



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
 John F. Germ, International President 2016-2017

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This Week's Program: March 9, 2017

American Helicopter Museum
Speaker: Bob Beggs

Next Week's Program: March 16, 2017

Rotary Business Meeting

MINUTES by Winnie Stroup

President Bob Rogers opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance. **Don Kohler** gave the invocation in a lengthy Irish manner. First with a lovely poem to St Bridget and then with the Irish toast: "May you be in heaven long before the devil knows you died." We sang God Bless America to a version by Kate Smith that was very SLOWWW. In addition to the recording, **Brad Abel** told another joke.

Visiting Rotarians included Steve Brown, who is in the membership queue and Rick Stevenson from the Sunrise Club. Guests included Bob hall, Claire Fall, Christine Hodson.

We had time for happy bucks and several people were happy. **Diane Lemonidesis** happy that we **donated over 20 gallans of soup** has a new grand dog in her life adopted from La Mancha. **Laurene Graybill** is on the board of Franklin Mint and learned that they have office furniture to donate to any non-profit who could use it. **Tim Walsh** is happy about **Bill Friedman's** leadership on the Chili Cook off. **Dr. Poole** is happy that he has a new great grandbaby. And since his granddaughter uses a breast pump, he has breast fed the baby. **Winnie Stroup** is happy that her daughter Cynthia has started a new job at Wawa. **Carol Hanson** is happy that the newest members of the club met with their mentors at Catherine Friedman's home. New members who attended are **Jim Magee, Steve Mirsh, Laurene Grabill, Christine Scott, Cindy Bianchini, Dan and Jane Wilson.** Mentors, respectively, include **Bill Ronayne, Sue Flynn, Steve Quigley, Catherine Friedman, Carol Hanson, Joanne Tadeo and Laura Aloiso.** President **Bob Rogers** and past president **Jeannie McGinn** also participated.

There were two birthdays to celebrate: **Steve Founds** who likes Captain Crunch and long walks

(smile) and **Jim Mcgee** who spilled the beans at the new member get together.

Christine Wildauer announced that her team needs help on Saturday March 11 as folks come to pick up their orders. If you didn't sign up, please contact her any amount of time is valuable. Also early orders are being delivered on Friday March 10. Timing depends on the driver of the truck. Let Christine know if you can help then, especially if you have a van. She will let you know time.

Bill Friedmann is having a kickoff and orientation meeting for the 15th Annual Chili Cook Off at his Office on March 13th at his office: Blue Dog Printing and Design 1039 Andrews Drive West Chester. The meeting will be especially appropriate for new members to learn about our major fundraiser.

Elizabeth Guman had the winning ticket but did not get the Ace to win the 50-50.

SPEAKER'S REVIEW By Elizabeth Guman

The first part of our program today was the induction of three new members. **Past President Katie Decker** led the induction of **Kyle Rheiner** (sponsor: **Matt Holliday**), **Neil Gutekunst** (Sponsor: **Joe Panaro**) and **Cindy Bianchini** (Sponsor: **Don Kohler**). Katie reminded them, and us, of the opportunities Rotary has for enhancing our skills and for service. In Rotary we are able to be part of something bigger than ourselves and able to accomplish more than we could by ourselves. She finished by challenging Kyle, Neil and Cindy to invite another person to a Rotary meeting sometime in the next three months.

The second part of our meeting was led by the Governance Committee. Members were asked to speak to three questions with other members at their tables: 1) What is important to you about a club

service project? 2) Chili Cook Off—What do you like? What would you change? What is its future? 3): What aspects of the club operations would you want to know more about? The Governance Committee will take the notes from each table and compile them into a report that will be used by the Board in their upcoming planning retreat in April.

Many ideas were collected. We finished the meeting with a sharing from each table highlighting a few ideas they discussed. For service, members talked about service projects where we could measure the contribution to addressing the need and also having projects with a variety of service opportunities for people of all abilities. For the Chili Cook Off, the need for having more people involved all year came up as well as the need for a plan for what might be ways to evaluate how long we should continue to do the event. In terms of club operations, some of the suggestions were to get highlights of Board meeting discussions at club meetings and to have ongoing presentations about budget decisions for the club.

SAVE THE DATE

Mar 10 RYLA Awards

Mar 11 Pick up Fruit

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 - Chester County Prothonotary

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Gabriel Bay from Rafaela, Argentina
Attending Henderson High School
Host family: Mark and Ellen Morun
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HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

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NEW MEMBERS

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

Cynthia Stroup Employer – Wawa, Classification - Customer Service / Food

Sponsored by **Winnie Stroup**

Bob Hall Employer - Francis Hall Insurance Co, Classification - Insurance / Owner

Sponsored by **Mickey Hall**

Pat Henson Employer - Superior Benefits, Classification - HR Consulting

Sponsored by **Jeannie McGinn**

Mark Berenato Employer - Long & Foster, Classification - Real Estate,

Sponsored by **Sue Casso Rogers**

Steve Brown Employer – retired, Classification - Health Care / Retired

Sponsored by **Ken Hickman**

Harry Tashjian Employer – retired, Classification - Insurance / Retired

Sponsor - TBD - returning member

If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary within ten (10) days of this notice a date will be set for their inductions.

THE ROTARY CLUB BOARD of DIRECTORS

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