



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
 Mark Daniel Maloney, International President 2019-2020
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Program: July 25, 2019
School Shooting Situations
Speaker: District Attorney Tom Hogan

Program: August 1, 2019
A Four Way Test of Supervised Injection Sites
Speaker: Kenneth Ching

MINUTES by Faith Woodward

President Matt opened the meeting and **Jim Gasho** led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Having forgotten to prepare an invocation, **Faith Woodward** led us in a time of observed silence in the Quaker tradition.

Bob Rogers, new Sergeant-of-Arms, introduced our visitors: Doug Meis, Dwight McCawley, Claudie Brock, and Margaret Reif.

Visiting Rotarians were: Frieda Mattox (WEGO), Jim Horne (Longwood), and Chelsea Sammarone (Passport)

No one present had a birthday to celebrate.

Happy Bucks were given by: **John Schwab** (Thanking **Jack Wintermute** for organizing the Blue Rocks event), **Melissa Baxter** (Thanks for Rotarians who helped finish the project at the Domestic Violence Center and especially **Danielle Mortimer** for the cleaning by SERVPRO), **Rob Feenan** (**Jack Wintermute** saved his marriage by obtaining entrance to the Blue Rocks for his family and their friends when they had the wrong tickets), **Sue Greenberg** (she's back from a great Alaska trip and daughter back at work after a hospital stay for hepatitis).

Announcements: **Mac Neilon** reminded us to sign up for the Club service project to help at the Benchmark Twilight Criterium from noon to 11 PM.

President Matt invited us to check out the WC Press each week wherein **Bill Friedmann** writes an article. This past week his article featured young people helping through Rotary. Please get a copy and follow up with these great potential Rotarians!

Chris McCawley, Committee co-chair, recognized the Rotary Readers who read to K-5th graders for the past year: **Bob Poole**, **Bill Ronayne**, Dwight McCawley, Bob Struble, **Catherine Friedman**, **Lynn Childs**, **Faith Woodward**, **Joe Panaro**, **Paul Woodruff**, **Glen Jensen** (co-chair), **Chris Franz**, Marlou Dittoratus, **Sue Greenberg**, **Larry Miller**, and **Iliana Tati**. **Lynn Childs** reads for

the West Chester Friends School and suggests that we add their 2nd grade to the dictionary distribution each year.

The Furniture Warehouse was cancelled in July due to the oppressive weather and will resume in August.

John Schwab announced that anyone can sign up for a Leadership Chester County scholarship by contacting him.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Patty Roos

Classification talks

Debbie Ferry was born in Bethlehem, PA and is the oldest of 3 girls. Her dad was a Bethlehem Steel executive and her mom was a middle school Home Economics teacher. She feels lucky that she picked up both of their strongest and unique attributes that being her dad's finance knowledge and his love of sports and her mom taught her to sew and how to entertain.

She developed her love for West Chester in the 1960's when she would spend her summers with her uncle, a history professor at WCU and the ice hockey coach and her aunt, her special person. She attended college at West Chester in the 70's when the RAT played disco and on any given night someone was streaking across campus. Debbie majored in English and was college yearbook Sports Editor and the newsletter's track and field reporter.

Her jobs included collecting delinquent loans in Bethlehem and with Citicorp in NYC and then joining the commercial real estate team with Girard Bank where she took classes at Temple University's Real Estate Institute. She took classes in residential real estate but one class taught her how to build a house. This came in handy once she and her husband began buying and selling properties. She did give up banking but used her business knowledge to start a pet-sitting business.

In 2002 she changed her life around and was hired by the CCIU. She was a substitute teacher but

went on to become a job coach for special needs students. Her daughter is a head track and field college coach for a men's and women's college program and a college professor. Her son is in his third year of medical school. Debbie has volunteered for numerous organizations including Friends Association, serving on the auxiliary for many years. She has donated 6 gallons of blood which equates to 48 separate blood donations. She embraces West Chester and everything that it offers and feels lucky to have lived her life and raised her children in this amazing place.

Nancy Pine was born in Montgomery County on February 14th, the middle of 3 daughters (a wine, *Middle Sister* names this position). Even though all the women in her family were teachers, including her sisters, mother and both grandmothers, Nancy became a lawyer. She met and married her husband in Chester County – “Norm’s wife” and proud to claim him as her better half. She is still in the process of raising two children, Tyler graduated from Henderson and Sarah from Villa Maria.

She graduated from Dickinson College and the Dickinson School of Law in Carlisle. She began her legal career here in Chester County working for the Honorable Charles B. Smith as his law clerk. It was a wonderful opportunity that set the foundation for her legal career. Nancy has always practiced in Chester County. From 1997 – 2007 she was a partner at a large boutique employment law firm. For nine years she travelled around the country handling defense of gender class action for a major securities firm but realized she missed having actual clients.

After some soul searching, she decided to go to Villanova Law School to get her advanced degree in Estate Planning. In 2007 she left the law firm and went out on her own. Norm and Nancy have practiced together for the past seven years. They found it very rewarding working together and it provided flexibility while raising their children. Estate Planning and Elder Law is her passion. She believes knowledge is empowering and she takes every opportunity to speak to groups about the importance of estate planning.

Her community involvement has been as Past President of the Chester County Estate Planning Council, Past President and board member of The Wentworth, current board member of The Hickman and co-chair of the Hickman’s Art of Caring Gala. She was also chairman of the West Goshen Parks & Rec Board. Thanks to Judge Smith, West Chester has been her home since 1986. It’s a wonderful place with wonderful people and she also thanks **Sue Casso Rogers** for sponsoring her in Rotary.

THANK YOU

Copies of the Volary are provided today by **Michelle Venema** of Home of the Sparrow

COMMUNITY WAREHOUSE PROJECT

Our next volunteer workday for the Community Warehouse Project will be Saturday, August 17, 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, click. www.volunteersignup.org/YQEL7



SAVE THE DATE

Aug 10 Service project: Benchmark Criterium
Aug 17 Warehouse Project
Oct 13 Chili Cook Off

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

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