

The Abingdon Kiwanian

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We meet at 7:00 this morning at the Senior Center

A weekly publication of news, information and images from the Kiwanis Club of Abingdon, Virginia

Jeff Wolff Wants to Be Our Governor

A 39-year-old Kiwanis leader from Northern Virginia has qualified as a candidate for Capital District Governor-Elect. If he is chosen and eventually serves as Governor, Jeff will be one of the youngest persons to hold this top office. His day job is VP, US Operations & Technical Director for a Chicago area-based software developer. Jeff has an impressive agenda that will be discussed later.



Jeffrey Wolff

We Will Meet Again!

Snow got us again last week, which means your club has not met for three weeks. But this is lucky Tuesday. Be there!

This Week's Program

Welcome New Members



Don Dudey & Young Friend

Ten new members joined our club last year and in the first quarter of this year, but none of them has been inducted.

Capital District Governor Don Dudey is coming to Abingdon from his home in Maryland to formally induct these mem-

bers and talk to them (and us) about Kiwanis and its work – both in the District and worldwide.

Unfortunately, one of these new members had to leave the club before she could be inducted: **Ashley Johnson**, our Abingdon High Key Club Sponsor, took a new teaching job in Bristol this month. The other nine and when they joined are:

David Jordan (Feb 09)

Gary Lester (Apr 09)

Robert Warren (May 09)

Kathy Tickle (Jun 09)

Jason Willis (Jun 09)

Pylynn Virankabuttra (Sep 09)

Matthew Connors (Sep 09)

Gordon Munsey (Nov 09)

Ralph Kidd (Nov 09)

Every member should be at this meeting to hear our Governor and give a belated and hearty welcome to these new members. **See you there!**

January Board Meeting

Member survey is coming

What do you like about your club? What could be improved or, in your opinion, eliminated. What should we do that we are not? Kiwanis recommends that clubs survey their members regularly to answer these and other questions. It has been a few years since this club conducted a member survey and the Board decided to do so in the late spring. President Jack White was charged with developing a survey form for the Board to consider. Stay tuned.

Key Leader given OK

This rigorous weekend leadership program for high schoolers was developed by Kiwanis International and is presented nationwide. Our District has a Key Leader site and the Board authorized each of our Key Clubs to send two members and a sponsor at our expense.

Other Board Actions

- **Christmas Parade** - After hearing reports on favorable reactions to our daytime Saturday parade without professional floats, it was decided to follow the same plan next Christmas. One change: Rules will stipulate that only the Kiwanis "float" may have Santa Claus. Another float did so this year and it caused some confusion among young watchers. Mrs. Santa and the Elves are fair game for other floats, but the old man will be ours alone.
- **2+2 Meeting Plan** - Our breakfast meetings are in a six-month trial that began in November. The Board will evaluate their success and recommend in early April whether to continue them. That recommendation will be presented at two April club meetings when members may vote. Others may cast mail ballots. Member votes will decide this issue.