



ROTARY:
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ROTARY VOTARY

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

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This Week: January 25, 2018

Rotoplast
Speaker: Paul Quintavalla

Next Week's Program: February 1, 2018

Classification and Reclassification Talks
Speakers: Brian Fahey and Paul Woodruff

MINUTES by Pat Barron

President Mickey Hall called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Recovering quickly when the designated deliverer of the invocation was a no show, Mickey gave the invocation and reminded us of all the benefits to ourselves and our community that come via Rotary. She then led us in singing the Rotary Song, written by Norris C. Morgan. I must confess I had never heard the song before, and I'm sure that I was not the only one.

- **Sergeant-at-Arms Brad Abel** told a joke that was apropos for the season about a woman taking the car out of the garage and parking it on the street, per instructions by the road department. Well... you had to be there to appreciate it fully. Maybe I'll tell the one about the man whose wife flew out of the car. On second thought, maybe I won't.
- We were honored by visiting Rotarian Bronwyn Martin, our district's Foundation Chair. We had several guests, including Terri Edgar, Melissa Baxter, and Ken Kline, all of whom are "in the queue", plus Liam Congleton, and Ryan Long, current student body president at West Chester University. Yeah, **Matt Holliday** introduced him. I bet you already guessed that one.
- **Catherine Friedman** announced that she was an empty nester now that both her children are living far away. I got the impression that she really wasn't too broken up about it. Someone is selling Girl Scout Cookies--I forget who [**Don Kohler**, ed]--so stay well away from anyone with an order form in his hand. You have been warned.

- There were two birthdays to celebrate. **Gary Hess** celebrated **Bill Ronayne's** birthday, which usually would be hard to upstage, but **Sue Casso Rogers** did it. She celebrated the 90th birthday of **Dr. Bob Poole**. Bob's four daughters donate \$90 to our club. Nothing for Bob, but he did get a nice glass out of the deal.
- We had several announcements:
 - ✓ Sell fruit! Post the online order form on Facebook to increase exposure. Order deadline is February 19. Pick up date is March 3.
 - ✓ February 9 - 11: RYLA conference.
 - ✓ February 21: Rotary celebrates the Chinese New Year at Margaret Kuo's restaurant.
 - ✓ April 20 - 22: Rotary District Conference.
 - ✓ June 23 - 28: Rotary International Convention in Toronto.

The 50-50 was won by guest Ken Kline.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Patty Roos

Mike Dunn, a board certified master arborist with Bartlett Tree Experts presented his classification talk.

Mike grew up in West Chester and was a graduate of West Chester East High School. He graduated from Shippensburg University with a degree in Environmental Geography and moved to Arizona where he took a job working for the Forest and Park Service. His first job was with Bandelier and work in burn operations with the Crew 5 Hotshots. What Mike did not expand on is that the Hotshots are a hand crew of 20 firefighters specially trained in wildfire suppression tactics. Hotshot crews are considered an elite group among wildland firefighters, due to their

extensive training, high physical fitness standards, and ability to undertake difficult, dangerous, and stressful assignments. They were stationed on the hardest spot of the forest fire. Mike fought fires in all the states out West.

In 2006 he returned to the East coast and started his own business called Preservation Tree. He merged this business with Bartlett Tree Experts.

Mike was married in 2010 and has two little boys. The answer to the question "Why Rotary" is that Mike wants to give back to the community that raised him.

He wants to educate the general public on the importance of trees and the environment. Mike wants to offer his expertise to better manage our community forest and help explore the psychological relationship between humans and trees. He would like to offer their resources at Bartlett to achieve these goals in West Chester. Bartlett Tree Experts does a seedling initiative every year and this year our club will be planting a tree for every member in our club sometime in April. On a personal note....Mike's favorite tree is the White Oak.

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by
Katie Martin of DNB First

NEW MEMBERS

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

Terri Edgar, Executive Director, West Chester Area YMCA; Classification - Non-profit Fitness & Child Care
Sponsored by **Tim Walsh**

Steve Bayles, President, Visual Technologies;
Classification - Commercial Photography
Sponsored by **Bill Friedmann**

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

Feb 22 Fruit Orders Due
Mar 3 Fruit Pick Up @ Duie Pyle
Calendar of events at:

<http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>

Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us



Rotary Fruit Sale Co-chair **Brian Fahey** (left) shows off one of the colorful signs being posted around town, with help from Domenic Lanciano of Pee Jay's Fresh Fruit, at the annual Rotary Fruit Sale kicked off January 11th. The sale will feature five choices of fruit items, from California Navel Oranges, to Florida Red Grapefruit, to Oregon/Washington Pears and two boxes of mixed fruits, ranging in price from \$26 to \$30. Similar to last year, buyers may choose to credit a charity of their choice from those who have qualified to participate: Chester County Family Academy, Chester County Volunteer English Program, Domestic Violence Center of Chester County, Friends Assn. for the Care and Protection of Children, Home of the Sparrow, Interfaith Housing and West Chester Area Senior Center. Buyers may also choose to purchase fruit to be donated to The West Chester Food Cupboard.

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