



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
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This Week's Program: October 1, 2015
Speaker: Dr. Jeff Chamberlain
Overcoming Stress in the Workplace

Next Week's Program: October 8, 2015
Chili Cook Off Meeting

MINUTES by Pat Barron

President Katie Martin called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. Those assembled sang "America" to **Faith Woodward's** keyboard accompaniment. The invocation was delivered by **Shauna Yeldell**, who read a prayer by Pope Francis, asking us to "serve selflessly".

- We were honored by a number of guests, including **Dan Cosgrove's** young daughter, who raised \$830 for autism assistance.
- **President Katie** reported that Rotarians raised \$200 by "dining out" at the Iron Hill Brewery last Friday.
- **President Katie's** Throw Back Thursday offering was a picture of Rotarians who participate in a pub crawl last year.
- **President Katie** reminded us of several important Rotary dates in the weeks to come.
 - ✓ October 11 is our annual Chili Cookoff in West Chester. If you have not yet volunteered, please do so on our website.
 - ✓ October 31 Foundation seminar at Montgomery Community College.
 - ✓ November 13 SASY Awards
 - ✓ November 14 District Conference
- Fellow Rotarian **Dave Wood** was injured in an airplane accident in Alaska in which others died. He will recover from his injuries, but he may not be able to return from Alaska for six weeks or more.
- **Phyllis Dunn** wished **Deb Sparre** a happy birthday.

- **Matt Holliday** wished **Chuck Swope** a happy birthday.
- **President Katie** announced that **Ernest Zlotolow** and **Bruce Beadle** shared Rotarian of the Month honors.
- The 50-50 was won by **Shauna Yeldell**

SPEAKERS' REVIEW by Pat Barron

Bob Frame introduced Jamie Lennon Louis, Director of Operations for Brandywine Ballet. Ms. Louis introduced two of her dancers, Chloe Montgomery and Leah Clouser, who demonstrated various standard positions and movements in ballet in addition to several costumes from the troupe's productions. The young ladies, very poised and very beautiful, demonstrated five standard positions of the feet and four standard positions of the arms, followed by beautiful (and undoubtedly difficult) standard movements. We learned that a big part of any troupe's budget is the cost of ballet shoes. A professional ballerina can wear out a pair of shoes in one performance!

Ballet was invented in Italy but turned into an art form by the French during the reign of King Louis XIV. Its most important centers have been France and Russia. Ballet got a huge boost in the U.S. in the 20th century by George Balanchine.

Brandywine Ballet (www.brandywineballet.org) is a 501C3 non-profit. It has three main parts. It tutors students from age 11 to 18. It has a theater company with nine professional dancers. It has a contemporary theater company, who explore more modern ballet. The troupe performs

three times each year at West Chester University in addition to other venues. WCU offers a certificate program to those who wish to continue to dance in college while pursuing another career path.

Following a short video of a recent performance, there was a business card drawing to award two free performance tickets. Bob Rogers was the fortunate winner. Ms. Louis informed us that Rotarians can get a discount by purchasing tickets on the troupe's website.

WHAT PEACE MEANS TO ME

People and nations worldwide observed the International Day of Peace on September 21, the date designated by the United Nations in 2001 "to be observed as a day of global ceasefire and nonviolence."

That commitment to peace is directly linked to goals pursued by Rotary members since The Rotary Foundation's mission to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace was proclaimed in 1917.

To fulfill that mission, Rotary conducts global forums, hosts international peace symposiums, continues its decades-long collaboration with the UN, and promotes initiatives such as the Rotarian Action Group for Peace.

Rotary's most tangible effort to build peace and promote conflict resolution is the Rotary Peace Centers program, established in 2002. Each year, the program prepares future leaders to work for peace through a two-year master's degree program or a three-month professional certificate program at Rotary's partner universities around the world.

Today, more than 900 of these peace fellowship alumni are applying their expertise -- easing tensions in border conflicts, drafting legislation to protect exploited children, providing security to diplomats, and pursuing many other career paths devoted to peace.

Learn how you can support Rotary Peace Centers at <https://www.rotary.org>

NEW MEMBER

The following individual has been proposed for membership and has indicated his desire to become a member:

Paul Cloug, Pastor at Christ Community Church
Classification - Pastor. Sponsor - **Dan Cosgrove**

If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary within three (3) days of this notice a date will be set for his induction.

SAVE THE DATE

Oct 11 Chili Cook Off
Oct 11 District Fundraising Dinner
Oct 23 District Fundraiser for Outward Bound
Nov 13 SASY Awards
Nov 14 District Conference

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

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