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Leading the Way



This week's program: Aging and Memory Care Options, presented **Debby Brauch**, Director of Sales and Marketing for Pheasant Ridge Memory Center. Debby has worked to help the senior community for almost 20 years. She spent 14 years in the nonprofit community marketing and promoting services and programs to help families in crisis and to help seniors age with dignity. Then she moved to the senior living industry for the last five years promoting assisted living communities, specifically those serving the special needs of Alzheimer's and dementia. Debby is a native of Salem and now enjoys living in downtown Roanoke with her two children. She has a daughter, Sara, who is a sophomore in high school and a son, Ryan, who is a junior at the University of Mary Washington.

Danville Kiwanis Interclub -Thursday, September 7 - Danville Golf Club: Social Hour-5:30 p.m. (Cash Bar); Dinner-6:30p.m.; Cost: \$32.00
Currently temporary greens are being utilized but it is anticipated that the regular greens will be ready by September 7. At any event, there will be a golf tournament. Shower facilities and towels available. MENU: Carved tenderloin; Marinated grilled chicken breast; Salad bar julienne w/dressing; Pasta salad; Scalloped potatoes; Green beans; Buttered corn; Yeast rolls & butter; Coffee, Iced tea, or water; & Desserts Door and golf prizes will be awarded at the dinner. **RSVP by Sunday, September 3, 2017, to russellgeorge1@verizon.net or (434) 792-9220 or locally to lenoch54@gmail.com (540) 632-9266.**

Next Meeting – August 30

Opening Bell – President Andy Stone

Welcome Table – Libby Demski

Invocation – JC Taylor

Song Leader – Mike Quinn

Pledge of Allegiance – John Bradshaw

Introduction of Guests – Libby Demski



**Last Week's Speaker, Capt Andy Seiler -
Salvation Army**

Important Kiwanis Dates . . .

September 2, 2017 – Military Appreciation Night at the Salem Red Sox

September 7, 2017 – Danville InterClub

September 8, 2017 – Admiral Jeffrey Jablon @730am @Holiday Inn Tanglewood

September 16, 2017 – Kiwanis Bocce Ball Tournament fundraiser @ River's Edge Park, Team Registration @1030am; play begins at 11am. Cost is \$100 per 2 person team

September 27, 2017 – Installation of Officers & Directors

September 30, 2017 – Key Club Division Meeting @ Roanoke Catholic School

October 7, 2017 – Lick Run Greenway Clean-Up

May 5, 2018 – Haley Toyota KPAD

Brag Bucks: \$2,568 we met our goal to beat last year's brag bucks total of \$2,443! Now let's see how much more we can raise before the year end.

Up-Coming Programs

- ✓ **September 6** – RAMP & Roanoke Blacksburg Technology Council – Robert McAden
- ✓ **September 13** – Ballast Point Brewing Company – Mike Alvarado
- ✓ **September 20** – Passenger Rail in Roanoke – Va Dept of Rail & Public Transport

Welcome! Kevin Meade, American National Bank (Sherry Dillon) and **Carol Schaefer** (Robert Carpenter).



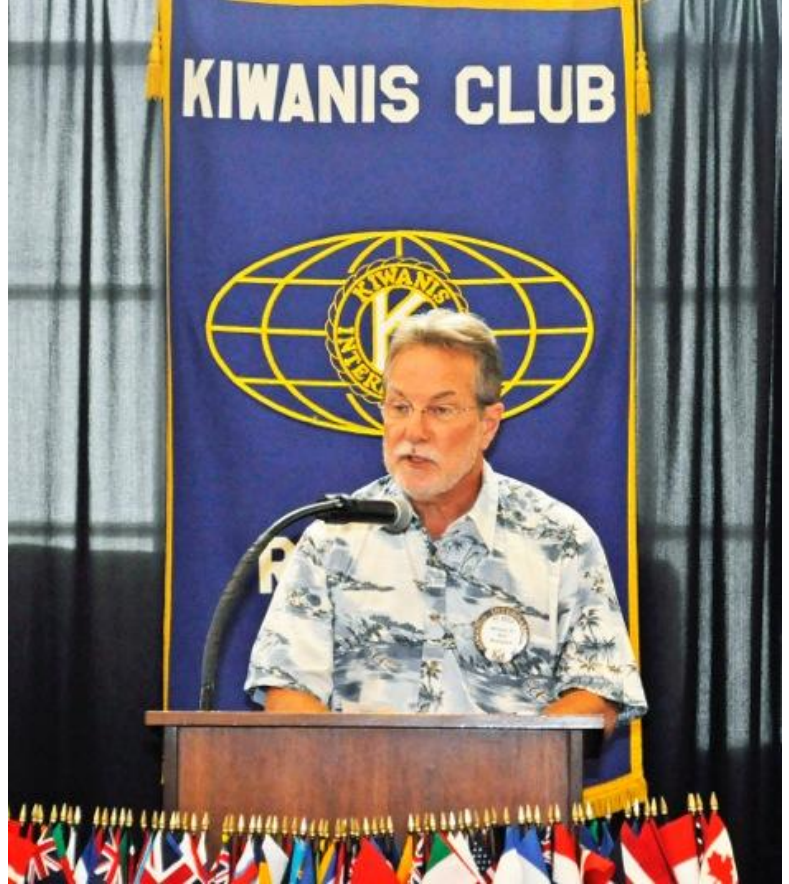
A Rousing Rendition of When the Saints Go Marching In!

Admiral Breakfast - On **September 8th at 7:30am**, at the Holiday Inn near Tanglewood Mall, our club is hosting a breakfast for **US Navy Admiral Jeffrey Jablon**, Deputy Director, Plans & Policy, US Strategic Command. Admiral Jablon is a submarine commander, and a graduate of VT and JMU. He will be speaking about the importance of the Navy in our global economy, and there will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions. The **cost is \$13** and is payable at the door. You must sign-up so we can get an accurate head-count. If you are interested, please sign-up at the next luncheon, or email **Mike Leigh** at Mike@opxsolutionsllc.com.



Phoenix Star AKtion Club Receiving their \$500 Service Leadership Check from the Club

Autobiography was presented by Bill Bestpitch – Bill was born in Takoma Park, MD, growing up with four younger sisters, he had the opportunity to live in Kentucky, Florida, California, and Colorado. He graduated from Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, VA, as valedictorian of the class of 1969. The US Army drafted him in 1972; Bill served at the US Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases, Ft. Detrick, MD. His service included stints at Ft. Leavenworth, KS and US Military Community Activity in Worms, Germany. He received the Army Commendation and Meritorious Service Medals. After honorable discharge in 1980, Bill attended and graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a BSW in 1983 and MSW in 1984. During his nearly four-decade career as a social worker, he worked for the Virginia Department for Children, Total Action for Progress, Blue Ridge Behavioral Health Care, Family Service of Roanoke Valley, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Virginia, and Creative Family Solutions. He also provided consulting services to the Social Work Department at the Virginia Veterans Care Center and was an adjunct instructor for the Radford University School of Social Work.



Bill and Sheri were married in 1988 and moved to Roanoke from the Richmond area in 1990 when they bought the Mary Bladon House Bed & Breakfast, which they operated for six years. Bill has been active in the Old Southwest neighborhood organization, The American Legion Roanoke Post No. 3, Roanoke Elks Lodge No. 197, and as secretary/treasurer of the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke.

His favorite Kiwanis volunteer projects include cleaning up the Roanoke River, Greenway clean-ups, wrapping presents for the annual Christmas party for children at the West End Center, and stuffing “Back-to-School” backpacks for CHIP. Bill attends the Unitarian Universalist Church of Roanoke, where he volunteers as an overnight host for the Family Promise program for homeless families and a lunch server at RAM House.

Bill also has served on boards and committees of many local non-profits including Community Youth Program, Roanoke Valley Alliance for Children, Festival in the Park, United Way of Roanoke Valley, Happy Healthy Cooks, and Roanoke Valley Sister Cities. With a lifelong interest in history and politics, Bill served on Roanoke City Council from 2000-2004, 2010-2014, and is currently serving his third term. He currently chairs the city’s Audit Committee and serves on the Budget, Legislative, and Personnel Committees. In addition, he is a member of *Virginia’s First* Regional Industrial Facilities Authority and the Roanoke Valley-Alleghany Regional Commission, and he is the current president of the board of directors of GRTC (Valley Metro). As a council member, Bill has supported focusing on community development one neighborhood at a time; advocating for neighborhoods; historic preservation; the environment and greenways; access to the ballot; and reducing the number of homeless veterans. In his spare time (!), Bill enjoys reading, swimming, hiking, biking, and traveling. He has two sons and seven grandchildren.



Kiwanis Club of Roanoke First Annual Bocce Ball Tournament September 16, 2017 at Rivers Edge Park

Registration is at 1030am and Play begins at 11am

Two person team cost \$100. Ticket includes lunch and 2 drink tickets
No experience needed. Five games guaranteed.

All proceeds go to Kiwanis Roanoke River Greenway Projects

New to bocce . . . a fun family game?



The object of the sport is for a team to get as many of their balls as close to the pallino (smaller ball) as possible. The match begins with the flip of a coin between teams with the winner tossing the smaller ball on to the court.

Then, a team member rolls the first big ball (bocce ball) to get it as close to the small ball as possible. The other team follows . . . trying to get their balls closer to the smaller ball than their opponents.

When all balls have been played, one team is awarded one point for each bocce ball closer to the pallino than the opposing team. The other team scores no points.

The team that scores in one frame starts the next frame by throwing out the pallino and playing the first bocce ball. The game is won by the first team scoring 9 points. The game ends when the 9th point is scored and the other team has played all four bocce balls.

A fun day with Beer, Food Trucks & Music! Supports the Roanoke River Greenway!

Limited to 50 teams . . . sign up early.

To register or be a court sponsor @ \$100,

Team member 1) _____, email address _____

Team member 2) _____, email address _____

Court Sponsorship @ \$100 - Name of Company _____

Address of Sponsoring Company _____

Enclose check for \$100 for the team or company sponsorship and mail to:

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