

# Tracking Ashland



Monthly Newsletter of the Ashland Virginia Kiwanis Club

*Don't Forget.....*

**Steak Night  
June 1st**



**Federal Club**



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### President's Column



May was certainly a very busy month. We started off with Train day and then moved on to the Kar-Wanis car show and then finished with the Arc golf tournament. The weather was very good for all three of them. A little cloudy on train day. A beautiful day for car show and ready hot for the golf outing, but we were able to get them all in and they were all very successful.

Thanks again to Steve Harrison, who led the the Arc golf tournament. Steve was nice enough to let the Kiwanis Club participate in the tournament and we will be raising some funds from that event.

In this newsletter you will see that we have two new members, Anita Barnhart and Lauren McCray. The good news about having new members is we get new volunteers. I'm happy to announce that Anita will be the advisor for the new Builders Club at Liberty Middle School and Lauren has volunteered to help with the Terrific Kids and K Kids at the Ashland Elementary School along with Laura Dillard one of our other new members from earlier in the year.

Thanks again for their help. The last item is be sure to come out to the June 1st steak dinner at the Federal Club. This is always a great time and we'd love to see a nice crowd.

Take care and as June rolls in, we'll be talking about the 250th anniversary of our nation and how the Kiwanis Club can help celebrate this event

Take Care, Bill

## Visit our Web Site




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**THE KIWANIS CLUB OF ASHLAND**  
**MEETS 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 3RD MONDAYS, 6:15 PM**  
**ESTES DINING HALL    RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE**

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## This Month's Club Meetings

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**Monday**                      **June 1, 2026**                      **6:00 PM**

*Note Location*                      *Steak Night*  
   *Federal Club*

**13450 Palmers Way, Glen Allen, 23059**

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**Monday**                      **June 15, 2026**                      **6:15 PM**

*Speaker: Erin Hardesty,*  
*Foster Parent Recruiter with Embrace Treatment Foster Care*

**Meeting in Estes Dining Hall    Trustee/Worsham Room**

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**Monday**                      **June 22, 2026**                      **6:30 PM**

**Club Board of Directors Meeting**

*All current Officers, Directors and Committee Chairs please attend*

**Duncan Memorial Church**

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## Coming Events for the Club

*Charitable Foundation Board Meeting*                      *July 20*                      *5pm*                      *Estes Dining Hall*

*ICON*                      *June 25-27*                      *Manila, Philippines*

## New Member

**Please Welcome our Newest Member**

**Anita Barnhart**



Preferred name: Anita

Spouse: Mark Christie

Occupation: Retired Educator and Ashland Town Council Member

Home: Ashland

What are your hobbies or spare time activities: Drawing, especially plants, bird watching and adopting greyhound dogs.

Other interesting facts: I grew up on a farm in southern Michigan. I am passionate about helping kids and I look forward to to being a part of this service organization.

Email: [anitabarnhart283@gmail.com](mailto:anitabarnhart283@gmail.com)



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New Member

Please Welcome our Newest Member

*Lauren McCray*

*Satellite Club Member*



Preferred Name: Lauren  
Spouse: Duane McCray  
Occupation: Henrico County Public Schools  
Home: Ashland

What are your hobbies or spare time activities: Walking the dog.

Other interesting facts: Her degrees are BA in Psychology and a Master's in Teaching Exceptional Education. Her training involves youth mentoring. She is a previous Key Club member.

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## Aktion Club Event

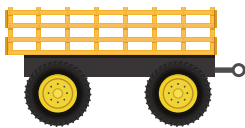


*Despite the rain canceling the Aktion Club's May 11<sup>th</sup> outdoor project, we still made the day count by preparing treats for dogs to be taken to Animal Control. We were also glad to welcome new member, John Morel, who fit right in and was a huge help from the start.*

*Our next project, scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup>, will be displaying 250 flags at ARC of Hanover. Looking forward to another meaningful day of service and community support.*



## Parade Committee Help Needed



**Your parade committee is in need of at least a 24-foot trailer or low boy to carry our Perfect Attendance children and their parents in this year's parade. Do you have any connections or sources for a trailer and motive power who would be available for a couple of hours on Sunday November 22?**

**Please see John or Ranny with any contact information.  
We really can't wait until the last minute.**

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## KarWanis Car Show

### Kiwanis Club of Ashland Fifth Annual KarWanis Car Show

Many Thanks to our Sponsors  
Max's Tire Pro  
A.C. Wow  
Dr. William Hefele



People's Choice Award:  
Robby Stokes 1964 Ford Falcon  
Sprint



Mac's Tire Pro Award:  
Claibourne Jackson 1962 Cadillac  
Eldorado



A. C. Wow Award:  
Kevin Lane  
1952 Ford Coupe



Dr. William Hefele Award:  
Stephon Bethane  
2025 Chevrolet Corvette

Class Winners.. See Next Page

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## KarWanis Class Winners Photos



**Class A '69 and Older  
Modified  
Tim Lindley  
1969 Ford Bronco**



**Class B '69 and Older  
Stock  
Oscar Jorgenson  
1969 Chevrolet Chevelle**



**Class C '70-'95  
Stock  
Chris Carter  
1970 Chevrolet Chevelle**



**Class D '70-'95  
Modified  
Larry Baldwin  
1972 Chevrolet Super Sport**



**Class E '96 and Newer  
Stock  
Ivory Brown  
2023 Chevrolet Corvette**



**Class F '96 and Newer  
Modified  
Anthony Gordon  
2019 Chevrolet Corvette**



**Motorcycle Class  
Dart Lofton  
2019 Harley Davidson Trike**

**These are the Class Winners among  
the 60 plus entries.**

**Many THANKS to all who  
participated and brought these fine  
vehicles to our show**

## Teacher Appreciation Week Teacher Lunch for Liberty Middle School

On Monday May 4th, the Ashland Kiwanis Club cooked and served burgers and dogs for the 142 teachers and staff at Liberty Middle School. It was a big success and truly appreciated, to celebrate teacher appreciation week. We utilized the leftover beverages, chips, hot dog chili and condiments from Train Day, supplemented with \$350 of burgers, dogs, and buns purchased for today's event.

The teamwork and camaraderie from Train Day carried over to make this event fun for all of us. We had a beautiful shady spot with great weather. Special thanks to our volunteers.



**Liberty Lunch Crew**

Thank You Note from Happy Reading Program (Angie Miles)

May 16, 2026  
Ashland Kiwanis

Thank you so much for thinking of us.

This is a much-delayed note of appreciation for your annual gift to our non-profit. We have expansion news on the horizon. I look forward to sharing that soon! Thank you,  
Angie Miles

## Words of Wisdom

Doing nothing is very hard  
because you never know when you are  
finished



## Thank You Note from Little Hands



3707 Saunders Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23227

LITTLE HANDS  
virginia

February 20, 2026

Ashland Kiwanis Charitable Foundation  
Attn: Ranny Robertson, Jr.  
PO Box 2045  
Ashland, VA 2305-5045

Dear Danny,

We'd like to thank Ashland Kiwanis Charitable Foundation for their donation of \$1,000.00. This contribution will be put to immediate use to ensure babies have the essentials they need to grow and thrive.

Diapers are more than just a convenience; they are a basic necessity for the health and well-being of infants, babies, and toddlers. However, it is disheartening to know that nearly 1 in 2 families struggle to afford an adequate supply of diapers for their little ones.

This is where Ashland Kiwanis Charitable Foundation's incredible generosity steps in, making a world of difference.

**Ashland Kiwanis Charitable Foundation will have a lasting impact on the lives of countless families, enabling them to provide their young children with the essentials needed from birth.**

Once again, thank you for your thoughtful support!

With heartfelt appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Taylor Keeney".

Taylor Keeney  
Founder & Executive Director

A handwritten note in black ink that says "Thank you so much!".

Little Hands Virginia (Tax ID# 84-1904601) acknowledges that no goods or services were provided in exchange for your thoughtful gift of \$1,000.00 received on 2/12/2026. Thank you for your generosity!



And There's Good News

## Kiwanis Builders Club<sup>®</sup> Building Leaders



### Liberty Middle School Home of the Eagles

Our new Liberty Middle School Builders Club is now officially chartered by Kiwanis International and Hanover County Schools. The new club will begin meeting at the start of the upcoming school year. The Builder Club faculty advisor at Liberty will be Avanti Yamamoto, and the Kiwanis Advisor from our club will be Anita Barnhart. Congratulations to all involved, and we look forward to a wonderful start for the club this coming fall.



Thank You Avanti and Anita

# Patrick Henry High School

# KeyClub



### Ashland Parade



### Deck the Halls with Hanover Safe Place



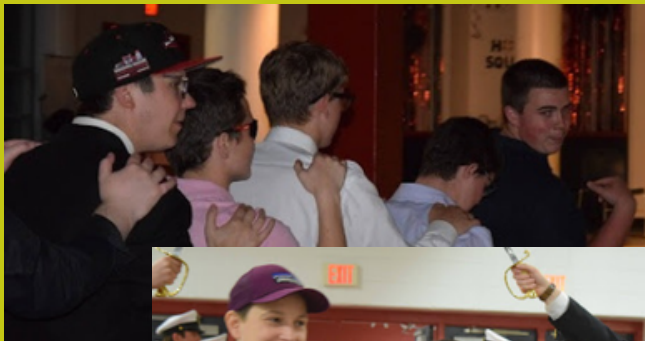
### Valentine's Cards for assisted living



### Promposal Bouquets



### Fusion Formal



And more...

Trunk or Treat, Chipotle Fundraiser,  
Volunteer at KarWanis Show

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## Club Officers 2025/2026

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2024/2026

2025/2027

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Cheri Shehane  
PJ Edmonds  
Pam Sopall

John Hartman  
Suz Morrison  
Roy Mills  
Mike Carter

## Foundation Officers

PRESIDENT

Mike Carter

VICE PRESIDENT

George Smith

TREASURER

Ranny Robertson

SECRETARY

Ed Hutchinson

## Foundation Directors

Don August

Mike Kelly

Jody Korman

John Dwyer

Bill Hamner

Bill Barga

## Kiwanis Club of Ashland Standing Committees

Aktion Club — Suzanne DuBose

Anthem LemonAid — Bill Barga

Ashland Train Day — PJ Edmonds

BBQ — PJ Edmonds

Club Satellite — Bill Barga

Dinner Meeting Raffle — Mike Snavely

Empty Bowls — Bill Barga

Food Drive — Suz Morrison & Suzanne DuBose

Fund Raising Committee — Bill Barga

Holiday Parade — Ranny Robertson/John Myers

House Committee—John Myers

Interclub Committee—

Kar-Wanis Car Show— Roy Mills

Membership & Education — Bill Hefe

Newsletter —Ranny Robertson

Perfect Attendance Program--Kyle Hendricks

PR/FB/Instagram—Mike Fonseca/Suzanne DuBose

Quartermaster — Larry Ham

Reading Mentors — Michael Kelly

Scholarship Committee –Bill Hefe

Service Leadership Programs—Roy Mills

Speakers —Troy Aronhalt & Charlie Peterson

Steak Dinner — PJ Edmonds & Larry Ham

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