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Date		Program
4/7	Mon	Board Night -
4/12	Sat	Division 18/24 Council Meeting.
4/12	Sat	Kiwanis Club of Hopewell Pig Roast. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Appomattox Street and Library Street
4/14	Mon	Regular Meeting - Program: Cindy Shelton-Chesterfield Health District of Va. Dept of Health (emergency preparedness).
4/18-20	Fri-Sun	Key Club District Convention in Richmond, VA. Contact: Joe Stankus
4/21	Mon	Regular Meeting - Program: Greg Baker (Operation Smile).
4/26	Sat	Williamsburg Kiwanis 50th Anniversary Celebration, details to be provided. Contact: Hugh Siggins.
4/26	Sat	The Little-Big Adventure #1 - Pocahontas State Park, Chesterfield, VA
4/28	Mon	Regular Meeting - Program: Nathaniel "Mac" Collier (Estate Law).
5/5	Mon	Board Night - Mexican Hat Night - Cinco de Mayo
5/12	Mon	Regular Meeting - TBA
5/19	Mon	Regular Meeting - TBA
5/30	Fri	Chester Kiwanis Spring Fling, 04:00 PM - 08:30 PM, John Tyler Community College, 13101 Jefferson Davis Hwy Chester, VA
Meetings are held on Monday Nights at Rite Aid Drug store in Chester at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted. Contact this quarter's Program Chair Dave Elswick with suggestions.		



President Jay



PRESIDENT'S VIEW

Spring Has Sprung

One of my favorite times of year has arrived. A time of the year that makes me think about new life. Our club is strong and vibrant and well respected in the Chester community. After being a member for quite a few years I realize this did not come to us overnight and we must constantly be vigilant and strive to maintain our

status in our locale. Our club does a wonderful job of this. When I am out and about I am always on the receiving end of compliments about our club. My sincere hope is to pass this good fortune on to our future leaders. We will do this by:

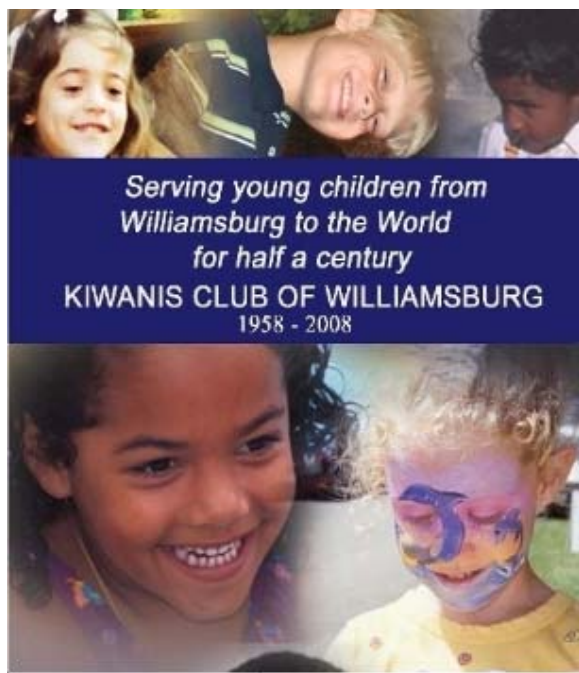
- Always letting others know we serve community
- Always letting others know we serve children
- Always letting others know we serve youth
- Always letting others know of our financial support
- Always letting others know that we welcome others
- Always letting others know that we have fun.

Thanks for the wonderful year. I am proud of what we are doing.

Jay

Be sure to support our fellow Kiwanis clubs in their fundraising efforts.

Now here's a new idea for selling tickets!



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Anniversaries and Birthdays	
Anniversaries	
David and Teresa Duncan	5/22
Joe & Susanne Hillier	5/23
Birthdays	
Tony Flores	5/5
Rick Dodson	5/22



Cake and ice cream were served at the April Board Meeting in celebration of the club's 36th anniversary of Kiwanis Club of Chester Organization on March 28, 2008



Dues are Overdue – If you have not paid, please see Bob Cassada today!

Spring Fling **2020**

Tickets are out. Joan Benton is asking each member to pick up at least 20 tickets to sell for our upcoming Spring Fling concert. Tickets are now available for sale online for \$20. Joan also has Spring Fling Flyers; if you need one, please contact her or pick one up at our next meeting.

Hopewell Kiwanis Pig Roast

April 12, 2007
5 - 9 p.m.
Appomattox &

Mexican Hat Night May 5th Board Night

Cinco de Mayo ("5th of May" in English) is primarily a regional and not an obligatory federal holiday in Mexico. The date

is observed in the United States and other locations around the world as a celebration of Mexican heritage and pride. The holiday commemorates an initial victory of Mexican forces led by General Ignacio Zaragoza Seguín over **French forces** in the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862.

A common misconception in the United States is that Cinco de Mayo is Mexico's Independence Day; Mexico's Independence Day is actually September 16 which is the most important national patriotic holiday in Mexico.

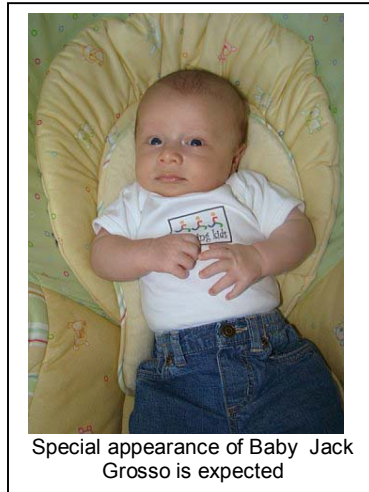
Little-Big Adventure Volunteers Needed

Pocahontas State Park
April 26th



Adult/child teams compete in a 1/2 mile canoe, 3.5 mile trail bike & 1.5 mile run!

A complimentary lunch will be provided for all race participants and volunteers. Spectators can purchase food as well. There will be a number of sponsor booths and activities near the finish area.



Special appearance of Baby Jack Grosso is expected

A portion of proceeds will benefit the Coalition for Active Children (COACH). COACH is a non-profit organizations whose mission is to promote a healthy future for children and their families in Chesterfield County

through education and awareness about the lifelong benefits of increased physical activity and good nutrition. The coalition leverages community resources to address healthy lifestyles.

In order to make each event a success we need dedicated volunteers to assist with set-up, course marshalling, timing and tear-down. All volunteers will receive t-shirt & free lunch. It is an incredibly rewarding experience! Please contact **Arax Mitchell** at 804-897-5707 or araxseta@mac.com if interested.





Distinguished Member Award

The Club President will verify members that qualify for Distinguished Member. To qualify, club members must:

- Recruit two (2) new members.
- Attend either a Mid-Winter Conference or District Convention. Equivalent meeting may be K University, Zone or Regional Conference, or other opportunity provided by district.
- Participate in six (6) Kiwanis service efforts.

Distinguished Member Awards:

Club members who are awarded distinguished will receive a lapel pin and recognition at the 2009 Kiwanis International Convention.

Youth Services

Our Kiwanis Hats are off to our youth service leaders for surviving another successful year of community service through our involvement with Key Club, Keyettes, Terrific Kids and other programs. Members who attended the Thomas Dale Key Club end of Year Banquet, or any of the Key Club officer's visits to our meetings, had to be impressed with the projects they completed this year. Keyettes and Terrific Kids programs continue to provide leadership opportunities and build self-esteem among our youth.



"The Capital District Key Club Board is preparing the **2008 Capital District Key Club Convention** at the Richmond Marriott, Richmond, Virginia to be held April 18- 20, 2008. The Richmond

Marriott staff is working along with the District Board to make the convention an outstanding event. Tentative plans for the weekend include a "get acquainted" dance on Friday evening. The committee is planning several motivational programs, informational forums, and other 'fun' activities on Saturday including a walk for 'Nothing but Nets'. The Governor's Gala Dinner and Dance on Saturday night will be a highlight of the convention.

"The highlight of the opening session will be the keynote program of David Parker, a well known motivational speaker, who will speak on the magical message of friendship. David will also be giving 2 programs for students on Saturday. Last year's format of an entire curriculum for adult advisors will be repeated with a different cast of characters!

"After the Saturday morning General Session, there will be several forum and workshops conducted by District Board members. Students will be able to participate in the oratorical, essay and talent contests. There will be an outdoor walk to promote the 'Nothing but Nets' project followed by a Pizza lunch at no charge. In addition to the motivational and educational experiences of the convention, attendees will be involved in the election of the 2007-2008 District Officers. Award winners will be announced for the various individual and club competitions that will be judged during the convention at the Governor's Gala on Saturday night." *Source: Capital District Key Club website*

Izza-what?
Div 18/24 Council Meeting
Sat. April 12

So ... what's this about a council meeting?

"There are 22 Divisions in the Capital District; divisions are headed up by a Lieutenant Governor who is elected to serve one Kiwanis administrative year. The Lieutenant Governor is responsible for the management of clubs within his/her division and reports directly to the District Governor. Divisions are made up of individual clubs in a close geographic area within the District. Divisions consist of between 4 and 14 Kiwanis clubs. Clubs within a division are encouraged to schedule and convene Interclubs among all other division clubs to promote fellowship and division camaraderie.

Periodic **Division Council Meetings** which consist, as a minimum, of all club presidents and secretaries within the Division(s), provide excellent opportunities for sharing and promoting information on intra-divisional matters; the council also conducts the business of the division(s)."

Steve Miles for details