



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
 Mark Daniel Maloney, International President 2019-2020
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Program: October 3, 2019 Chili Cook Off Preparations Chair Brad Abel and Chili Cook Off Leaders	Program: October 10, 2019 TBA
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MINUTES by Fran Luft

President Matt Holliday opened the meeting. **Gary Hess** gave the invocation reading a poem by Robert Burns.

Visiting Rotarians included District Governor Peter Mardinly, Assistant Governor Cynthia Rugart and Randy Landell.

Guests included Claudie Brock, John Abdula, Phil, Doug, Mark, Megan, Nathan, Rob Fisher, John Greenberg, Alicia Blessington, Chad Antonio, Nichole and Julie.

Birthday greetings were extended to **Steve Brown** by **Bill Friedmann** and **Jeannie McGinn** wished **Ernest Zlotolow** a happy birthday.

Happy Dollars: **Phil McFadden** will have popcorn to sell at the meeting next week. Cynthia Rugart was happy as she will become a grandmother. **Allison Snavelly** is happy the historical society has applied for a grant. Please vote for the historical society so they can win this grant money. **Don Kohler** is happy he no longer is selling popcorn and his beer project is completed. **Rob Malone** is happy he will be running in a race October 5th. More details to follow. **Nathan Keisler** is doing a survey for Christ Community Church to see what are the top three community needs

Gary Hess and **Phil McFadden** head the Rotary Foundation Committee. The goal this year is \$11,000 but the club will try for \$13,000. You can donate online or by check. The following Rotarians were awarded Paul Harris pins; **Katie Martin, Bob Frame, Laura Aloisio, Michelle Venema, Phyllis Dunn, Bill Winters** and **Gary Hess**.

Announcements: **Jeannie McGinn** announced that we will now have nine new members. She requests that we recycle our old Rotary magazines by giving

them to her to put in new member packets. Please pick up Chili Cook Off yard signs from **Bill Friedmann**.

October 24th is World Polio Day please volunteer to assist with awareness and fundraising event ay the courthouse at High and Market Streets. A Polio Plus event will be held November 3rd at Uptown Theater.

50/50 our District Governor Peter Mardinly pulled the winning ticket. He pulled his own raffle ticket and gave the proceeds to Polio Plus.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Pat Barron

District Governor Peter Mardinly inducted the following four new members into our club:

- Mark Nelson** was sponsored by **Sue Casso-Rogers**
- Rob Fischer** was sponsored by **Rob Feenan**
- Nathan Keisler** was sponsored by **Jeannie McGinn**
- Doug Meis** was sponsored by **Mac Neilon**

District Governor Mardinly reminded the new members, plus all of us current members, that Rotary can be found in 200 countries, which is more than are represented in the United Nations. There are 36,000 clubs with 2.4 million members. Rotary is not political, yet it calls upon its members to be model citizens. Rotary is not religious, yet it calls upon its members to live by eternal principles. Members are to be trustees of Rotary ideals and to live by the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self".

After the club warmly welcomed the new members, Assistant District Governor Cynthia Rugart formally introduced District Governor Mardinly as our guest speaker. Did you know that the mission/purpose of the district is to "support the clubs"? Did you know that at one time half the members of Rotary were located in North America and now that percentage has dropped to around thirty percent? (Frankly a statistic like this could indicate that Rotary--founded in

Chicago, the heartland of America--simply is growing in the rest of the world. After all, the US population of around 330 million is less than five percent of the world's population.)

The best way to learn all about Rotary is to attend the periodic Rotary Leadership Institute classes. District Governor Mardinly gave a synopsis of how our Rotary Foundation contributions can be routed to do good works anywhere in the world, including right here in Chester County, PA. He left us with Rotary's vision that together we can enact change around the world, and we can do together that which we cannot do alone. This is a recipe for good governance of any organization.

FROM BRAD ABEL

At our October 3rd club meeting, we're going to review all aspects of the cookoff and have the committee chairs talk to job responsibilities. We'll have sign-up sheets for volunteers for all the committees.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you need anything or have any questions. My number is 215-292-3595.



SAVE THE DATE

- Oct 13 Chili Cook Off
- Oct 19 Community Warehouse- Downingtown
- Oct 24 World Polio Day Event @ historic courthouse
- Nov 3 Polio Plus Event @ Uptown

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

MONTHLY SERVICE PROJECT

Our next volunteer workday for the Community Warehouse Project will be Saturday, October 19, between the hours of 9 and 2. If you have a truck and/or are willing to help with furniture pickups and drop offs please let me know! To sign up, please call **Jeannie McGinn** at 484-343-4577



THANK YOU

Copies of the Volary are provided today by
Howard Sundwall

END POLIO NOW

This October 24th is World Polio Day. You are invited to help with an awareness and fund-raising event at the historic courthouse at High and Market, in front of the "Old Glory" statue. The goal is to inform the community about Rotary and polio, the risks to children here and abroad and collect donations to finish the fight. If you would like to get involved in any way, please contact **Dwight Leeper, Cristina Combee** or **Carol Hanson**.

There will be some pre-event work to collect materials. Setup of the event would begin at 10am and consist of tables with literature relating to Rotary, polio eradication and vaccinations generally. We will approach passersby with information about Rotary and polio, while offering an opportunity to donate to our cause. Other Rotarians will politely and safely approach stopped cars with information about Rotary and polio, while offering an opportunity to donate to our cause as well. In the latter case, purple buckets will be offered for change, similar to the Penn State campaign. The event will conclude by 3pm. There will be some post-event cleanup.

Thank you for your service to Rotary and Rotary service.

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