



The KIWANIS BANNER

The official bulletin of the Kiwanis Club of Wilmington, Delaware, Inc.

April 19, 2017



Police, Fire and EMS Quarterly Awards



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Upcoming Meeting Topics & Important Dates

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| April 19 | Police, Fire and EMS Quarterly Awards. Please bring children's books and/or mild crates for the WPD "Book em" program |
| April 24 | Board meeting, Woodlawn Library, 12 noon |
| April 24 | Reading at Salvation Army, 10:00 a.m. |
| April 29 | Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up, 7-8:30 a.m. (Key Club activity, all invited. Contact Charma for details) |
| May 3 | Speaker TBD |
| May 14 | Delaware Marathon Running Festival (Key Club and The First Tee water stop, all invited. Two morning shifts. (Contact Charma for details) |
| May 17 | Armed Forces Day Meeting, 12 noon, Hotel DuPont |
| May 20 | Family Fun Fitness Festival at Mount Pleasant Elementary School, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Contact Charma for details) |
| June 3 | Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community, Bellevue State Park. Registration opens at 7:45 a.m., 5k walk at 9 a.m., 1 mile walk at 9:15 a.m. Kiwanis Club will help sponsor the event in support of Boys and Girls Club (See bgclub.org/highmark or contact Rachel Kane for details) |

THE OBJECTS OF KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL

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

To encourage the daily living of the Golden Rule in all of 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 makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will.



KIWANIS CLUB OF WILMINGTON, DELAWARE

Wednesday, April 19, 2017

Lunch Meeting

THE HOTEL DUPONT | 12 Noon

Welcome	President Betty Olmstead
Star Spangled Banner	President Betty Olmstead
Pledge of Allegiance	President Betty Olmstead
Invocation	
LUNCH	
Introduction of Guests	President Betty Olmstead
Police, Fire and EMS Awards	
Induction of new Chief of Wilmington Fire Department, Michael Donohue	
Announcements	President Elect, Carl Colantuono
America	Everyone



**Officer of the
1st Quarter 2017**

Senior Corporal Michael Coleman

Senior Corporal Michael Coleman was born and raised in Wilmington by his mother Hazel Coleman who instilled hard work, as well as kindness to others.

Mike graduated from Delcastle High School and then went on to Widener University, where he excelled at track and football and was a 5-time All American between both sports.

Mike was drafted to play in the NFL, where he played first with the Atlanta Falcons and then for the St. Louis Rams, as well as in Canada and Arena Football.

Mike hung his cleats up and became a police officer in January of 2008. Mike received the coveted Rookie of the Year Award in 2010. Mike soon thereafter met his fiancé, Fray, also a Wilmington Police Sergeant and together they have 4 children.

Mike has been assigned to numerous different units within the police department thus far in his career, such as the MET Team, Criminal Investigations Division, the Drug, Organized Crime & Vice Division, and his longest and most favored position, a Task Force officer with the U.S. Marshalls Task Force for four years.



“SERVING THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD”

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.

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April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

Please show your support for child abuse prevention in Delaware by wearing a blue ribbon and/or displaying a blue pinwheels and remind folks of this important concern.



Mike is currently assigned to Patrol Division on D Platoon, Sector 1. Since returning to the Uniform Services Division, he has become known as a leader and one of the go to guys on his platoon. Mike constantly challenges himself and the platoon with gathering officers for a push-up session after every roll call and even on the streets at times.

Not only does Mike work his normal assigned work hours, but he also attends and participates in weekly community meetings and loves to speak on Police vs. Public issues.

Mike is dedicated to making people better and therefore also donates his time to work out sessions, because health and wellness of all is also his passion.

One of Mike's favorite quotes is:

“If you treat an individual as he is, he will remain how he is. But if you treat his as if he were what he ought to be and could be, he will become what he ought to be and could be.”

Just for Fun

4/05/2017

Coley Bye wins progressive 50/50...again.



April Birthdays

Ruth Bartholomew April 17

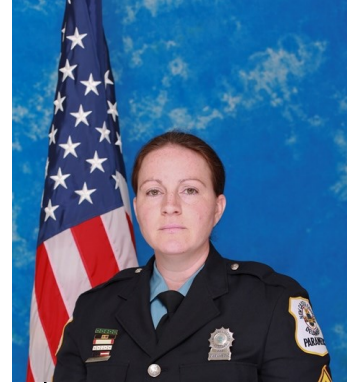
Tyrone Perry April 20



Firefighters of the 1st Quarter 2017

The Wilmington Fire Department's Kiwanis Firefighters of the First Quarter for 2017 are Captain Demetrius Todd; Firefighter Edward Brooks; Firefighter Kevin Weems; and Firefighter David Roberts. On December 17, 2016, Engine Company #1, under the Command of Captain Todd and crew members Brooks; Weems; and Roberts, were dispatched to 430 West Street, Apartment 202 to assist Saint Francis Hospital's ambulance with forcible entry for a sick person. Upon entry to the apartment, a female patient, who had given birth, was found in bed. Engine Company #1 assisted Saint Francis and proceeded to secure the apartment.

Upon returning to Station #1, the crew of Engine Company #1 discussed the fact that the patient's apartment was sparsely furnished and that the mother was young in age. The crew, along with their Battalion Chief, collected money between them and purchases approximately \$150.00 of items, such as baby wipes, pacifiers, bottles, bibs, etc. The crew also acquired a crib from the Wilmington Fire Department's Cribs for Kids. The items, crib and an additional \$100.00 VISA gift card were delivered to the mother on December 21, 2016.



Instilled important professional ism traits in the recruits, created testing applications, made curriculum improvements to assist the students throughout the program and met with staff from both the county and the Good Fellowship Paramedic Program on a weekly basis. Corporal Kerekes was frequently known to spend multiple hours before and after class time,

including weekends, to assist the recruits with studying to ensure success in the program. She assisted the recruits with their academic classes, clinical skills, physical fitness improvements, and overall quality of life concerns; she was a true mentor to each recruit.

Corporal Kerekes was limitless in her personal sacrifices; she currently resides in Kent County, Delaware and traveled nearly two hours in the morning and two hours in the evening to and from the paramedic training facility in West Chester, PA. She utilized personal time to create lesson plans and to attend events geared toward the success of each recruit.

As a result of her efforts, the paramedic recruits had a 98% success rate with all program final testing the first time they were taken, and 100% success rate overall.

It is dedicated and committed employees, like Paramedic Corporal Kerekes, that are helping to ensure the future of the EMS Division. She embodies a spirit of excellence that continues to exceed expectations, and provides an example of hard work, dedication and loyalty.



Paramedics of the 1st Quarter 2017

Paramedic Corporal Alana M. Kerekes

Paramedic Corporal Kerekes was hired by the New Castle Emergency Medical Services in March of 2003 as part of a paramedic academy and attended the Delaware Technical and Community College's Paramedic Program. Corporal Kerekes graduated from the Del Tech program in 2004 and was assigned to Platoon 3 in field operations. She was promoted to Paramedic First Class in March of 2008 and Paramedic Corporal in April of 2015. Corporal Kerekes has earned a 40-hour National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) methods of instruction certification, is an American Heart Association Basic Life Support Instructor and served the division as a Field Training Officer, assisting in the field certification of new paramedics. Corporal Kerekes is the Assistant Coordinator of the Division's Honor Guard, serves on the State of Delaware Advanced Life Support Protocol Committee and helps to coordinate the Safe Sleep Program. Corporal Kerekes has multiple Pre-Hospital Sudden Cardiac Arrest Save Citations and was the recipient of the New Castle County Tribute in September of 2010 for her response to a patient suffering from a life threatening neck injury in the town of Middletown. She has multiple complimentary letters of correspondence, multiple heart alert recognitions from our local receiving hospitals and was issued a remembrance citation from the Delaware City Fire Company.

In March of 2016 Corporal Kerekes was selected to be the leader of New Castle County Emergency Medical Services second paramedic training academy and was reassigned to the New Castle County Paramedic Academy in West Chester, Pennsylvania.

During her year at the academy Corporal Kerekes designed physical fitness programs specific to the needs of the students,



Captain Demetrius Todd

Captain Todd was appointed to the Wilmington Fire Department on September 16, 2002. Captain Todd is currently the Captain of Engine Company #1 "C" Platoon. Captain Todd holds a Master's Degree in Urban Affairs and is currently enrolled in the Executive Fire Officers Program at the National Fire Academy.

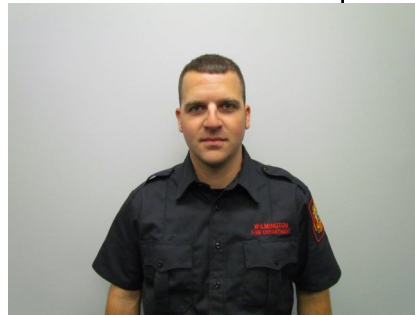


Firefighter Edward Brooks

Firefighter Brooks was appointed to the Wilmington Fire Department on April 1, 2002. Firefighter Brooks is currently assigned to Engine Company #1 “C” Platoon. Firefighter Brooks holds an Associate Degree in Fire Science.

Firefighter Kevin Weems

Firefighter Weems was appointed to the Wilmington Fire Department on April 16, 2012. Firefighter Weems is currently assigned to Engine Company #1 “C” Platoon. Firefighter Weems is currently pursuing his Bachelor’s Degree in Fire Science Administration.



Firefighter David Roberts

Firefighter Roberts was appointed to the Wilmington Fire Department on November 17, 2014. Firefighter Roberts is currently assigned to Engine Company #1 “C” Platoon. Firefighter Roberts is currently pursuing his Associates Degree in Fire Protection Engineering.

