

Capital District, Division 7



MOUNT AIRY KIWANIS CLUB

2013-2014

President: Glee Butts

President Elect:

Secretary: Carole Flanigan Baird

Treasurer: Angie Moore

Immediate Past President: Jeri Simon

Directors: Oct. 2013- Oct. 2015 – Gay Natoli, Nancy Hammond, Bob Force
Oct. 2012 - Oct. 2014 – Martha Edmiston, Marion Taylor, Tom Walker

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Meeting Place – Mount Airy Volunteer Fire Hall

2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm

Address: Mount Airy Kiwanis Club, P.O. Box 671, Mount Airy, MD 21771

Dinner (\$12) catered by the new Lohr's Restaurant

NO December Birthdays

Early January Birthdays – Paul Clay – 01/08

Calendar for December – all members

Dec 11 – Christmas Party – 6:30pm

Greeter – Nancy Hammond

Invocation – Carole Baird

Thought for the Day – Curtis Baird

Dec 18 – Regular meeting – 6:30pm

Greeter – Gay Natoli

Invocation – Paul Browne

Thought for the Day – Tom Walker

Dates to Remember

- Dec 11 – Our Christmas Party at the Fire Hall
- Dec 13-Dec 21 – MAMSA Christmas wrapping at City Hall on Fridays (4-8pm) and Saturdays (11am-4pm)
- Dec 14 – Salvation Army Bell-Ringing at WalMart
- Dec 17 – Santa Event at Watkins Park
- Dec 17-18 – Holiday Warehouse Book Sale
www.Scholastic.com/bookfairs/events/Kiwanis
- Dec 18 – Weather date for the Christmas Party or regular meeting (survey for Mission statement of MAMS – Diane DeAtley)
- Dec 25 – **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**
- Jan 1 – **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**
- Jan 6 – Board meeting at Bill & President Glee's house, 6:30pm
- Jan 8 – Kiwanis and Say It! Graphics host Greater Mount Airy Chamber of Commerce business card exchange, 4-6pm at the Fire Hall
- Jan 8 – Regular meeting, Jeremy Lichtenstein, KIND (Kids in Need Distributors) founder, will introduce a new service project (Bob Force, Marion Taylor) to be named by our Club
- Jan 22 – Regular meeting, to be announced

Nov 13, 2013 meeting

Greeter – Beth Jacobs

America – Chuck Botts

Pledge to the Flag – Pat Rockinberg

Invocation – Marion Taylor

Guests and program speakers outnumbered the members this evening...what a blessing! Martha had the most visitors and receives a free meal next meeting.

Following dinner President Glee Butts presided.

- Members were reminded to turn in any changes/corrections for the Mount Airy phone book resulting from their contacting the businesses on their lists.
- Jeri Simon mentioned that there are some hotdogs and hamburgers left over from our Westminster fundraiser that may be purchased at cost.

- Angie Moore updated us on the Pancake Breakfast scheduled for Nov 23rd. She still needs some volunteers for 5am setup and 1pm cleanup. Open House guests are welcome to come and see Kiwanians in action!
- Pat Norwood presented flyers (a wish list) and information for Springfield Hospital. Members may purchase Christmas gifts on the list or make monetary donations. Bring your gift/money to our Christmas Party

Bill Butts began our program by asking, “How many of you are glad you live in Mount Airy”? Some of the answers – friendly people, spirit of volunteerism, making a difference...sounds like our Kiwanis Club to me. ☺ We have 32 members and participate in approximately 150-200 projects a year, totaling upwards of 2000 volunteer hours. Since “It’s all about the kids”, members of the youth organizations that we support have been asked to speak this evening and share what they enjoy about their respective organizations.

MAMS Mentor Club advisor Diane DeAtley described the club, in existence for seven years, as having an emphasis on grades, attendance and behavior. She then introduced Will Bogardus, who began our program by expressing what the Mentor Club has meant to him. Mentees are able to develop a meaningful and lasting relationship with an adult other than their parents and teachers and receive additional support as needed.

Jeri Simon, Kiwanis Builders Club advisor, gave us a little insight as to what the club has done so far this year...in October a bulb sale with hand-made posters and in November a “Call for Coats” to be donated for the less fortunate. In December the members will be supporting Springfield Hospital with hygiene supplies.

Kiwanis SLP (Sponsored Leadership Program) Chair Jim Jacobs introduced SCHS Key Club Vice President, Chrystal Yee, and Secretary, Maddie Scalzi. Maddie shared that their club had put together a drive for hygiene and baby items for victims of the typhoon in the Philippines. Chrystal revealed what Key Club has meant to her...service, leadership, and love. This year the club has raised \$180 for the ELIMINATE project.

LHS Key Club advisor, Jeremy Brown, originated the club at Linganore four years ago, and some of those original members are still members today. The club (currently 45 members) participated in Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF and raised over

\$441. Mr. Brown proceeded to introduce LHS Key Club President Matt Raabe and Vice-President Lauren Regulinski. Matt thanked our Kiwanis Club for sponsoring them and providing funds for DCON and Key Leader. He shared that Key Club has helped members to develop and improve fundamental leadership skills and to learn how to serve the community by putting others first before their own needs. Lauren thanked our club for donations made to UNICEF, and revealed that the Key Club was able to get the whole school involved. They will be helping at the Pancake Breakfast and challenged the SCHS Key Club to have more members present than LHS Key Club. They will also be having a Holiday Fiesta with a toy and food drive. In the spring the Key Club will be sponsoring a blood drive and helping with the Twin Ridge cleanup.

Liz Moore, Division 9 Key Club Lt Governor, was introduced by her LHS Key Club advisor and zone administrator (and Mom), Angie Moore. Asked what Key Club is, she informed us that Key Club is an international high school student-led community-based organization AND one big, happy, caring family. As a freshman Liz asked our Mount Airy Kiwanis Club to sponsor a Key Club in her high school Linganore High, and she served as freshman representative. Last year she became the Secretary of her club and this year, Lt Governor of the Division. Key Clubs have raised over \$781,537 this year alone for the ELIMINATE project, have completed over 12 million hours of service, are present in 31 countries, and have more than 260,000 members (more than all the Kiwanis Clubs). But Key Clubs would not exist if it wasn't for the sponsorships of their local Kiwanis Clubs, working side-by-side with them.

Key Leader is a weekend of leadership training paid for by the Kiwanis Club that concentrates on five areas – personal integrity, personal growth, respect, building community, and pursuit of excellence. Kiwanian Jim Jacobs introduced Kayla Blais, SCHS Key Club President and Key Leader participant. Kayla expounded a bit on risk-taking, which was exemplified by a “ropes course” (an obstacle course) to teach each student what it means to believe in yourself and to trust one another. Key Leader grams became treasured souvenirs – messages from other participants to show appreciation, gratitude, caring, etc.

HOBY (Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership) is a seminar/conference (about 3-4 days long) begun in 1958; since then over 350,000 have graduated. The attendees are sophomores selected by their schools to represent them. The 2012 HOBY

participant from SCHS, Theresa Myers, was introduced by President Glee Butts. During the conference, she learned about three types of leadership – personal, group, and community, and about promoting change for the greater good. For hands-on the group helped a local farmer weed and pick vegetables that are given to the homeless weekly.

* Happy Can – Liz Moore

* The 50/50 drawing was won by Nancy Hammond.

* Thought for the Day – Marion Taylor shared a few “senior groaners”. Then, more seriously – always have a couple of aspirin by your bedside in case of chest pains, call 911, call a neighbor(so someone can advise that you’ve taken the aspirin), and do not lie down.

* Next meeting – “Native Americans” by Paul Browne and Jim Jacobs

* Greeter at next meeting – Chuck Botts

* Invocation at next meeting – Bill Butts

* Thought for the Day at next meeting – President Glee

* President Glee adjourned the meeting.

Nov 27, 2013 – meeting

Greeter – Chuck Botts

America – Joan Collins

Pledge to the Flag – Linda Hughes

Invocation – Paul Browne

Guests –Councilman Chris Everich and his son, Robbie, Mary Beth Ruch, and Key Club Lt. Governor Liz Moore

Following dinner President Glee Butts presided.

- President Glee reminded us that the greeter should be here by 6pm so they can help set things up.
- Pat Norwood gave an update on Milt’s under-eye surgery – initially his eyes were swollen shut and he wasn’t very happy, but now he’s doing well.
- President Glee asked that remaining business lists be handed back so that corrections/additions could be made to the 2014-2015 phonebook. Because of our phone calls, fourteen new people signed up as members of the Chamber of Commerce.

- Angie Moore informed us that the Fall Pancake Breakfast served more than 400 people, 21 Kiwanians helped cook and serve and 45 young people assisted.
- Jeri Simon reported that the Christmas sale table netted \$83.
- Pat Norwood reminded us to bring our gifts and/or monetary donations for Springfield Hospital to the next meeting which is our Christmas Party.
- Martha Edmiston passed out flyers for the Christmas Party – the menu and reminders to bring a wrapped gift to exchange with a Kiwanian and our unwrapped gifts/donations for Springfield Hospital. We will play a game or two and sing some Christmas carols.
- Carole Baird passed around the sign-up sheet for Invocation/Thought for the Day/Greeter.
- Bill Butts shared some results about the Open House. There were 25-30 guests that were invited by a number of our members. Many attendees of the Pancake Breakfast were there for the first time because of positive things they had heard from attendees of our Open House.
- President Glee again made a plea for someone to volunteer to be President-Elect.
- Marion Taylor still needs volunteers for Salvation Army bell-ringing and Ice Cream Socials. Please sign up as the sheets are passed around.

Paul Browne, the storyteller, and Jim Jacobs, the visual aid assistant, put together a very impressive program on Native Americans and their culture and beliefs.

“American Indian” has gained the most support among names to use, not “Indian”, not “Redskin”. Casinos are a major point of contention – some want the money (which is distributed within the tribe) and others want nothing to do with them (so they receive no money).

Everything is done in a circle (life is a circle, seasons are a circle, a circle is sacred); a prayer is said when a circle is entered (as in a powwow). North is the “White Giant”, representing the hardships of winter; East is the “Morning Star”, representing a birth or beginning; South is where the summer lives, representing a time for warmth and celebration; West is the Darkness where the Spirits live, representing the after-life.

Clothing (preferably referred to as “Regalia”, not costumes) started out as animal skins, decorated with painting; later beading was added (from Europeans) and

shells were used by those closer to the water. Then cloth came along (again from the Europeans), lighter for summer and easier to work with.

A powwow is a reunion, a party, a celebration. The dancing honors the Great Spirit (the Creator), and the drummers drum for the Creator (the drummer is the heartbeat of Mother Earth). Some of the men's dance styles are Northern Traditional (with a bustle), Southern Straight, Eastern Woodland, and Fancy Dancing (double bustle). In the hands may be a fan, a tomahawk, or a rattle. The ladies' dance styles are Traditional (leather), Cloth (beadwork), Jingle Dress, and Fancy Shawl.

Paul Browne, from the Pokomoke tribe, with assistance from Pat Rockinberg, entertained us with a Southern drum number, and Jim Jacobs closed the program with the American Indian Ten Commandments. Joan Collins presented Pat a gift of a dream-catcher for his drum playing.

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* Thought for the Day – President Glee read an old Cherokee parable about two wolves, representing the fight between good and evil within us. The winner will be the one you “feed”.

At the next meeting there will be a drawing from all the entries of those who attend, bring a gift to exchange, and bring a gift or donation for Springfield Hospital. The winner will receive a free meal at the meeting on December 18th.

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