



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

# ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450  
Ian Riseley, International President 2017-2018

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## This Week's Program:

**To Be Announced**

## Next Week's Program: August 10, 2017

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### MINUTES by Faith Woodward

**President Mickey Hall** opened the meeting and **Cathy Palmquist** gave the invocation about gardening and life. We sang "America the Beautiful"

**Sergeant-of-Arms Brad** shared his words of wisdom about inaccurate computer and flight predictions in the 40s and 50s.

The lone Visiting Rotarian was John Saling from Sunrise.

Guests were Joe Stancato (**Patty Jefferis'** nephew with **Eric Kuhn**, Ebbie Alfre with **Deb Sparre**, and Duane Davis with **Sergeant-of-Arms Brad**.

Happy bucks were from **Faith Woodward** (daughter's wedding, husband's discharge for hospital, and coupon to dine at Iron Hill on Sept 6 to benefit Barclay Friends), **Jeff Brown** (Honeymoon salad- Lettuce Alone), **Paul Woodruff** (wife officiated at wedding of a fifth grandchild, spent time with 2 brothers in one week), **John Schwab** (48<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, went to Shady Maple), John Saling (penitent for not signing in, gave \$20), **Steve Brown** (all his graduating children went to Williamsburg with him), **Ken Hickman's** last meeting, we will miss him), **Cynthia Stroup** (happy to be here, happy for her mom and her aunt's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday), **Don Kohler** (now District chair for Boy Scouts of Octorora area).

Dates to save:

July 23 –by-laws postponed

Aug 9 Board Meeting

Aug 12 RI President Ian Riseley at Mt Laurel, NJ Club

Oct 14 District Project Fair

Nov 4 Rotary Foundation

**Bill Friedmann** gave a pep talk for the Chili Cook Off- Oct. 8 The Kid Zone a family friendly area is ably managed by **Christine Wildauer**. We need a

sponsor for \$3000. Please volunteer for the Chili Cook Off.

**John Schwab** spoke about Leadership Chester County for which we have sponsored individuals for 14 years. It is a commitment of a full day once a month for ten months. Please see John if you are interested. Our club's committee will meet next week.

**Matt Holliday** described our service project on August 12 to help set up the course for the Twilight Criterium. Please sign up for 12- 4 PM or 9 PM to midnight shifts.

Several club committees are looking for members. Please sign up.

The 50-50 was won by **Fran Curtin** but he didn't find the queen of spades.

### SPEAKERS REVIEW by Glen Sweet Quaker Bolivia Link

**Dan Wilson** introduced Ed Dunlop, Quaker Bolivia Link (QBL) Board Chairman and Renee Melina of Wilmington, also a member of the QBL Board. QBL began 20 years ago and has offices in the United Kingdom, Bolivia and the United States. It is a 503(c) non-sectarian organization that works with indigenous people to reduce poverty. QBL adheres to the Quaker principles of integrity, simplicity, equality, community and peace.

The mission of QBL is to support locally developed, sustainable projects that enable economic development, access to safe, clean water and application of viable agricultural and livestock production practices for food security. Bolivia is one of the poorest countries in South America. Two out of 10 children die before their fifth birthday. A high proportion of children suffer from iron anemia. Only

one out of five houses in the rural areas have access to clean water. OBL's current work is focused on villages of indigenous people in the Alta Plana of Bolivia, high in the Andes Mountains. These people live in extreme isolation and poverty.

Projects are planned by the local people who contribute 20 percent of the project costs with their labor. The local government contributes another 30 percent of the project cost and QBL the final 50 percent. A local board is established that collects small fees to help maintain and manage the project.

Without easy access to clean water, local people spend much of their day carrying water from the source to their village. QBL projects offer clean, fresh water systems that are sourced from a spring or well upstream from the community to be served. It is piped underground to standpipes in the village for access by the residents. These clean water projects now serve approximately 2,000 families.

Quinoa, a good source of iron and other minerals, is a principal crop of the indigenous people. It used to be a main source of nutrition but due to its growing popularity in the developed world, most of it is now exported. Hand threshing of quinoa is a very slow process. QBL assisted with a mechanized threshing machine powered by a gasoline engine which increased production 30 to 40 times.

Another project involves the construction of greenhouses built from rock with translucent plastic on top. Because of consistent freezing temperatures at night, greenhouses are necessary to grow leafy green vegetables to help meet the nutritional needs of the indigenous people.

**Diane Lemonides** and **Paul Woodruff** asked questions about coordinating with other similar organizations and local Rotary Clubs.

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

#### THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by  
**Joe Panaro** at Bryn Mawr Trust

#### FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR DAWN deFURIA

"Rotary is Making a Difference" because we are all "Getting on Board."

August is Membership Month .....When a friend or an acquaintance asks you, "What is Rotary?", What do you say? I think at one time or another we've all experienced a loss for words or wondered what do we say to this person. How do we explain Rotary?

The answer in my view is: Rotary is a service organization with all like-minded people who want to help our world be a better place for our future generations. We keep coming back to "Making a Difference" in our world, in our communities and in our own lives. Go out and ask people to join Rotary.....what better time than NOW, to grow your membership. As Paul Harris was quoted as saying, "The world is a changing place and we need to change with it."



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