

Maryville Kourier

Meetings at noon each 1st and 3rd Tuesday at Green Meadow Country Club; lunch served at 11:30

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Dedicated to building a better community by focusing on service to children and youth

July 21 Meeting Notes

Maryville College was founded in 1819 as an independent liberal arts college. It now has over 1100 students. Dr. Bryan Coker is the twelfth President of Maryville College. During his term he has introduced the first graduate program in the college's modern history, a Master of Arts in Teaching, focused on STEM education.

President Coker is leading planning and fundraising for the future Alexander Institute for Conservation Leadership and the Sciences, named in honor of retired U.S. Senator Lamar Alexander. The Institute will be a 65,000 square foot, \$60+ million facility, providing a new home for all natural sciences and health-related programs, with an overall focus on the health and wellness of the Southern Appalachian region. The institute will house facilities for natural, math, computer, health, and environmental sciences. Senator Alexander's legacy is an advocate for conservation, clean air, and environmental causes.

Also located in the Alexander Institute will be the Natalie Leach Haslam Center for Environmental Education which will provide education space for K12 students, lifelong learners, and visitors to the region.

The Tracy and Bill Frist Center for Appalachian Wellness and the Outdoors will also be in the Alexander Institute. It will serve to prepare students to become enlightened leaders in health-related fields, through a curriculum that emphasizes the connection between wellness and the outdoors. It will also promote time spent in nature as an essential and integral aspect of human health and wellness, emphasizing human movement, nutrition, and a sense of community.

"Preservation of our environment is not a liberal or conservative challenge, it's common sense..."



Briefs

Prayer concerns: for Denn Larson and Wanda Perkinson both are struggling with serious health conditions.

We need members to sign up for interclub meeting, contact Pete Davis.

Everyone – check out or go to the Maryville Kiwanis website (maryvilletnkiwanis.org) to learn all about what we do as a 106-year-old service organization. There is much information you may not know, many, many photos, and The Kourier.

If you would like to participate more in our activities, sign up to serve on one of our many committees. GET INVOLVED!

Thirty-five attended today's meeting and Patsy Russell was properly dressed.

Welcome! New member: Robert "Bob" Edwards has submitted his application to join Maryville Kiwanis. He has completed his orientation and he is going to be a great addition to our club.



Coming Events/Programs

Maryville Kiwanis Board meeting, Thursday July 23, 9am, United Way, notify Heather

Maryville Kiwanis meeting, August 4, noon, at First Baptist Church; program: Sr. Pastor Bill Booth, Welcome to FBC

Interclub meeting at Alcoa, August 6, noon.

Volunteer State Aktion Club interclub meeting 11am August 20 at 1st Baptist Church of Maryville

Birthdays

July 30, Tammi Ford

August 5, Geoff Cusick



Birthday Queens

Regina Jennings and Brenda Sellers celebrated another birthday at our meeting today.



Division 5 Clubs

Alcoa, founded July 18, 1951, meetings weekly at noon at Airport Hilton

Foothills, Townsend, founded October 19, 2023, meetings 2nd and 4th Wednesday at noon at The Abbey

Jefferson County, founded March 12, 1959, meetings 1st and 3rd Wednesday at noon at Perkins in Dandridge

Knoxville, founded April 5, 1919, meetings weekly at noon, at Crowne Plaza Hotel

Maryville, founded December 29, 1919, meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesday at noon at Green Meadow Country Club

Morristown, founded January 23, 1920, meetings weekly at noon at Morristown Country Club

Newport, founded September 7, 1920, meetings weekly at noon, West End Baptist Church

Northside Knoxville, founded June 14, 1949, meetings weekly at noon at Shoney's on N Broadway

Sevierville, founded September 28, 2000, meetings weekly at noon at Applebee's

Board of Directors

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Objects of Kiwanis

To give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life.

To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all human relationships.

To promote the adoption and the application of higher social, business and professional standards.

To develop, by precept and example, a more intelligent, aggressive and serviceable citizenship.

To provide, through Kiwanis clubs, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build better communities.

To cooperate in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which make possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism and good will.

News from Kiwanis International

4 Tips for Club Presidents: Listen to your members. Take advantage of our resources. Value your members. Strengthen your club.

News from Kiwanis International and Kentucky-Tennessee District

Kentucky-Tennessee District Convention, August 13-16, 2026, Alcoa Hilton Hotel. Let's get together and stay together at the convention! We are creating **care kits for teens** who are navigating the foster care system, providing essentials to help them feel supported, safe, and cared for. We will focus on teens ages 13-18. Completed kits will be delivered to partner agencies and foster care programs within the district to directly support children.

Service Leadership Programs

Volunteer State Aktion Club (for adults with disabilities)

Builders Clubs at Heritage Middle School, Maryville Junior High School, Eagleton College & Career Academy

Key Clubs at Eagleton College & Career Academy, Maryville High School

Corporate Members

Blount County Public Library

Boys & Girls Club of Blount County

Community Options, Inc.

Great Smoky Mountain Council of Scouts

The Salvation Army

Vienna Coffee House

State Farm – Hunter Jones

Blount Partnership (Chamber of Commerce)

Second Harvest Food Bank

Smart Bank

Life Care Center of Blount County

Maryville City Schools

United Way of Blount County