

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450 Ian Riseley, International President 2017-2018 Bulletin #20 www.WestChesterRotary.us November 30, 2017

This Week's Program: November 30, 2017

Next Week's Program: December 7, 2017

District Governor Dawn De Furia

CORS- Patients from Rwanda

MINUTES by Matt Holliday

President Elect Bill Friedmann opened the meeting, and **Gary Hess** gave the invocation.

We had one guest. **Mark Sammarone** introduced his daughter Chelsea Sammarone. There were no visiting Rotarians at the meeting.

Don Kohler gave two happy bucks because he was delivering the huge haul of popcorn that our club ordered from his son to support the Boy Scouts. Katie Decker gave a buck to remind everyone that the Ex Sgt. at Arms awards would be happening on Tuesday, November 21st at Side Bar at 5 pm. Catherine Friedman gave a happy buck to let everyone know that the Friends Association's Charity Ball is almost sold out, so if you want to attend on Saturday, December 2nd you should buy your ticket right away. Fran Curtin was happy that he got to spend some time at a show with his daughter. Linda Hicks did a happy buck to thank everyone for how generous they were to Stockings for Soldiers this year. Chelle Venema gave a happy buck for the Great Valley Rotary Club that is selling holiday wreaths as a fundraiser. If you are interested in buying one let her know.

Cathy Palmquist extended a warm birthday wish to Rabbi **Sue Greenberg**.

Matt Holliday gave the Vice President's Report on Linda Hicks and the huge way she is making a difference along with our club through the Stockings for Soldiers program. Linda partnered with the Chester County Government Administration Building and the Chester County Justice Center to triple the amount of donations we usually get as a club this year. Catherine Friedman made an announcement about our club work day, which would take place on Saturday, November 18th in part with the Chester

County Warehouse Project. **Katie Decker** made an announcement about our ringing of the bells project that we do for the Salvation Army every year. This year the project will take place on Saturday, December 9th, so please make sure you sign up to help. **Bill Friedmann** announced the proposed slate of officer and board of director members for the 2018/2019 Rotary year.

Mac Neilon won the 50/50 drawing, but didn't draw the Queen of Spades.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Glen Sweet

Classification Talk: Diana Liberi (Lee-beri – Italian pronunciation)

Wow, what a woman! Is there anything she can't do? The talk was peppered with photos and samples of her many talents.

Diana grew up in Glenolden, Delaware County. Her father was an engineer and her mother was the head of the School of Nursing at Presbyterian Hospital. She attended Interboro High School where she was in the marching band and chorus. She was also on the rifle team and helped them win the state championship. She is still a sure shot!

After high school Diana began WCU as biology major but decided that was not the field for her. She left school and worked at Good Fellowship where she met her husband. Her first house was in West Chester at the corner of New Street and Virginia Avenue. She worked as a bookkeeper for **Dan Cosgrove's** dad at Gerken Chevrolet.

Diana went back to school and graduated from WCU with a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's

degree in economics and finance. After graduation she first worked for APS Wireless and then Halloween Adventure. When Halloween Adventure relocated to New Jersey, she took a position with MacLaren Fabrication on Phoenixville Pike, in West Chester, where today she is the chief financial officer.

Diana has four children: two girls and two boys (Erica, Susan, Kevin, Derrick). The children were active in competitive swimming at the WCG&CC and WCU. Diana served as president of the Chester County country club swim teams organization as well as the WCU Golden Rams swim team.

NASCAR is Diana's favorite sport. She showed pictures and a video of NASCAR drivers and tracks. A few of her other activities are: singing in a choir; drawing (particularly flamingoes); crocheting; sewing; various crafts; and furniture refinishing. She likes to workout at LA Fitness, loves Charleston, S.C. (hello to **Craig Kalemjian**) and the Florida Keys. A photo of the "Fantasy Flash" (painted bodies) event in Key West provided a good laugh.

In answering, "Why Rotary?" Diana ended with a quote from the "Game of Thrones" High Sparrow: "There is so much good in all of us the best we can do is help bring it out".

THANK YOU

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SAVE THE DATE

Nov 18	Furniture Project pickup and delivery
Nov 21	Ex-Sergeant-at-Arms Awards
Nov 30	District Governor Dawn DeFuria's visit
Dec 14	Noon meeting cancelled
Dec 15	Holiday Party

Calendar of events at

http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

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