The Annual Installation Banquet was held at the George Washington Hotel on September 27th. Pictured above (from top left, clockwise): New officers Tj O’Connor, John Hess, & Lynnette Embree; and Award Recipients Barbara Devers-Appreciation Certificate for advising James Wood Key Club; Jeff Smelser-Kiwanian of the Year; and Ginny Grant-Community Service.

*(photos by John Westervelt)*
One month and only eleven more to go and no impeachment in sight! But, I want to look back on last year and give thanks and praise to some very deserving members of our club: Kiwanian of the Year Jeff Smelser; Hixson fellows Debbie Knotts and Randy Zook; and Ginny Grant, our Community Service Award winner. These individuals are some of the hardest working people in our club so please thank them.

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**NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Happy Birthday To Our Members!

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(for birthday errors & omissions, please email editor@winchesterkiwanis.org)

**CALENDAR**

- Nov. 2: PANCAKE DAY !!!!
- Nov 6: Business Meeting
- Nov 13: Speaker - Doug Thomas (also, Bright Futures @ 5:30pm)
- Nov 19: Social, Piccadilly Pub, 5:30pm
- Nov 20: Janie Dicken-Bowman; Villages of Orchard Ridge
- Nov 21: Board Meeting, Airport Conference Room, 6pm
- Nov 22: Deadline for newsletter articles
- Nov 27: Dick Belsky; NY Post Correspondent
- Nov 28: THANKSGIVING
Thanks to the efforts of Bill Nordman, the Kiwanis Club of Winchester is now easier to access on the internet.

The Club’s root address, "www.winchesterkiwanis.org" has proven cumbersome to type (or remember) when trying to visit our website. By using the acronym of our club’s name (KCOW) you can just type in “www.kcow.org” and you will be directed to our regular website. Bill was able to reserve the abbreviated web address, and by setting up a "redirect" command, anyone typing in the new web address will be forwarded to our usual Home page. (The original website does not go away.)

In addition to being shorter to type, the new URL is easier to remember, easier to articulate and true to our organization’s name "Kiwanis Club of Winchester. (Hopefully, we will no longer be confused with the Winchester, Kentucky club!)

We will begin two processes: 1) Inserting the URL into any links we have already set up on our website and, 2) We will set up new Club email addresses that use the “kcow.org” extension (i.e. Pres@kcow.org). Stay tuned for more information about this effort, as some of our membership may have to update their email address books for correspondence purposes.

Save the Dates! (and then Show Up to Help!)

The Kiwanis Club of Winchester is scheduled to pack food at Bright Futures on:  
**NOVEMBER 13, 2019**  at 5:30pm  
**DECEMBER 4, 2019**  at 5:30pm  
**JANUARY 15, 2020**  at 5:30pm

Bright Futures Distribution Center  
178 Indian Hollow Road  
Winchester, VA 22603
Randy Zook (left) and Debbie Knotts (right) receive Hixson Fellowship Awards. Helen Zebarth, John DePollo, Steve Pettit and Doug Butler (middle) receive Legion of Honor Certificates. Also, pictured (below) are the Hixson Fellows present at the banquet. Congratulations to all!

photos by John Westervelt
INTERCLUB NEWS
Tim Anderson & Robin Doss

On Tuesday, October 22, 2019, six members of our club traveled to Charles Town, WV to attend the Kiwanis Club of Blue Ridge West Virginia breakfast meeting at the IHOP restaurant. Members attending include Ann DeLorme, Debbie Pizzola, Barry Swears, Bruce Santilli, Doug Butler and Tim Anderson. The speaker presented a very interesting talk on the history of coffee.

Our November interclub will be to the Kiwanis Club of Blue Ridge (Virginia) at a date to be determined.

Respectfully submitted by Robin Doss

SOCIAL
Dennis Grubbs

The Kiwanis Club meets monthly at Piccadilly’s Public House & Restaurant, located at 125 East Piccadilly Street in downtown Winchester, VA.

Next Social: Nov 19, 2019; 5:30pm

 CLUB NOTES

Author Bill Rapp (left), a former CIA analyst and David Downes (right), owner of the Virginia Beer Museum, provided informative presentations to the Club in October.

(photos by John Westervelt)
November’s Featured Kiwanian is: GEORGE CALEY

Birthplace: North Dakota
Favorite books: Spy thrillers by Tom Clancy
Education: Dickinson State University / Medical College of Virginia
Favorite place to visit: Berlin

George was born in North Dakota leaving when he joined the Navy after high school graduation. It is while being stationed at Virginia Beach that he fell in love with Virginia and decided he would return. After leaving the Navy he went back to North Dakota to Dickinson State University and earned degrees in Biology and Secondary Education. Student teaching led George to understand that a teaching career was not what he wanted to do for his life. He obtained a job in pharmaceutical sales in Roanoke for a few years where he met many doctors and hospital administrators. This job was what led him to become interested in how hospitals are run and led to his passion in hospital administration. George earned a Masters in Hospital Administration at the Medical College of Virginia and stayed in the area working at the Community Hospital of Roanoke Valley. After a few years, he had the wonderful opportunity to move to Winchester as the Assistant Administrator at our hospital. He spent the rest of his career in Winchester, moving up to become the President of the Winchester Medical Center. Even though George has retired, he stays very active helping many worthwhile organizations in our area.

George has spent many years sharing his time and talents in service to others. He joined the Kiwanis Club of Winchester in 1979 in order to stay involved in the community and connected with a major civic club. Of course, his leadership skills led to becoming the President of Kiwanis in the 80s and a Hixson fellow. George’s community service does not stop at Kiwanis. He is also involved as a board member at the Timber Ridge School and is a founding board member and currently the treasurer for Blue Ridge Hospice. Previously, George has been the chair for the Winchester Medical Center Foundation, the capital campaign chairman for the Red Cross, and the President of the Chamber.

George is not “all work and no play.” He has done a wonderful job ensuring he has a positive work-life balance with his wife and children. George and his wife, Linda, have a son that lives in DC, a daughter living in Fayetteville, NC, and two grandsons. George and Linda love to travel and have been to so many fascinating and exotic locales over the past 40 years: throughout Europe, Egypt, Morocco, South America, and the Galapagos Islands. They have just returned from Africa where they were just feet away from a leopard and lions on safaris.
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in Zimbabwe and Botswana (see pics above). Of all the places George has visited, Berlin is his absolute favorite. He enjoyed the museums, palaces, history, the wall, and even attended an interesting, chaotic New Year’s Eve celebration. George is also an avid golfer and has achieved the rank of Life Master in bridge.

Kiwanis Club of Winchester is successful because of its many volunteer members who give so freely of their time and effort.

THANKS FOR BEING A MEMBER OF KIWANIS CLUB, GEORGE!
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individually—and yourselves also. Man, what a great installation banquet we had! Thank you Pat Snapp (and those helping her) for the beautifully decorated room, tasty meal and a great evening; also Mr. Tj O’Connor for his wit and humor and for being a great emcee for the evening. We also honored Doug Butler for 70 years of perfect attendance. There is a lot we all can be proud of. We raised over $80,000.00 for our Community with our Semi-Annual Pancake Days. With that in mind, think of the service work we provide to area students through our Service Leadership Programs by sponsoring Key Clubs, Builders Clubs and K-Kids.

Now, look at some of the service work we provide: Adopt-A-Highway, Salvation Army bell ringing, food sorting, Bright Futures meal packing, Stuff the Bus, Camp Fantastic, and our annual Christmas Party!

We had a great year and I look forward to working with everyone to help provide for those in need in our community and around the world.

-John