power of Attorney for their clients.
May 29		<b>Spring Fling</b> Final Planning Meeting. Please be sure to attend to cover last minute details and assignments.
May 30	Wed.	Chester Kiwanis Spring Fling, John Tyler Community College, Chester Campus, Chester, VA, 4 PM
June 5		<b>Board Night</b> – Heads up on our summer meeting days and activities! To Be Announced.

Meetings are held on Monday Nights at Eckerd's Drug store in Chester at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted. Contact Program Chair David Elswick e.d.elswick@worldnet.att.net suggestions.

#### President's Message

Greetings from your President! We are rounding the corner and heading for home! Spring Fling is coming up on May 31st. Traditionally this is where our club shines as a service organization due to the amount of effort and support we put into it. This year my intentions are for the Spring Fling to be the best of them all due to the amount of new members we have and the quality of people that we all are. With that in mind, it is imperative that we follow the direction of Steve Miles for selling tickets to our friends, family, work colleagues, church members and even our neighbors. If we sold a minimum of 10 tickets per club member, which I think is extremely attainable, we would raise \$10,000.00 for our club! The task is daunting. Sometimes people feel uncomfortable asking others to purchase tickets, however, if you believe in our mission, this will be an easy task as it will benefit the children and our entire community.

A fantastic day came about in my Presidency on May 1st. In some ways, I felt like a proud father as I inducted the five newest members to our club. With this, I give a big Kiwanian welcome to our newest members: Michael Stansfield, Basil Furr, Walter Word, Noelle Grosso, and Angie McDaniel. Please take the time to meet and greet each new member and welcome them personally to our club.

Let's make our Spring Fling the most successful ever! Good Luck on Ticket Sales!







#### **BOARD ACTION**

In our annual election of officers, the board of directors confirmed the following officers for fiscal year 2006-2007:

President: Ron Gray President-Elect: Jay Slagle Vice President: Holly Flores Treasurer: Bob Cassada

2006-2008 Directors: Louis Corde, Dave Duncan, David Elswick, Nancy Perry

#### **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

# **Heart of Virginia Regional Prayer Breakfast**, Richmond, VA, May 16th. 6:30 AM

The Spiritual Aims Breakfast is on for Tuesday, May 16th. "We need to fax our list to Nicole and get our money (\$12 in advance/\$15 at the door) together. It starts a little before 7, with the program at 730. p. s. ...that is a.m., after all its a BREAKFAST!!!!" See **Danny** for details

Anniversaries			
Carol & Doug Pawluk	05/16		
David and Teresa Duncan	05/22		
Joe & Susanne Hillier	05/23		
Birthdays			
Tony Flores	05/05		
Rick Dodson	05/22		

### **Petersburg Breakfast and Luncheon Club's Shrimp Feast**

Wednesday May 17 [4:00pm-8:00pm]

## **Colonial Height's Club Golf Tournament**

Thursday May 18.

### Spring Fling – sell those tickets!

## Children, Priority One -

Our schedule is in place for reading to children this summer at four daycare facilities in the Chester area Starting June 6th to August 10<sup>th</sup>.

Tuesday and Thursday

8:30a.m. - 9:00a.m. OR 4:30p.m. - 5:00p.m.

Chester Child Development, Rivers Bend Children's Center, YMCA, Children's World.

See Stacy for the sign up list.

# **COACH (Coalition for Active Children) Day**

Request for volunteers Saturday, June 3rd. 8am-2pm. Chesterfield County Fairgrounds

The COACH day will be a festival for both children and their parents, its purpose is to provide education and information of how kids can live a healthier lifestyle. Kiwanis is a partner with COACH and we are looking for volunteers from our membership.

Kiwanis volunteers will help out at the festival by assisting with set-up/tear down; passing out bags to kids; help facilitate kids going around to the various booths. It will be a rewarding experience sharing this important information with Chesterfield families. Call **Holly** at (804) 640 8680 for details.

#### **COMING SOONER THAN YOU THINK**

**Children's Miracle Network Telethon** is scheduled to be held the first weekend in June and hopefully clubs are planning to participate and support this annual campaign.

#### **Crewe Chicken Festival**

Wed June 21st

"Hey Fellow Kiwanians,

I know that our focus is our own Spring Fling, but I have a bunch of **Crewe Chicken Festival** tickets to sell. Let me know if you're interested." **Linda** 



The Crewe Chicken Crew - 2005

# **2006 ANTHEM GURNEY TOURNEY**

Saturday, June 24, 2006

9:30 - 5:00 pm

Come one, come all! Come join in the fun! Watch the teams decorate, parade, and race their gurneys at the Old Dominion Building, Richmond International Raceway. This event is showcased within the SunTrust Indy Challenge which draws crowds of up to 40,000 people! The Kiwanis Club of Chester is sponsoring a gurney! Come out and Cheer! See **Rick** for details.

# Kiwanis International Convention, Montreal, Canada

June 28 - July 2, 2006

#### Capital District Convention Aug 18-20, 2006

This year's convention will take place at the Hyatt Regency Reston in Reston, Virginia. The theme for this year's convention will be "Service Takes Center Stage" as we put a spotlight on the basis of Kiwanis International. See either of the **Steve's** for details.