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# Kiwanis NEWS

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## Leading the Way



This week's program: *Women's Re-Entry into the Community*, **presented by** Dorothy Owsley, **Executive Director**, Transitional Options for Women. Transitional Options for Women opened in 2014. It is the first and only facility in the Roanoke area which assists women released from local prisons. The center has become a beacon of hope for women returning home from being incarcerated, offering a safe place to live, employment assistance, weekly in-house classes and a structured environment in which the residents can take time to heal and become productive citizens within the community. Prior to 2014, there were no services in the area or within 400 miles for women who have been in prison or jails to re-enter society and contribute to their community. Today's program is about raising awareness of the obstacles these women face and how we as a community can help them overcome those difficulties.

**Next Meeting – January 4**

**Opening Bell** – President Andy Stone

**Welcome Table** – David Points

**Invocation** – Dan Karnes

**Song Leader** – Tom Miller

**Pledge of Allegiance** – TBA

**Introduction of Guests** – David Points



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**Important Kiwanis Dates . . .**

**January 9, 2017** – Kiwanis Board Meeting  
@ 1215 @ Holiday Inn Tanglewood

**January 11, 2017** – First Responders  
Recognition Awards @ Kiwanis

**January 25, 2017** – Our Kiwanis Club's  
97<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**March 4, 2017** – Key Club Dance  
Marathon to benefit Children's Miracle Network

**March 15, 2017** – Haley Toyota KPAD  
Kick Off

**May 13, 2017** – Haley Toyota Kiwanis  
Pancake & Auction Day @ Berglund Center

**Brag Bucks:** \$878 raised so far this year; our goal is to beat last year's brag bucks total of \$2,443.

**Up-Coming Programs**

- ✓ **Jan 4** – Transitional Options for Women – Dorothy Owsley
- ✓ **Jan 11** – First Responders Recognition
- ✓ **Jan 18** – Boxing Therapy for Parkinson's Disease – Ginny & Shields Jarrett
- ✓ **Jan 25** – Kiwanis Club of Roanoke 97<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**Please be sure to see President Andy's letter about sponsorship at the end of this newsletter, as well as an invitation from TAP.**

**Red Cross Blood Drive information:** Club members who are regular donors and or want to become regular donors, please note that the sign-up process has changed. In the past Heth Thomas scheduled our appointments, but he has moved away from the area. St. John's Episcopal Church is continuing to host blood drives and they have requested that Kiwanians make their appointments by calling 1 800 RED CROSS or go online to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) If you don't already have a login, you will need to create one and you can sign up for email and/or text reminders. The next drive is **Thursday**, from noon to 6 pm. 2017 dates are **February 15, April 19, June 14, August 9, October 4, and November 29**



**Tony Lewis, Mike McAllister and JC Taylor did an awesome job ringing the bell at Dickens of a Christmas**



**KIWANIS CLUB OF ROANOKE  
2016  
WEST END CENTER  
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

SPONSORED BY

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AND

**DAN CHITWOOD, CLA**

The Kiwanis Club of Roanoke especially thanks our generous sponsors who made possible our West End Center Christmas Party for 2016. Along with contributions from our Club members, more than \$2350 was expended to make this Christmas Merry and Bright for approx. 50 children and families in our community.

**LUNCH SPONSOR: EVERGREEN BURIAL PARK**

Also, special thanks to Don Wilson and Evergreen Burial Park for sponsoring the lunches today for our young guests and their chaperones.

**Please Consider Becoming a Sponsor!**

Dear Kiwanis Member,

Being a member of the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke has been a very important and rewarding part of my business and professional life. The Club's community service outreach serves as a testament to our vision..."To be a moving force that unites private, public and non-profit sectors to improve the well-being of and the quality of life for everyone in our community". We live our vision through "sweat equity" service projects, scholarships to local students and project funding grants to various community organizations.

A primary element in the fuel that drives our mission is money. Our fund raising efforts, like KPAD, cannot carry the entire burden and we find it necessary to seek out those who believe in this important work to join in our efforts as members and help as sponsors of our club. In 2015-16, the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke had 33 sponsors generously donating \$18,025. With these proceeds, KPAD proceeds and our Foundation contribution, our Club was able to award \$25,500 to area students to recognize them for their good academic work and community service to others and to help them advance toward their long term goals. In addition, we were able to fund 26 community service grants of approximately \$30,000 to various agencies and organizations to assist them in the good work they perform in our Valley.

To that end, I am sending this letter to my fellow Kiwanians to ask that you join with me in support of our efforts by becoming a sponsor of our Club. The sponsorships raised will be used as part of the funding of our Scholarship and Career and Technical Awards Programs, as well as our overall community service funding, to assist children, seniors and the environment. You and your business will receive the recognition for making a sponsoring contribution.

Should you prefer to make a tax deductible gift, you may do so through our Foundation, a 501(C)(3) charity, earmarking your gift for corporate sponsorship. Should you choose to pay the sponsorship directly to our Club, your corporate entity may qualify for a business deduction.

More information on how you can make your sponsorship a reality is attached to this correspondence. Thank you for your consideration of this additional avenue to make the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke **the** premier service organization in the Roanoke Valley. Thank you for your participation in the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke and in sharing in its mission.

Sincerely,

Andy Stone, President

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Please make your gift by August 31, 2017 for inclusion to the budget considerations for 2017-18

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Save The Date!

**Wednesday  
January 25th  
10:30 a.m.**

Join us for TAP's first tour of 2017! Find out how our agency creates hope through programs that provide education, job placement, and safe places to live. RSVP by January 18 to Libba at 540.283.4866.