

The Abingdon Kiwanian

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We meet at noon at Greenway Haven

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Our Boards Have These Items On Their Agenda

Abingdon Kiwanis Club

Top item is to find a new VP to take over from Ben Hamby, who moved up to Prez-Elect. Our Board also is considering possible new **fund-raising projects**. Several ideas are on the table. If you have one, pass it on.

Kiwanis International

The KI Board is considering a proposal for **Family Memberships**. The Lions had them first. They let up to four members of a family join the same club for reduced International dues. Our proposal later.

This Week's Special Program

J.E.B. Stuart & W. A. Stuart: A tale of two brothers and Southwest Virginia



William Alexander Stuart

This is a little-known story, but one wrapped in the history of Abingdon and the surrounding area. General J.E.B. Stuart was the dashing cavalry hero of the Civil War who graduated from high school in Wytheville and studied two years at Emory & Henry College. His brother, William Alexander Stuart, was a hugely successful businessman who supplied the Confederacy with salt during the Civil War – from the Saltville works William King started.



Tom Perry

After General Stuart suffered a mortal wound near Richmond, his widow and two children moved to Saltville where the generous brother cared for them.



King-Stuart House • Saltville

While the General's children made no special marks in their later lives, one of the brother's two sons helped develop a land and cattle dynasty in Russell County and was Virginia's WWI Governor. The other son started a legal dynasty here that evolved into the PennStuart law firm.

Telling the story will be Tom Perry, the man behind the Stuart family historical site in Patrick County and a prolific author. This is a rare opportunity to hear some of the fascinating history of our area from a true authority. Plan to be there!

Get ready for Kiwanis Minutes

Members in the recent club survey said we need more Kiwanis education. So this week we will begin having a **Kiwanis Minute** at each meeting. Before the program begins, a club member will present a 60-second talk on some part of the his-



tory or customs of Kiwanis and the Abingdon club.

Past President Jack White, who for several years was a District leader, will present the first two months of our Kiwanis Minutes. Other club members then will take over.

Our last meeting and program



Jacqui Pile

shows off her new Kiwanis membership certificate.



Haiti Relief

Bristolian **Eric Fields** told us with words and pictures about work his Rotary-sponsored group did for kids at a Haitian orphanage.

Doc calls it a Moon Boot, but your editor has another name



Your editor tripped and fell while dressing to attend the last breakfast meeting. A metatarsal bone in his left foot fractured and he was on crutches for a week. For the next 5 or 6 weeks, he will be wearing this unusual-looking support boot. The editor thinks it looks a lot like a duck's foot.