Monthly Newsletter



THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Steve Schmitt

I can't believe it, but it's May. The 2021-2022 year is coming to a close. The Bourbon has been Pulled, the Homes have been Toured, and the Race has been Run. Looking back at all we've accomplished this year puts a huge smile on my face, and it's a smile you can see now that we don't have to wear masks everywhere we go. That makes my smile even bigger.

When we started this journey last year, we had no idea what would happen. The pandemic had yet to fully run its course. Still, as we have since the beginning, we persevered. Nineteen different sub-clubs held gatherings throughout the year. We enjoyed a full slate of Monthly Member Mixers from September to May. Our main fundraisers, The Bourbon Pull, the Tour of Homes and the Derby Dash 5K proved successful because they were in-person events

Let's not forget about the other fundraisers though. The Little Ceasar's Pizza Kits were delicious. The online "Wreath and Tree" auction decorated homes everywhere. Wreaths Across America continued to make sure that our Veterans were honored at the holidays. We had restaurant and shopping nights, the Make It, Bake It, Fake It, Take It auction, and who could forget all the flamingos that landed on lawns all over post. The Motherflocker will never forget! Each of these were successful ways to raise funds that are making a difference.

How? The Fort Knox Spouses and Community Club is giving \$35,000 to local non-profit organizations and students this year. \$21,000 is going to 19 different community organizations to help with projects like building inclusive splash pads and feeding the hungry. \$14,000 from us, plus \$6500 from our partners at First Command Bank, and the Bluegrass Sergeants Major Association are going to help students in their educational endeavors. I'm guessing these funds are going to make a big difference.

I also want to mention our first "Night at the Patton Museum" event. More than 300 children and adults toured the museum as it "came to life" through the talents of numerous volunteers. Not only did these attendees help the security quards keep their jobs, but they learned about General Patton, his Soldiers, his dog, and other exhibits featured in the museum. FKSCC provided this opportunity to families 100% free of charge, making this a true community event.

I cannot begin to express my gratitude to everyone who made all the above possible. If you donated anything, whether it be any amount of money or an item that helped us, thank you. If you attended an event, thank you. If you volunteered your time and talents, thank you. If you led a sub-club, provided a ride, or showed up as a vendor, thank you so much. Finally, if you served on the Board of Governors this year, know that it meant the world to me. You took my vision to heart, and my heart explodes with joy because of all you've done. Thank you! Thank you! Thank You!

As my time draws to a close, I want to thank everyone for putting their faith in me to lead this club. It wasn't something I ever imagined doing, but it has been one of, if not the most rewarding experience of my life. I'll never forget the events we've planned, or the scholarships and grants we've given. Most importantly though, I will never forget all the people who make this club so great. The friends I've made, the volunteers I've worked with, and the leaders who've helped me thrive are in my heart forever. May we continue to grow together as we build a better Fort Knox, a better community, and a better world. That's what happens when we commit to... Be The Change.



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5. MEMBERSHIP/HOSPITALITY COORDINATOR

Applications now being accepted for positions listed above and more.





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MAY 10, 2022
Saber & Quill
DOORS OPEN AT 10:30 AM
\$20 - INCLUDES LUNCH

































Sub Club Spotlight



Fort Knox Eats!

- Join Jamon Wallen in sharing your favorite recipes and tips on all things food related!
- Mostly a virtual group with a monthly theme.
- Share your successes, and even your failures, in our online Facebook group at FKSCC Eats!

Check out more Sub Clubs here!



Birthdays

<u>May</u>

Tonya Jackson 05/06 Kaiti Green 05/06 Samantha Gonzalez 05/10 Stacy Castellanos 05/16 Christine Simmons 05/12 Nancy Walton 05/13

JUNE

Tracie Ramirez 06/05 Bonnie Howell 06/10 Christiane Turlington 06/20 Carole Schroer 06/23



Hello Everyone, Elizabeth Lawrence and I just wanted to take a moment to let all of you know how the Fort Knox Spouses and Community Club Scholarship Program went this year. The FKSCC along with our partnering organizations - the Kentucky Bluegrass Sergeant Major Association & Jessica Blaisdell representing the First Command Educational Foundation - bestowed 20 scholarships for a total of \$20,500 awarded. First Command and the KBSMA are great long-term partners and have made our program a true success over the years. With their help we were able to grant a scholarship to each applicant that applied this year. We hope all our winners have a phenomenal experience at college next year!

We would also like to thank each and every member of our club who served on the scholarship committee this year. These members spent many hours reading essays, scouring scholarship packets, deciding the monetary break-down and making recommendations to better the program in the future. We greatly appreciate their effort and attention to detail. They all did a phenomenal job and made our lives much easier!

For those of you staying at Fort Knox, look for announcements regarding next year's scholarship cycle in the fall. We are always happy to include new members on the committee and love to receive scholarship applications from our community.

Sincerely, Allyson Miller and Elizabeth Lawrence, FKSCC 2021-2022 Scholarship Chairs



Thank you for a great 2021-2022 Year

This year with your help the FKSCC was able to provide

\$21,000 in Community Grants

rants \$14,000 in Scholarships 19 Grant Recipients

- The American Red Cross Holiday Food Assistance Program
- · Barr Memorial Library
- Camp Tessa of Hardin County
- CASA of the Heartland
- Control Hardin High School Project Graduatio
- Club Beyond/Military Community Youth Ministries
- Disabled American Veterans Chapter 156
- Down Syndrome Association of the Heartland
- Elizabethtown High School Project Graduation
- Fort Knoy High School Football

- Fort Knox Middle High School Project Graduation
- Fort Knox High School Soccer
- John Hardin High School Project Graduation
- Meade County High School Project Graduation
- Mission Hope for Kids
- North Hardin High School Project Graduation
- Operation Homefron
- Rachel's Fun for Everyone Splash Pad Project
- Santa's Workshop



monthly must haves

recommendations from your fkscc friends















OOFOS flip flops

Cards...Fort Knox & Bourbon...because

we live in Kentucky!









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is now open for 2022-2023!!!!

Fort Knox Spouses and Community Club (FKSCC) exists to connect and strengthen Fort Knox families and work together to make our community a better place for everyone. Membership is available to active duty members of the United States Armed Forces and their spouses assigned to and residing in our area, as well as retirees and community members. We look forward to seeing what you will bring! FKSCC's mission is to be a service oriented non-profit organization that supports a variety of activities for the social, cultural and educational benefit of our membership, their families and the surroundings communities. We will plan events, social activities and fundraisers in order to achieve this mission.

<u>CLICK HERE</u> to check out our different membership options!



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