



# Kiwaniis Club of Raleigh

June 2023

Newsletter

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## Programs

Meetings are held at Highland UMC in the Bradley Center. Lunch is served starting at 12 noon. Meeting portion will start around 12:40 p.m. Bring a guest!

- 4-Aug Loretta Boniti, Charter Comm.  
The Current Political Climate
- 11-Aug Meredith College Golf Team  
Playing Golf With Determination
- 18-Aug David Brower, Exec Director  
Pine Cones, Traditional Music Preservation
- 25-Aug Judge Jefferson Griffin  
NC Court of Appeals

## Mark Your Calendar!



**July/August: Food Drive (see below)**

**August 18-20: Annual Convention Carolinas District in Charlotte**

**September 1: No meeting, Labor Day Observed**  
**September 1:** Notice of Foundation annual meeting and election in newsletter

**September 21:** Past Presidents Luncheon

**September 29:** Installation of new club officers and directors

**October 12:** Milburnie Night!



## **DONATE BY CHECK**

Payable to: *Urban Ministries of Wake Co*  
Mail to: *Hugh Grist*  
3402 Lake Boone Tr  
Raleigh, NC 27607



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KIWANIS CLUB OF RALEIGH

## Fight Summer Hunger Food Drive

There are more than 130,000 who identify as food insecure in Wake county. Make an impact on your neighbor's lives through a donation to Urban Ministries of Wake County's food pantry. Each recipient receives a week's worth of groceries, including a variety of fresh produce, shelf-stable pantry essentials and frozen meats.

**\$30 feeds a family of 4 for a week.**

# DONATE ONLINE



## Kiwanis Food Drive Continued....

### A Note from Urban Ministries–

The pandemic persists, particularly among historically marginalized populations. The recession disproportionately affects our neighbors in need. Jobs in the service industry, retail, and hospitality have been slow return. Inflation - especially food inflation running at 13% - challenges our families. Supply chain issues affect our sourcing of food and medical supplies. Eviction, gentrification, and soaring rental costs exacerbate a crisis in affordable housing.

*The news is bad. Our response is heart-warming.*

We are feeding more families than ever in our history with fresh and nutritious meat, milk, eggs, fruit, and vegetables and, yes, some boxes and cans. **We give healthy food boxes to 80, even 100 families, Monday thru Thursday each week.**

If you want to be involved in our mission, consider donating to our Summer Hunger Challenge. The *4 Others Foundation* challenged UMWC to raise \$25,000 by Aug 31, 2023 and if we meet our goal they will match the funds to support our Food Pantry.

**\$50,000 funds our whole pantry program for almost 3 months!**

## Moose Tracks Ice Cream 10,000 Scoop Challenge

Team Kiwanis represented our club well! They participated in the Moose Track Ice Cream 10,000 Scoop Challenge to benefit the Salvation Army. On June 20 they helped scoop free ice cream. The Salvation Army received \$1 for every ice cream scoop! With our help, they were able to reach their goal of receiving \$10,000!

Thank you to Cricket Harrell (for organizing), Cricket's husband Glen, Alice Garland, Robbie Wooten, Gwen Vass, Gwen's sister Sharon Daniels and Jaedon and Jaxson Olson who were the Moose Tracks Mascot (friends of Cricket and Glen)



A note from Salvation Army...

*Cricket and Glen*

*I can not find the words to say thank you enough for all of your hard work in organizing and volunteering the Raleigh Kiwanis group to come and volunteer with us and getting us over the top to meet our goal of 10,000 Scoops for \$10,000.00. The weather did not help, but you all made it happen!*

*Your team was amazing. Jaeden and Jaxon were fantastic and were the best Mascots that Moose Track could ever have....thank you, thank you, such an amazing team.*

*I wanted to mention Glen did a great job with keeping the water off of our heads as the rain built up in the top of the tents.....such a great successful day.*

**Rosemary Weber  
Volunteer Manager**



## A Note from Buck

It's hard to believe that 10 months have passed since I started arranging programs for Kiwanis. This is a difficult task but it is enjoyable.

In August, we continue our series of speakers designed to inform you about our community. On August 4, Loretta Bonita, senior political reporter for Spectrum News and the host of "In Focus with Loretta Boniti" spoke on "Unbiased Political Coverage in the Age of Rage and Ranting." This was a great program from one of the area's top political reporters.

On August 14, Sarah Marshall and Maycee Aycok of the Meredith College Golf Team will speak to us. Their story was in Golf Digest this summer. These 2 young ladies went out for the Meredith Golf Team even though they were "bad golfers." They made the team despite having a horrible game history. Their story is inspiring and will motivate you to try your best at any sport or endeavor. Come here their presentation: "Playing Golf with Determination."

On August 18, the Kiwanis Club will welcome David Brower, the Executive Director of Pine Cone, a local organization that promotes "traditional music" and sponsors the annual Blue Grass Festival downtown. This weekend event (coming up in a few short weeks) brings thousands to downtown Raleigh and generated millions of dollars of revenue for our economy. Come hear what to expect at this year's festival.

On August 25, our own member Phil Kirk will demonstrate his fantastic recovery from a broken hip as he presents "Humorous Events in K-12, the Governor's Office and the Legislature." This is his latest speech pulled together from actual experience as Chairman of the State Board of Education and knowing 10 Governors. Come prepared to laugh and learn.

Thanks to everyone for all the suggestions for programs. If I have not used your suggestion, I have passed it on to our incoming Vice President June Small, who will contact you about the programs beginning in October.

Best Wishes  
Buck Lattimore

## Gov. Christopher L. White Change the Future Campaign

June and July 2023 ..... not recorded  
October 2022 – July 2023 ..... \$673.53  
Campaign-to-date ..... \$32,686.35

All members are invited to make a donation equal to the number of years they are celebrating for this year's birthday!

Please make your check payable to the:  
**Raleigh Kiwanis Foundation, Inc**

**Cash is fine too!**



## **Kiwanis International Convention 2023**

Delegates at the 2023 International Convention in Minneapolis did **NOT** vote to approve a dues increase for the 2023-2024 year.

Carolinas District delegates will be voting mid-August to determine a dues increase for our district. Stay tuned!





## August Birthdays

- |                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 2 Harry Walker   | 12 Laura Bromhal   |
| 2 Kevin Benedict | 13 Sam Carothers   |
| 5 Sid Eagles     | 14 Howard Hadley   |
| 7 Don Suchy      | 18 Travis Leager   |
| 7 Stuart Phoenix | 21 Mike Uhland     |
| 7 Josh Hargens   | 23 Cricket Harrell |
| 10 Harold Panel  | 29 Hugh Stevens    |
| 11 David Donnal  |                    |

## Membership Welfare

Thank you for the prayers for Courtney’s husband. A partial hip replacement and radiation have irradiated his pain and given him mobility back! Chemo begins mid August.

## Share past meetings with Family and Friends

Catch up on what you missed at the new Raleigh Kiwanis YouTube channel.

Click [HERE](#) to view past meetings.



## Monthly Volunteer Needs

Don’t forget that we have needs for volunteers each month. Help with Friday greeters, Salvation Army Soup Kitchen help and food delivery after the Friday meetings.

Please visit our Sign-Up Genius site to see up-to-date needs.

[Sign Up HERE](#)

## **Kiwanis Club of Raleigh**

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Raleigh NC 27602  
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### **Meetings**

Fridays 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.  
Highland United Methodist Church  
1901 Ridge Road  
Raleigh NC 27607

### **Newsletter**

Interim Editor: Courtney Allen

## **Club Officers and Directors 2022-2023**

President..... Stacy Askew  
President-Elect..... Buck Lattimore  
Secretary..... Courtney Allen  
Treasurer..... John Collar  
Immediate Past President... Sandra Birckhead

Directors 2020-2023... Randy Hartley  
Leslie Jones  
Stuart Phoenix

Directors 2021-2024... Hugh Grist  
Bill Whitley  
Meredith Little

Directors 2019-2022... Robert Cooper  
Hampton Fields  
Travis Wiggs

## **Foundation Officers and Directors 2023**

President..... June Small  
Vice President..... Amy Funderburk  
Secretary..... Gwen Vass  
Treasurer..... Brian Bennett

Directors 2021-2023... Cricket Harrell  
George Ramsay  
June Small

Directors 2022-2024... Amy Funderburk  
Michael Moore  
Chip Winstead

Directors 2023-2025... Phil Kirk  
Rocky Strickland  
Gwen Vass

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