



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
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This Week's Program: March 24, 2016
Speaker: Darryl Campbell
Downingtown Bicycle
Getting Started in Biking

Next Week's Program: April 7, 2016
Speaker: Dave NJ District Governor
Author of "One Hundred Years in Rotary"

MINUTES by Matt Holliday

President Katie opened the meeting and **Jeannie McGinn** gave the invocation.

We had one Visiting Rotarian, **Reese Reynolds**. **Chuck Garfinkle** introduced Dr. Laurene Grabill who is a dentist in West Chester. **Matt Holliday** introduced Eric Smith, who is State Representative Dan Truitt's new Chief of Staff.

President Katie announced a few dates as reminders. Our club's Board of Directors will hold their retreat on April 2nd. The Rotarians at Work Day will be held on Saturday, April 30th. Finally, she announced that **Matt Holliday** and **Dave Barkasy** were celebrating their fifth Rotary Anniversary.

Linda Hicks was happy because her shoulder surgery went well, and she heard from our former exchange student, Gustavo, that he had joined a Rotary Club in Brazil. **Allison Snavelly-Villano** was happy to announce the release of the newest issue of the Fig at a party at Iron Hill on Tuesday. **Jeannie McGinn** was happy to announce that the Chamber of Commerce would be doing their annual 10 Grand event on April 1st at Penn Oaks Country Club, so if you want to buy a ticket see her. **President Katie** was happy that her father has recovered from his stroke, and she was grateful for all of the support she received from Rotarians during the difficult period. **Cathy Palmquist** and **Mac Neilon** were happy to introduce Greg Radford who used to be a member of our club and is thinking about

rejoining. **Dr. Poole** gave a happy buck for the great job **President Katie** is doing keep our club one where everyone can experience the old RI slogan, "Enjoy Rotary."

Gary Hess gave a golf themed birthday greeting to **Pat Barron**.

Jack Wintermute reminded everyone that the 23rd Annual Blue Rocks Rotary Game is coming up this month, and he will be selling tickets starting next week.

President Katie won the 50/50 drawing, but just barely missed the Queen of Spades

SPEAKERS' REVIEW

We were enchanted by **Don Kohler's** two daughters, Meghan and Shannon, as they demonstrated Irish Step Dancing for us. They have studied for four years and have weekly lessons. Don says not too much practicing occurs between those lessons but it sounds like he is very involved in the transport.

After experiencing a few technical hold-ups with the music, Meghan and Shannon did a great job!

After the dances, **Catherine Friedman** led us in three Irish songs but we were really transfixed by her beautiful voice! We sang "When Irish Eyes are Smiling", "I'm Looking Over a Four-Leaf Clover", and "Too Ra Loo Ra Too Ra".

We're so fortunate to have all this talent in our own club!



NEW MEMBER

The following individuals have been proposed for membership and have indicated their desire to become members:

Eric Smith: Chief of Staff for Rep Dan Truitt; Classification Government Staff.
Sponsor: **Matt Holliday**

John Messersmith: Owner Messersmith Financial Services; Classification - Owner Financial Services.
Sponsor: **John Schwab**

If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary within three (3) days of this notice a date will be set for their inductions.

SAVE THE DATE

- Mar 24 Soup for Safe Harbor
- Apr 2 Board Retreat
- Apr 5 District 7450 at the Sixers
- Apr 13 Rotoplast at the Media Theater
- Apr 30 Rotary at Work Day
- May 19 Rotary at the Blue Rocks

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at <http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>
Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by **Matt Holliday**

SOUP FOR SAFE HARBOR

Safe Harbor is a non-profit charitable organization whose mission is to provide housing, food and access to support services in a structured environment for homeless single men and homeless single women in Chester County.

After more than 10 years serving as Safe Harbor's chief executive officer, Glenn Fricke, has announced his retirement. **Glenn will be honored at our Spring Celebration on April 30th with the 2016 Safe Harbor Jack Loew Inspirational Leadership Award.**

During his time here, Safe Harbor has undergone an amazing transformation. In addition to spearheading and overseeing our major expansion (planned in 2007 and completed in 2010), Glenn has been responsible for transforming Safe Harbor from an efficient 'shelter' to a warm, welcoming 'home' for the adult men and women we serve.

The hundreds of men and women who have stayed here, the countless volunteers who have given their time, the dozens of board members and staff, as well as thousands of donors have all experienced the warmth, genuine caring and endless good nature of Glenn when they stop by his office to say hello.

THE ROTARY CLUB BOARD of DIRECTORS

President, Katie Martin; President-Elect, Bob Rogers; Vice-President, Mickey Hall; Past President, Rob Feenan; Secretary, Sue Casso Rogers; Treasurer, Tim Walsh; Sergeant-at-Arms, Bill Friedmann; Directors-at-Large: Dave Barkasy, Judi Bell, Cristina Combee, Linda Hicks, Matt Holliday, Jim Smith, Debra Sparre, Marjorie Wentz, Denise Wine.
Chad Rosenberg, District Governor
Bronwyn Martin, Assistant Governor
Charles Streitwieser, P. D.G. '13-14 District 7450
Robert Poole, P.D.G. '80-'81 District 7450

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