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# Kiwanis NEWS

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Love Thy Neighbor



This week's program: **TAKE TO THE SKIES** with **Jon Beard, General Manager and Chief Flight Instructor** with **Star Flight Training**. With over 20 years of flying experience, Jon has flown everything from dropping skydivers to piloting charters. Since coming to Star Flight Training, their fleet and student population has continued to expand in an effort to meet the growing demand for more pilots. Star Flight Training was named as Roanoke's Best Small Business in 2016. Star Flight Training has also been an avid supporter of KPAD having donated numerous Discovery Flights to our auction. Jon is also an avid photographer and author of "Shooting in the Dark: A Guide to Night Photography".

## Up-Coming Programs

- ✓ **June 26** – Carilion Life Flite – Laura Whitlow
- ✓ **July 3** – Happy Independence Day !
- ✓ **July 10** – First Responders Recognition

**Next Meeting – June 19**

**Opening Bell** – President Jenny Lee

**Welcome Table** – Kevin Reeder

**Invocation** – Wendy Mellenthin

**Song Leader** – Mike Quinn

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Sam Lionberger III

**Introduction of Guests** – Kevin Reeder

**Rubber Chicken 50/50** – Pam Adams



**Chick Enjoyed her Lunch with the Phoenix Star AKtion Club this Week!**

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**Important Kiwanis Dates . . .**

**June 27, 2019** – Kiwanis FUN Night @ Salem Red Sox

**July 3, 2019** – No Regular Luncheon Meeting

**July 10, 2019** – First Responders Recognition

**July 17, 2019** – Kiwanis InterClub – details TBA

**July 19, 2019** – First Fridays on Franklin

**September 28, 2019** – Bocce Tournament

**September 28, 2019** – Key Club Meeting & Service Project @ National D-Day Memorial

**December 5, 2019** – Kiwanis FUN night at MMT – Sound of Music & reception

**January 28, 2020** – Kiwanis Club of Roanoke's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

*Who would like to make a \$2 brag (or more) today? We have received \$1,957 so far - \$3,253 is the number to beat for 2018-2019*

**Welcome Guests! Ron Pugh** (Glenn Pierce) and **Rachel Woodson**, Virginia Tech (Melvin Woodson).

**InterClub!** Join us July 17 at Hunting Hills Country Club on the back patio at 6pm for cash bar and small plates. Live music provided by Dan Chitwood and friends. Fun activities include cigar and bourbon bar! Cost is \$10 above the normal lunch price and non-members are \$22 per person. Anyone interested in golf should contact Hunting Hills directly – play is \$24 at 3pm, includes cart & balls.

**June Birthdays**

Dan Karnes (June 2)  
Ben Spiker (June 3)  
Bill Logan (June 3)  
Steve McGraw (June 7)  
Mike Bell (June 8)  
Tammy Cazad (June 8)  
Gary Powers (June 10)  
Reif Kessler (June 11)  
Dan Chitwood (June 13)

Sherman Holland (June 15)  
Steve Willis (June 16)  
Bart Wilner (June 20)  
Phil Shiner (June 22)  
David Hartman (June 25)  
Ray Sarver (June 28)  
Jim Arend (June 29)  
Bill Leach (June 29)  
Sam Rasoul (June 30)

**Grants are now open!** Organizations that have applied in the past will receive letters in the mail as notification of the 2019-2020 grant cycle. Members or organizations who have not received an application should contact John Montgomery to be added to the list. Deadline for submissions is August 1, 2019.

**Sweat Equity:** Kiwanis Club of Roanoke is one of the charitable recipients for First Fridays this summer. **Our last date is July 19.** We need to provide volunteers to work the ticket tables, wrist bands, and pour beer...AND HAVE FUN! Please contact **Mike McEvoy** to sign up and don't forget to wear your Kiwanis t-shirt. **Let's Do Lunch – the Local Office on Aging (LOA)** is hosting their annual fundraiser to help support Meals On Wheels – a program our club has funded for many years. Eat in or order take and Get Your Grub on for our community! See details in the flyer below

**Car Show Fundraiser to Benefit Kiwanis Centennial Playground** (Sponsored by:

West End Cruisers (Ernie Littlefield) Harris Landscaping (Troy & Zac Harris)

Date July 20, 2019

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. cars begin to arrive at 9:00 a.m.

Location: Ernie's Garage, 1900 block of Chapman Avenue, Roanoke

*All Donations go toward Kiwanis Club playground*

*No fee to enter a car or to attend. All types of cars welcome!*

Burgers, hot dogs, beans, BBQ, and drinks provided.

**In Memoriam – James Howard Watson** (November 30, 1926 June 12, 2019) passed away Wednesday, June 12, 2019, at the age of 92. He was predeceased by the love of his life Doris Lee Branson Watson; his parents, James Walter Watson and Mamie Teal Watson; his brother, Jack A.



Watson; and sisters, Mary Brittain and Carlene Bodenheimer. He is survived by his daughter, Cathy Watson-Bloch and her husband Alan Bloch; son, James Watson II; beloved granddaughter, Olivia Bloch; and several nieces and nephews. Born in Burlington, N.C., Jim grew up during the Depression and recalled stories of his loving family, jitterbug contests, and a lifelong love of movies, particularly westerns. In January of 1944, at age 17, he talked his father into signing his Navy enlistment papers. He served on the commissioning crew of the USS Wisconsin, spending two years with the Pacific Fleet. After returning home from World War II, he met the beautiful Doris Lee Branson. They married in 1947, and were together for 67 years. He attended the Life Insurance Institute at Perdue University for two years. His insurance career began in 1950 with the Occidental Life Insurance Company, and in 1955 Occidental relocated the couple to Roanoke, Va. Jim absolutely fell in love with the Roanoke Valley, and even though he traveled extensively, he would

return home and call Roanoke "the most beautiful place in the world." In 1957 he received his Certified Life Underwriter (CLU) designation. In 1972, he signed on with Northwestern Mutual Life. He proudly represented the company, so much so that he did not fully retire until the age of 86. Jim truly cared for his clients and his great friends that did business with. He became a Chartered Financial Consultant in 1984, and was a lifetime member of the Million Dollar Roundtable after earning membership in 1966. Jim has been a member of the Kiwanis Club since 1955 and served as a club president and a Lt. Governor. He was a member of Grandin Court Baptist church since 1955. Jim was an avid golfer and bridge player. He cherished his family, friends, and daily walks with his dog Bugsy. The family would like to thank our special friend Cherokee Stanley for her love and support. A heartfelt thanks for kindness and loving care during his illness is extended to DeDe Hayes; Dr. Andrew Fintel and Roxanne Turner at Blue Ridge Cancer Care; Ricky, Jane, and Home Instead Senior Care; and especially friend, Dr. Harry Johnson. Memorial contributions may be made to the Roanoke Valley SPCA or United Way of the Roanoke Valley. Arrangements by Oakey's South Chapel, (540) 989-3131.

Jim was a Kiwanian since 1955, longer than any other current member of our club. He was president of the Williamson Road Kiwanis Club in 1967 and served as Lt. Governor of our division in 1972. When the Williamson Road club surrendered its charter in 1991 and merged with the Kiwanis Club of Salem, Jim transferred his membership to Roanoke.

A longtime Insurance representative with Northwestern Mutual, Jim was one of several individuals associated with that firm who maintained memberships in the Kiwanis Club of Roanoke.

**Ad Sales Campaign  
For the Club's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
Souvenir Program and History Publication**

Kiwanians:

A little more than seven months from now—on Tuesday evening, January 28, 2020— we will gathering in “our best bib and tucker” in the Shenandoah Club up the street. We will raise a glass and celebrate our club's 100 years of service to our community. I'm sure we're all looking forward to it! Everyone loves a party! And I know you want our club to celebrate its diamond jubilee in first-class fashion, because we have so much to be proud of.

The centennial celebration budget includes a professionally produced video history of our club with interviews and photos that will be the main program. This video will be a souvenir with every guest receiving a **thumb drive** containing that video, along with a handsome 52-page **souvenir publication** that will serve as menu, program of the evening's events, and an illustrated history of all 100 years of our club's existence, leaders, and service projects.

Rupert Cutler is overseeing production of the souvenir program and history publication. As with the 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary program, the content was a club history and paid advertisements. This is where you as a club member have an important role: We need you to (1) **buy a personal advertisement** (your business card will work) and (2) **sell a few ads** to companies with which you do business. In the next six months we need to sell 45 ads of all sizes.

**We have:**

**two inside covers**

**two full-color pages on the reverse of the full-color center spread**

**nine full pages = \$375**

**six half pages**

**ten quarter pages**

**sixteen business card-size = \$60**

John Montgomery can mail a form to you and please share the order form with other businesses too. **Our goal is \$8,000 in ad sales** thank you for doing your part to make our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration fabulous!