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# Kiwanis Club of Smithfield

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## ***Weather Forecast: July 19 Will Be the Hottest Day of the Year***



And that's a pretty solid bet because July 19 is the Kiwanis Capital District, Division 21 Kid Fishing Day at the James River Fishing Pier and it's **always** the hottest day of the year.

In keeping with tradition, Wesley Brown is organizing this year's event which he has done quite successfully for many years. Festivities will begin on Sunday, July 17 at Wesley's house where Division 21 Kiwanians will assemble the rods and reels.

Much help is needed both on Sunday at Wesley's and Tuesday at the pier. Last year Division 21 clubs served almost 350 children at the event. Each child receives a rod and reel (to keep), a t-shirt and hat and is served lunch after fishing. There will also be educational opportunities focused on local waterways, conservation and safety around the water.

Kiwanis volunteers are needed for setup, registration, distributing rods and reels, general pier assistance, food cooking and prep and clean up. Sign up sheets are being circulated at our weekly luncheon meetings.

Despite the fact that Fishing Day usually is the hottest day of the year, this is a great opportunity for all Division 21 club members to work side by side in carrying out the Kiwanis mission: Changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

## **Upcoming Dates to Remember**

7/17 - Rod and Reel Assembly at Wesley's

7/19 - Kid Fishing Day at James River Fishing Pier

## **June Programs**

*K-Camp - Fred Walls* July 7

*Smithfield Schools Robot Program - Rex Williams* July 14

*Inland Waterway Adventure - Harry Burns & Pat Wirth* July 21

*Spouses Night - No luncheon meeting* July 28

## *Take Me Out to the Ball Game!*



What a great evening The Kiwanis Club of Smithfield had at the War Memorial Stadium in Hampton on June 30. About 60 club members and guests were in attendance for a great bar-b-que and game and to watch our own Billy Cook throw out the first pitch. Pilots owner Henry Morgan said that Billy still has what it takes to pitch a great game!

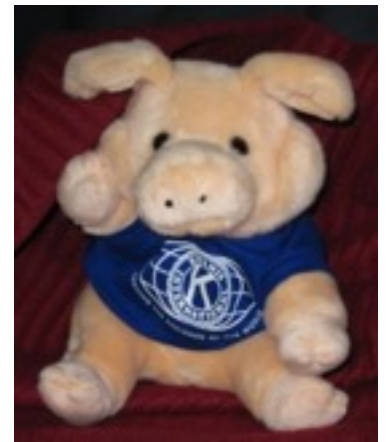
It was a battle to the end with over 31 hits in the game. The Pilots came out victorious in the 14th inning well past midnight! It was a great evening for fun, fellowship and baseball!

## *Club Historian Needed*

The Board of Directors would like to maintain a history of our club for current and future club members to enjoy. We have some interesting memorabilia and records from years past that need to be preserved. With this information, a club history could be written so that future Kiwanians will be aware of our success. If you are interested in serving as Club Historian, please contact President Gerald.

## *It's Almost Time for Spouse's Night!*

The grills will be fired up on July 28 for a fantastic evening at Carter and Connie's house on the Pagan. The theme for this year's event will be "Pig Out" in honor of the Kiwanis Club of Smithfield's hero, Hamlet. Everyone is encouraged to come decked out in their best "Hamtown" gear (that would be anything pig oriented). Winners for the most original and most realistic categories will be among those to earn bragging rights! So let's make Hamlet proud and PIG OUT on the 28th!



## *The Prez Sez...*

*By Gerald Gwaltney*

What a year this has been! We have had great fundraisers, service projects and social events. There have been many outstanding speakers at our meetings and their programs have been very interesting. We are going into our final three months of this Kiwanian year and I'd like us to focus on our membership.

Since January, we have taken in six new members while we have lost six members for various reasons. In order for us to stay in the running for the Distinguished Club Award, we need to bring in a few more new members to stay in the positive area. I encourage you to invite a friend to join between now and the end of September so we can be a Distinguished Club two years in a row. We can do it!!