



Kiwanis Club of Raleigh

December 2023

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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!

- 15-Dec: **Kidznotes:** Holiday Music/Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest
- 22-Dec: **No meeting**
- 29-Dec: **No meeting**

Mark Your Calendar!



- Dec 14: Boys and Girls Clubs Christmas Party**
- Dec 19: Kiwanis Club of Raleigh Board Meeting**
- Dec 22: No Meeting**
- Dec 29: No Meeting**
- Feb 2: Foundation Grantee Program**
- Feb 10: Midyear Convention, Carolinas District:**
Research Triangle, Doubletree RDU

Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army

A group of Aktion Club members (one of our SLP's) and club members took time out of their Saturday to assist the Salvation Army in donation collection. These dedicated volunteers rang the bell, greeted customers and enjoyed each other's fellowship.

Thank you to our volunteers and to Cricket Harrell for coordinating our group.



The Raleigh Kiwanis Foundation

The Raleigh Kiwanis Foundation began functioning in 1947 and was incorporated in 1954. Since 1955, grants totaling at least \$1,252,625 have been distributed to at least 90 different organizations, primarily to help children in Wake County. The data for several years is missing, but this is the best estimate of donations.

The foundation assets have grown from about \$540,000 in 2009 to \$935,293.01 as of Sept 30, 2023.

This year, fourteen applicants were identified as grant recipients at the November Foundation Board meeting. The total recommended for grants was \$43,870 and was passed unanimously by the board. Should the amount available for awards differ from the approved amount, the board will review the funds in January and make necessary adjustments. The grant recipients will be invited to the February 2, 2024 Club meeting, and checks will be presented then.

The foundation recommended that Tanner Crawford, Martin Green, and Wes Tripp be approved to serve three-year terms as directors beginning in January 2024. The Club voted and approved their membership at their October 6 meeting.

To: Directors & Officers, Kiwanis Club of Raleigh

From: Buck Lattimore, President

Subject: Major Committees of the Board of Directors

I have appointed members for three Major Committees for our Kiwanis Club Board of Directors. I have added a club officer and longtime member to each committee to provide insight and be a resource to each committee. Committees may ask other Kiwanians to join the committee (but limit total members to no more than 9). There will be other committees appointed to handle the operation of our club. But these three (3) committees represent our most pressing concerns.

I will appreciate your service and active involvement on your committee. I am asking the chairman of each committee to meet by telephone, zoom or in person with your committee before our scheduled December Board Meeting to devise a plan to carry out your mission.

RECRUITMENT—to devise ways to reach out to potential members and bring them into our club.

- Hugh Grist, Chairman
- Robert Cooper
- Cynthia Ball
- Stacy Askew (club officer)
- KC Ramsey (club member)

MAJOR PROJECTS – to devise projects or events that will excite our membership and help us build our club.

- Nathan Brown, Chairman
- Meredith Little
- Hampton Fields
- June Small (club officer)
- Nick Fountain (club member)

FUNDRAISING – to devise ways or improve existing fundraising or programs to excite our members and build our club.

- Bill Whitley, Chairman
- Travis Wiggs
- Jason Tyson
- John Collar (club officer)
- Phil Kirk (club member)

Thanks for your service and commitment to build our Kiwanis Club.

Raleigh Kiwanis Foundation (continued)

The Christopher L. White Change the Future, a Club fundraising project, which generates funds for the Foundation through birthday checks and spare change dropped into the collection jar, provided \$1,203.10 in donations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.

The 2023 Raleigh Kiwanis Golf Classic raised net funds of \$7,755.28 for the foundation (gross proceeds of \$13,396.00 - \$5,640.72 of expenses). Andy Wood (Chair), the players, sponsors, donors, and volunteers were thanked for their contribution to making this event a success.

In addition to the above fundraising efforts, Club members are asked to give to the Christopher L. White Change the Future program and to remember the Raleigh Kiwanis Foundation when identifying bequests in their wills.

The foundation officers and directors were thanked for their service throughout the year. Cricket Harrell, George Ramsay, and June Small are coming off the board at the end of 2023. Brian Bennett was thanked for his continuing service as Treasurer, and Paul Reynolds of Triangle Securities was thanked for managing the investment account.

Membership Welfare

Please keep Don Suchy in your thoughts as he recovers from pneumonia.

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Jeff Allen, husband of Courtney has undergone his stem cell transplant and is doing good. Please keep them both in your prayers.

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Approximately 25 Kiwanians attended the funeral of Mike Dodd at the First Baptist Church in Raleigh. Thanks to all of you as we continue to pray and support the Dodd family.

We pray for the health and well being of all our members and their families. If you become aware of a membership welfare concern or celebration, please let Courtney know at: secraleighkiwanis@gmail.com



December Birthdays

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|----|------------------|----|-----------------|
| 2 | John Collar | 12 | Bob Goodale |
| 3 | Art Raymond | 13 | Tim Parker |
| 3 | Roger Smith | 14 | Paul Hoover III |
| 6 | Franklin Munford | 18 | Mel Broughton |
| 6 | Dascheil Propes | 19 | Martha Rippard |
| 8 | Chris White | 29 | Amy Funderburk |
| 9 | Richard Smith | 29 | Jeff Meddin |
| 11 | Chuck Neely | | |

Surveys Distributed!

Check your email inboxes

During last week’s weekly meeting, we held an in-depth discussion on our budget. As mentioned, we have a survey that we ask each of you to complete. It is important to us that we hear from you before any decisions are made regarding dues, meals, etc. An email was sent out on Dec. 9 with a link to the survey in it. Please fill out the survey by Sunday, Dec. 17 and make your opinions known. We greatly value this input!



Bring Your Ugliest Christmas Sweater!

This Friday, December 15, we will have an Ugly Sweater Contest during the program. Wear your ugliest sweater and compete to win a prize!

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Meetings

Fridays 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
Highland United Methodist Church
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Newsletter

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Club Officers and Directors 2023-2024

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

Directors 2021-2024...	Hugh Grist Bill Whitley Meredith Little
Directors 2022-2025...	Robert Cooper Hampton Fields Travis Wiggs
Directors 2023-2026...	Cynthia Ball Nathan Brown Jason Tyson

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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