

Tracking Ashland




Celebrating Our 101st Year

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Empty Bowls



Empty Bowls

Sunday

February 2nd

Oakdale



Happy New Year my fellow Kiwanians!

I hope everyone enjoyed our Christmas Dinner at Birdsong Hall. I want to thank Immediate Past President Bill Hefele for filling in!

We have big plans for 2025 to make it the best year ever for Ashland Kiwanis. We look to grow our membership as well as provide the quality events that people look forward to every year. We continue to be dedicated to improving the lives of children one community at a time.

Our first event of the year is our Empty Bowls dinner to be held at Oakdale on Sunday, Feb 2, 2025. If you haven't bought your tickets to this event, I encourage you to do so before they sell out.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our first meeting in January!

Happy New Year and remember that #KidsNeedKiwanis.

Mike



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We're on the Web

ashlandvakiwanis.org

THE KIWANIS CLUB OF ASHLAND

MEETS 1ST AND 3RD MONDAYS, 6:15 P.M.

ESTES DINING HALL

RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE



This Month's Club Meetings

Monday January 6, 2025 6:15 PM

Topic: Sim Card Swap

Speaker : Alex Halkias, IT Technician, Chesapeake Bank

Meeting in Estes Dining Hall Trustee/Worsham Room

Monday January 20, 2025 6:15 PM

Topic: TBD

Speaker: TBD

Meeting in Estes Dining Hall Trustee/Worsham Room

Monday January 27, 2025 6:30 PM

Club Board of Directors Meeting

All Current Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs please attend

Duncan Memorial Church

COMING EVENTS FOR THE CLUB

Ashland Club Foundation Meeting January 20 5 pm Estes Dining Hall

Empty Bowls February 2 4:30 pm Oakdale

District Mid-Year Conference February 28—March 2 Cambridge, MD

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Annual Empty Bowls Dinner



Empty Bowls

Sunday February 2, 2025

4:30 pm at Oakdale
13497 Ashland Road
Ashland Va 23005

Tickets \$50.00

Only 100 tickets available - Cash Bar

Choose a handmade bowl to fill with soup.
Keep the bowl as a reminder that there are always empty bowls
in the world.

Event sponsor: Cheri Shehane Long and Foster
cheri.shehane@longandfoster.com

Proceeds will benefit W.H.E.A.T. & Kiwanis Club community projects

For ticket information: AshlandvaKiwanis.org
Bill Barga 804-894-2249 or Jenn Inge 804-405-1488

Santa and the Elves' Early Work

The Ashland Kiwanis played Santa throughout the month of December. On December 4, toys for all ages were delivered to Long and Foster on England St. There, Trey Flanagan, son of member Lou Flanagan, accepted the donations on the behalf of Toys-for-Tots.



Giving Santa some time off, items were ordered to fulfill some Amazon Wishlists for Patrick Henry High School (PHHS) students. PHHS Key Club members sponsored the project, and packages were delivered to three deserving students by Santa's elves.



On December 20, Santa made his final stop to Patrick Henry High School to deliver non-perishable foods donated by Kiwanians. The canned/boxed foods will be used to stock the PHHS Key Club's food pantry.

Ms. Meredith Holder, Key Club's sponsor, was there to accept the donation.



Santa and his elves had a good time representing the Club, but are tired, and heading back to the North Pole until December 24th, then back to work again, an all-nighter!

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Holiday Dinner

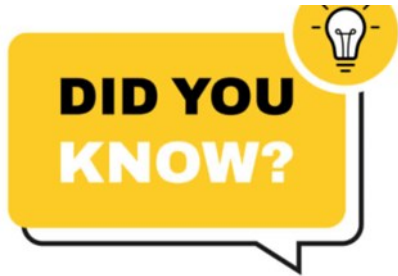
*Our last meeting of 2024 was very festive dinner meeting
in the Dalton Family Dining Room in Birdsong Hall.*

Good Friends, Good Food, Good Fellowship





News from the Web Site



Our Website (www.ashlandvakiwanis.org) **does** contain pictures of some 2024 events!

We did have many changes to our website in March when we moved from Portalbuzz website software to MemberDay and Word Press software. However, we did make provision for members to view pictures taken at some of our events after they were displayed in our newsletter (*Tracking Ashland*).

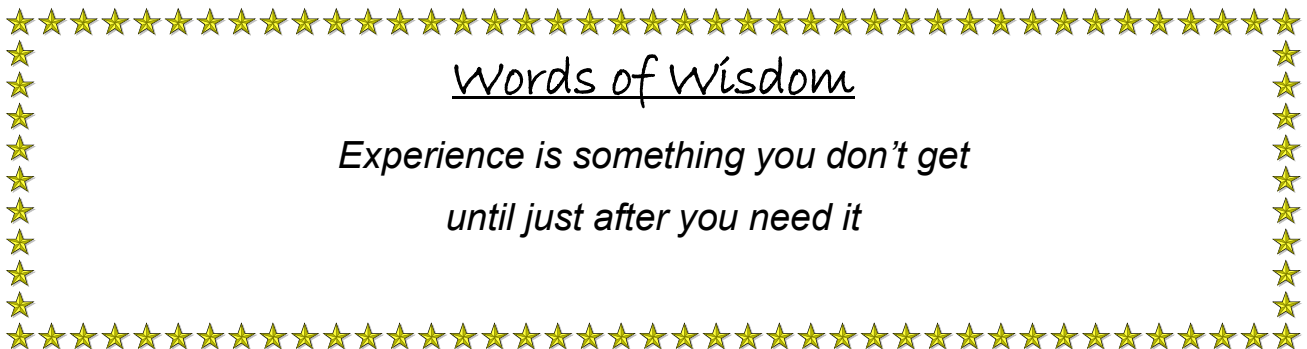
Currently, in the "members only" area of our website, we do have pictures taken at the following events:

- June 1st - Strawberry Faire*
- June 3rd - Steak Dinner*
- June 22nd - Karwanis*
- December 16 - Holiday Dinner*

To view these pictures (and subsequent additions):

- Log into the "members only" portion of our website*
- Click on the "files" section*
- Click on the "pictures" area*
- Click on the appropriate event area*
- Click on the pictures you desire to view*

Happy Viewing!



Words of Wisdom

*Experience is something you don't get
until just after you need it*

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2024/2026

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Kiwanis Club of Ashland Standing Committees

Atkon Club — Suzanne DuBose
Anthem LemonAid — John Hodges
Ashland Train Day — John Hodges
BBQ — PJ Edmonds
Casino Royale-Suzanne DuBose
Dinner Meeting Raffle — Bill Barga
Eliminate Coordinator — Berry Wright
FB/Instagram—Mike Fonseca & Suzanne DuBose
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House Committee—John Myers
Interclub Committee—Art Bykonen
Kar-Wanis Car Show— Roy Mills
Membership & Education — Art Bykonen
Newsletter —Ranny Robertson
Parade — Ranny Robertson & John Myers
Perfect Attendance Program--Kyle Hendricks
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Quartermaster — Larry Ham
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Scholarship Committee –Bill Hefele
Service Leadership Programs—Roy Mills
Speakers —Troy Aronhalt & Charlie Peterson
Steak Dinner — PJ Edmonds & Larry Ham
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