

# Capital District Kiwanis

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## MiniBuilder

April 2011 — May 2011 Dave Maloney, Editor

### Governor's Message by Governor Tom Varner

This has been a productive and active March for your Governor. It was productive in a number of ways, but the first event and the most productive in terms of growth was the chartering on March 4 of the Kiwanis Club of Young Professionals of Tidewater, and, yes, that is their official Kiwanis name. At their organization in February there were 26 members, two joined during the month, and another two became Charter Members by



turning in applications before I presented the Charter to President Alex Hazelwood. I congratulate

Lieutenant Governor Amy and the Young Professional Educators who organized and supported this club.

President Hazelwood talked about the enthusiasm that young professionals have for doing group service in the community. At the same time, they are not thrilled

with the formality of meetings and programs. The 3-2-1 Kiwanis Club is a great fit for anyone who desires to do service. 3-2-1 is three service hours, two social hours, and one business hour of "meetings" each month for each member. The business meeting serves mainly to insure that everyone is connected and knows what the service projects will be for the coming month or months.

This at least the third club of this type chartered in the Capital District - one in northern Virginia and two in

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### Governor-elect Candidate

In accordance with the Capital District Policy Statements, qualified members who have filed their intention of being a candidate for the office of Governor-elect may have their candidacy announced District wide beginning on the second Friday in January. The Kiwanis club of Hampton Midtown, Maryland, supported by all the clubs of Division Twelve, has presented Ted Zapalowicz as a candidate for the office of Governor-elect of the Capital District for the 2011-2012 Administrative year.

Ellis H. Stroup, District Secretary-Treasurer

### Let Kiwanis District Convention Show You the Way to Make History



The 2011 Capital District Convention planning committee continues to set the bar high for convention experiences this August in Williamsburg. For three exciting "official" days and one fun pre-convention day, attendees will have more options than ever to network, to learn about Kiwanis challenges and

opportunities, to find out about future projects and programs, and to celebrate the accomplishments of this great organization. And surely, you will want to stop in the Caring Corner and the Kiwanis Store between workshops and delegate sessions. Registration goes live in mid-April on the

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Hampton Roads. It is a great format for those potential members who can maximize community service and minimize time away from family and business. Perhaps we should look more at this model when looking for new club locations.

A quick trip back to Ashland and then up to Leisure World for the Potomac Midwinter on Saturday. This was a great Midwinter. Past Governor John Tyner was elected to serve as the District Trustee from that Region. The committee planned and provided an exciting and information-laden program.

Wednesday, March 9, we attended the Division 10 Service Leadership Programs night in Division 10 at the Mary Washington. There was a great turnout and all of the Service Leadership Program clubs present gave a status report on their clubs and their activities.

Division 4 had its Council Meeting on Saturday, March 19 and then we drove to Bridgeville, Delaware on Monday for the 72<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Bridgeville Kiwanis Club, or as they know it the throwing of the "Scrapple." During the evening, they honored Past President Jack Hassman with a Hixson Fellowship. In addition, George Hardesty, Jr. who has been the Club Secretary for over 35 years received with his 50 Year Legion of Honor award. Every club in the Division had representatives at the meeting.

Back home that night and on to Williamsburg for the 2011 DCON Committee meeting on Wednesday. The Committee is progressing nicely. The DCON Web Page at <http://www.kiwaniscdc2011.com/> already has information about the DCON and more will be added as we get closer to the Convention dates.

We recently spent an enjoyable several days at the Key Club District Convention in Arlington. From the time the District Key Club Board under Governor Rachel Slotter's leadership met to set up the "get-ready" for convention plans to

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## April 2011 – May 2011

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the closing on Sunday, it was an energy-filled weekend. On Thursday afternoon, individual Lieutenant Governors prepared for the arrival of their Divisions. A giant (ten feet by fourteen feet) scoreboard provided the backdrop to the dais for the main meeting room in the hotel.

Something very special occurred during the Thursday and Friday prior to the convention. At the hotel were many of the living Medal of Honor winners. Several members of the Board were able to speak with these heroes and some have autographs and commemorative Medal of Honor medals. It was a very impressive lesson in history.

As your Governor, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation and thanks to Capital District Key club administrator Joe Stankus for not only this weekend but also for all of the work he puts into "taking care" of our

high school age young people. He is tireless in his efforts and the results demonstrate how much he cares.

Thanks also to all of the many other adults who serve on the Adult Board and as Kiwanis and Faculty Advisors. They are all great and we thank them for working with this vital Service Leadership Program.

The new Board held their first meeting immediately after the adjournment and will be joining with the Kiwanis 2011 - 2012 Lieutenant Governors and the District Board of Directors for the Lieutenant Governor Conference at the end of April. The new Capital District Key Club Governor is **Caroline Morris** from Division 10B.

The Capital District with strong leadership from our Lieutenant Governors has almost dug itself out of the growth hole that the automated system put us in

on October 1, 2010. Our membership count starts with the membership on September 30, 2010; however, clubs can drop members from their roles until midnight on October 1. In that one day, the District lost 180 members. As of February 28, 2011, the District had grown by 163 members and we are only down 17. Great job by a great team.

Today, April 1st, marks the halfway point for this Kiwanis year - and that's no foolin'! For the next six months, everyone needs to continue with the same enthusiasm and can-do spirit they have had for the last six months. We have gotten to the edge, now let's all work to go over. Can we count on you to invite that special friend to become a part of the greatest service organization in the world? Remember 3-2-1 and the Service Leadership Programs. That is your incentive to do more.

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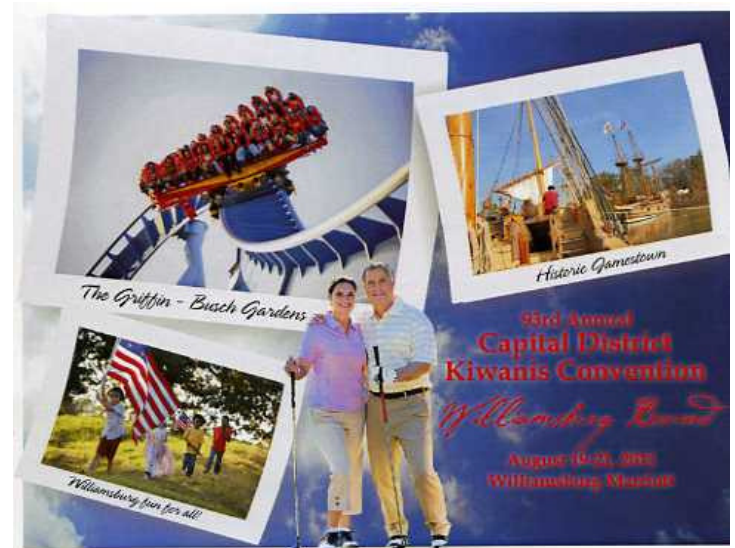
## In Memoriam

### March 2011

Violet G. Williams, Hampton, Va.  
Nancy McCormick, Franklin, Va.  
Jimmy Patton, Chincoteague, Va.  
William Engelby, Ashland, Va.  
Michael Canty, Downtown Hampton, Va.  
Irene Goodykoontz, Radford, Va.  
Dick Gardner, Abingdon Club

### February 2011

Robert Corber, Colonial Capital, Va.  
Art Glidewell, Chesterfield, Va.  
James Parker (Past Lt. Governor), Harrisonburg, Va.



**2011 DCON** (cont'd from page 1)

web at  
Kiwnaiscdc2011.com.

Beginning Friday August 19 with a social function around the pool -- hot dogs, ice cream and other picnic favorites included -- Kiwanians will have an opportunity to participate in workshops, delegate sessions and additional social events.

Saturday is the busiest day starting with the opening breakfast highlighted with remarks by Founding Father Patrick Henry (Richard Schumann, professional historical interpreter from Colonial Williamsburg). Morning workshops will be followed by the Fellowship Luncheon featuring a message from W. Taylor Reveley, III, president of the College of William and Mary and a strong supporter of Kiwanis.

More workshops and seminars in the afternoon lead up to the Governor's Reception and Banquet on Saturday evening. This one promises to be extra special - Fifes & Drums, Strolling Strings and . . . but more about that later.

Sunday morning begins with an Inspirational Breakfast and speaker Mark Morrow, Pastor of Crosswalk

Community Church in Williamsburg, who will talk about a wonderful local teen support program Kiwanis is a part of.

Of special note, all-day Saturday the Planning Committee is sponsoring a service project attendees won't want to miss. You'll have a hands-on opportunity to make a difference in the lives children overseas as we package meals in support of Stop Hunger Now, a U.S.-based international hunger relief agency. Recently, the 20-member Planning Committee conducted a trial packaging session and put together 1,000 meals in about 15 minutes. We want to do 100 times that many at Convention. It's a production line, it takes focus, it's fun and we will make a difference. You will be hearing more as the convention grows nearer.

Other things in the offing include a special "Overview Tour" of the Williamsburg/Historic Triangle area to give you a chance to see all of the wonderful experiences, educational and just plain fun, that are available. And District 23 golfers are planning to host a pre-conference outing to raise money for the ELIMINATE

Project. Convention hotel rates apply for one-week before and after the convention, if you make your reservations all at the same time.

Check the Convention committee's website at [www.Kiwnaiscdc2011.com](http://www.Kiwnaiscdc2011.com) for the latest information. You can subscribe to the Convention Blog as well as link to the Convention's Facebook page.

We're "Williamsburg Bound - History in the Making" in August 2011. Join us!

## Woodbridge Kiwanis Club Celebrates 64 Years of Service

On Thursday night, March 17, 2011, the Woodbridge Kiwanis Club celebrated the 64th anniversary of its charter date at the Montclair Country Club. Emcee for the evening was Randy Zeigler, club president. Attendees included members of Kiwanis Clubs of Manassas, Manassas-Battlefield, Arlington, Mount Vernon, Fairfax and Tysons Corner. Guest speaker was Peggy Van Lowe, Area Coordinator of Prince William Special Olympics.

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## Club Satellites that Become New Kiwanis Clubs by KI

At Kiwanis International, one of our Flexible Membership Initiatives is a club satellite-designed to attract folks who have particular reasons or circumstances for not joining a Kiwanis club. A club satellite is a group of people who become members of a hosting club but independently hold meetings and events at a separate location-for reasons such as living in a different community that doesn't have a club, needing different meeting times or focusing on a Service Leadership Program.

No minimum number of members is needed to initiate a club satellite. However, a club satellite group that reaches 25 or more people can petition

for its own charter without penalty to the host club to be distinguished.

When petitioning for a charter, all charter members- including those coming from a club satellite-must pay the applicable Charter Member Fees to Kiwanis International and to the district.

An example: in March, your club forms a club satellite with 15 people by adding those members and paying their new member fee of US\$42 each in Tier A. (See a complete guide of the prorated fees for new members of existing clubs here.) In September, the group reaches 25 or more

people. At that time, all of the club satellite members must pay the US\$50 charter member fee (Tier A countries) to organize the new club.



In addition, please remember: for the hosting club to avoid penalization for the distinguished recognition, the paperwork must indicate what hosting club each club satellite member is coming from. For more information, contact Member Services or at 1-800-KIWANIS, ext. 411.

A SATELLITE CLUB IS DESIGNED TO ATTRACT FOLKS WHO HAVE PARTICULAR REASONS OR CIRCUMSTANCES FOR NOT JOINING A KIWANIS CLUB.

## Hampton Roads Region has "Best Mid-Winter Ever"!

by Amy Thorstad

The 6th Annual Hampton Roads Mid-Winter K-Family Reunion was held on February 12 at Old Dominion University. It was a frigid Saturday but that didn't stop 250 Kiwanians, including 60 SLP members, from coming out to enjoy a full day of fun, education and service.

Special guests included Kiwanis International Trustee, Dr. John Button and his wife Debbie; Capital District Governor, Tom Varner and his wife Lin; Capital District Gov-Elect, Jeffrey Wolfe and Immediate Past Capital District Governor, Don Dudey.

This year's Mid-Winter featured a fantastic service

project called Stop Hunger Now. Stop Hunger Now (right) is an international hunger relief agency that provides nutritionally balanced, pre-packaged meals to people in poverty stricken countries throughout the world.



## Capital District Solicits Applications for Position of District Secretary/Treasurer

The Capital District Board of Trustees was advised by Secretary-Treasurer Stroup at the February 5, 2011 District Board Meeting that it is his intention to retire from that position effective September 30, 2011. Job description and application for those interested in the position are available at <http://bit.ly/guiv0> and <http://bit.ly/elJMOR>, respectively. They are also available from Sec. Ellis at (301) 371-4650.

## Teenager of the Year by Roger Diehl

Attention Fellow Capital District Club Presidents! By now each of you should have received from your Lt. Governors the Teenager of the Year nomination packet. As in previous years, the deadline for Divisional winners must be sent to me by June 1st, 2011. I look forward to having a nomination from each Division which as never been accomplished. Question? Call me at 410-984-7815 or email me at [rogerdiehl@comcast.net](mailto:rogerdiehl@comcast.net).

## Capital District Distinguished Member Awards

by PG John Tyner

The Annual Distinguished Kiwanian Recognition Program was started 25 years ago as an opportunity for the District to recognize those Kiwanians who demonstrated an ongoing and consistent involvement with their club's activities and with the goals of the District. We recognized 80 Kiwanians for their efforts during that premier 1985-86 Administrative Year. And now, 25 years later, only one of those original members has maintained that status ever since: Past Governor Joe Hillier. Right behind him with 24 years is Past Governor John Tyner.



This year we had only 25 members take part in this award program, including 12 members who are receiving their First Year Award. These certificates and "walking person" pins are being presented by Immediate Past Governor Don Dudey at their home regional midwinter conferences. So if your name is on this list, see him for your award.

**Division Two**  
 Fred Terrell - 1 year  
 Tulane Patterson - 1  
 Peter Parker - 1  
 Dick Neth - 1  
 Max Meador - 2  
 David Heppner - 2  
 Joe Eskridge - 1

**Division Eleven**  
 Dale Collins - 2  
 Rosemary Cummings - 6  
 James Kunkle - 1  
 Charma Bell - 1

**Division 17**  
 Martin Weiss - 8  
 John Tyner - 24

**Division 18**  
 Joseph Hillier - 25

**Division 22**  
 Millie Kriemelmeyer - 8  
 John Harris, Jr. - 9  
 Harry Kriemelmeyer - 10  
 Jerome E. Peuler, Jr. - 14  
 Kelley Jennings - 3  
 Lloyd Morrison - 1

**Division Twenty-Three**  
 Carla Morin - 13  
 Caren Schumacher - 1  
 Hugh Siggins - 1  
 Penny McClellan-Siggins - 1  
 Scott Zimmerman - 1

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## Grafton Kiwanian "pays it forward" by William Moore

Attorney Chad Green Establishes Grant for York County School Teachers

by William C. Monroe, Grafton Kiwanis Club & York Foundation for Public Education

Imagine a young boy struggling to master reading. Although this is not unusual for boys, it is a problem to be overcome. Fortunately for the boy, he had a dedicated reading teacher with skills that were up to the challenge. Years later the boy, Chad Green, now an attorney and a member of the Kiwanis Club of Grafton, Virginia, wanted to "pay it forward," but how? Fortunately for him, the York Foundation for Public Education (YFPE) had a program in place to "pay it forward."

Beginning this year and continuing every spring, the YFPE will award the Chad Green Reading for Merit Innovative Grant in honor of Katherine Snead. Ms. Snead was



the reading teacher who was able to make the break through that led to Chad Green's successful college and law school experience.

Ms. Myra Ingram, a Kindergarten teacher from Yorktown Elementary School was the recipient of the first grant. When Peggy Myatt and the YFPE Prize Patrol went to Ms. Ingram's classroom to present the Grant, she gave an explanation of the award and how it was funded. She asked the class if they knew what "perpetual" meant. Immediately, all their hands went up. The selected pupil explained that "it means forever

and you can't do anything about it."

The YFPE provides grants to teachers for innovative teaching ideas not currently funded by the School Division. The grant funded by Mr. Green will be self-sustaining in five years. For more information about YFPE contact Peggy Myatt, 757 898 0300.

Pictured: Chad Green, right, Myra Ingram, left, and Ms. Ingram's reading students are all smiles following the presentation of the Chad Green Reading for Merit Innovative Grant. The class had been celebrating Dr. Seuss's birthday.

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## 25 Year Legion of Honor Awarded to Eastern Branch Kiwanian Johnnie Ferguson

by PLG Elana Gardner

The success of Kiwanis International is largely due to the strong, effective, and active service of thousands of Kiwanians - many of whom have achieved more than 25 years of membership. These dedicated individuals deserve recognition for having helped make Kiwanis the great organization it is today. The Legion of Honor award was created to extend a token of appreciation to these

Kiwanians by recognizing members from their 25th year of service and incrementally every five years thereafter. Eastern Branch Kiwanis recognizes Johnnie Ferguson for achieving 25 years of membership. He joins other past Legion of Honor recipients HR Crawford (40 yrs), Joe Richard McCray (40 yrs), Buffington Falls (40 yrs), Peter McGalliarria (35 yrs), William Bailey (30



yrs), Joseph Bowser (30 yrs), Mordecai Williams (30 yrs), Eugene Kinlow (25 yrs), John Burchette (25 yrs) and George Nelson (25 yrs).