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Stand By Your Plan



This week's program: Promoting Healthy Choices in Our Youth
Presented by **Nancy Hans**, Executive Director, **Prevention Council of Roanoke County** and **Brooks Michael**, Adolescent Educator for **Carilion Children's** and **Prevention Education Coordinator** for the **Prevention Council**.

The mission of the Council is to foster healthy development of youth and support families of our youth in Roanoke County and beyond. Over the past 13 years Ms. Hans has guided the Council through the second phase of the Drug Free Communities initiative, as well as guiding the Council through securing its own 501c3 status. In 2015 and 2016 the Council was awarded both state and national awards for community partnerships, data driven outcomes and use of the strategic prevention framework process (SPF). Since 2014, the Council is committed to reversing the opioid/heroin epidemic in our community and Ms. Hans has served on the Opioid/Heroin Prevention Task Force since its inception 5 years ago.

Ms. Michael works with schools, parents, teens, and the community at large in a variety of settings such as after-school programs, classroom presentations, and health fairs. She serves on 6 youth-focused community coalitions and Boards that focus on the healthy development of young people.

Next Meeting – December 6

Opening Bell – President Don Witt

Welcome Table – Lois Larson

Invocation – JC Taylor

Song Leader – Bill Bestpitch

Pledge of Allegiance – Tom Miller

Introduction of Guests – Lois Larson



Last Week's Speaker, Sheila Umberger

Important Kiwanis Dates . . .

December 7, 2017 – Kiwanis Social Night –
A Christmas Story @ Mill Mountain Theatre
w/pre-show reception

December 13, 2017 – Cookie Exchange and
Ugly Christmas Sweater at Kiwanis

December 20, 2017 – West End Center Holiday
Party

December 27, 2017 – Christmas No Meeting

March 7, 2018 – Haley Toyota KPAD Kick Off

May 5, 2018 – Haley Toyota KPAD

May 30, 2018 – Memorial Day No Meeting

July 4, 2018 – Independence Day No Meeting

*So far this year we have raised \$627 for the Foundation; our goal is to beat last year's total of \$2,936.
Who would like to make a \$2 brag (or more) today?*

Up-Coming Programs

- ✓ **December 13** – Roanoke Children's Theatre Holiday Fun! – Pat Wilhelms
- ✓ **December 20** – West End Center Party
- ✓ **December 27** – No Meeting

Welcome! Kiwanis Club of Lynchburg (Tulane Patterson); **Brenda McDaniel**, Roanoke Library Foundation (Rupe Cutler); and **Susan Kessler** (Reif Kessler).

Important Business! 2017-2018 Committees - Lists have been placed at lunch tables, but perhaps you have not been present when they were available or you did not have the opportunity to sign up. If you have not already done so, please let **John Montgomery** know in what areas you would like to serve. **Currently only 53% of our members are signed up!** We are an active service club that needs all to participate to make this club a success. Thank you for your help!

Sweat Equity Opportunities! We have volunteer opportunities – **Wendy Mellenthin** is collecting **2018 calendars** to donate to veterans at the VA Hospital in Salem. Instead of throwing out calendars you receive in the mail from non-profit groups, please consider bringing them to the next Kiwanis meeting and giving to Wendy. **West End Center Holiday Party** – we are collecting cash donations to buy presents and pay for the meal. Present shopping will take place on **December 16 at 730** at the Clearbrook Walmart and present wrapping will take place on **December 19 at 530pm** at St. John's Episcopal Church. All are welcome, but please let **Lois Larson** llarson@generationsolutions.net know if you will be participating or donating money – thank you!

We've got some great Holiday Events!

Social Events! The KFC Kiwanis Fun Crew – has scheduled a fun outing on **December 7** we're having a special Club social for **A Christmas Story** at **Mill Mountain Theatre**. Our pre-show reception begins at 6pm. Tickets are \$50 per person, checks can be given to **John Montgomery or Larry Kufel**.

Cookie Exchange! Cookie Exchange at the **December 13** meeting. To participate bring 2 dozen cookies and a nice container to take your cookies home. Each participate will select cookies of their choice in exchange for the two dozen he/she brings. If anyone would like to bring an extra just in case someone forgets that would be thoughtful. **Make it even more festive by wearing your ugliest Christmas Sweater to Kiwanis that day!**

SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING—Our Kiwanis Club will again be 'ringing' on Market Square during the three evenings of *Dickens of a Christmas*...December 1, 8, and 15. Below is a listing of our schedule. We would welcome 3 or 4 Kiwanians on each shift. Signup sheets will be on the tables on Wednesday, or contact **Betsy Bohannon 540.529.2102** or **Ken Briggs 540.314.9616** to reserve your time.

Friday, December 8—"Winter Carnival"

8 to 9PM—Bob Thomas & his dog Wilson (2 more needed)

Friday, December 15—SPCA Pet Contest

6 to 7PM - Eddie & Carolyn Barnes (1 more needed)

7 to 8PM—Rupert Cutler & Brenda McDaniel (1 more needed)

It is with tremendous sadness that we share the passing of club member **Ben Mayhew**. Tragically Ben fell from a roof 18 months ago while helping his mother. Although he fought hard to recover normal health and had even joined us for a recent meeting, Ben's physical body simply could not stay on earth with us any longer. A card was sent to his family last week, please continue to keep Emily in your thoughts during this difficult time.

Dewey Bennett "Ben" Mayhew Jr., 62, of Roanoke, Va., died on Sunday, November 26, 2017, at Carilion



Roanoke Memorial Hospital. He was born on May 19, 1955, to Jean Brice Mayhew and Dewey Bennett Mayhew Sr. in Roanoke, Va. Ben had a happy childhood filled with pranks, camping trips, time on Smith Mountain Lake, and happy mischief with his neighborhood friends. He attended Cave Spring High School and Ferrum College before finishing his undergraduate degree at Lynchburg College, where he went on to complete his M.B.A. Ben enjoyed traveling, expertly grilling, time with friends and family, the outdoors, riding his motorcycle under the biker name "Big Blue Bike

Bennie," and making everyone around him laugh. He worked in various roles at Lynchburg College for 28 years. Ben was gifted at networking and fundraising and was pleased to make the transition to DePaul Community Resources in 2015, where he served as the Director of Development and took great joy in helping children and families. He was involved in a number of organizations including the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke. Ben leaves behind many loving family members. He is survived by his wife, Emily Mayhew; his children, Brice Mayhew, and Alison Tuck and husband, Daniel; his sisters, Kris Drummond and husband, Jerry, and Karen Mayhew; niece and nephew, Rachel Enright, and Zeb Enright and wife, Catalina; the mother of his children, Mollie Ledford; and many cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jean and Dewey Mayhew. We would like to extend a special thank you to all of our wonderful family and friends for the outpouring of love, support and prayers, and also to the staff and medical teams at Carilion Roanoke Memorial Hospital. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 9, 2017, at Greene Memorial United Methodist Church with Gary Heaton officiating. There will be a reception at the church to follow. Please remember Ben when you find yourself by the water, when you feel the wind in your hair or in moments of laughter. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Ben's honor to DePaul Community Resources, Greene Memorial United Methodist Church or to Brain Injury Services of Southwest Virginia. Arrangements by Oakey's South Chapel, 540-989-3131. Online condolences may be made at www.oakeys.com.