



# ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450  
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**This Week's Program: April 25, 2019**  
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**Next Week's Program: May 2, 2019**  
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## MINUTES by Winnie Stroup

The meeting was opened by **President Bill Friedmann** who explained that he was all dressed because he was attending his wife's graduation that afternoon.

Guests: **Jeannie McGinn's** friend Arlene Adam joined us for the second time. Arlene is the founding curator of the Cocoa Exchange! **Sue Greenberg's** son John visited from Israel. **Faith Woodward** introduced Lauren, her former colleague from Barclay Friends. **Bill Ronayne** introduced John who is a "comfort consultant." **Ernest Zlotolow** introduced Monica and Veronica from the Global Medical Fund and 5 children who are in the U.S. for orthopedic surgery at Shriner's Hospital.

**Matt Holliday** wished a Happy Birthday to **Dan Wilson**, noting that Dan loves to spend time with old people.

Happy Dollars: **Cristina Combee** thanked **Bob Frame** for doing a wonderful job as auctioneer at the Downingtown Senior Center event. **Cristina** is consulting with non-profits on fundraising and appreciates all the Rotarians who contributed to the Downingtown Senior Center. One week ago **Charles Streitwieser** and his wife attended 8 AM Mass at the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris – before the fire. **Matt Holliday** is happy that he has 2 tickets available for any Rotarian to purchase for the Chamber of Commerce \$10K Dinner. You do not need to be present to win. **Steve Bayles** is happy that he drove to the meeting with his daughter Sydnie (our speaker) and managed to not make her mad at him. **Sue Greenberg** is happy that we are about to celebrate Passover with its message of redemption.

Throwback. **President Bill** shared that in this week in 1984 the speaker didn't show up, so President

**John Wintermute** did a fine song and dance for the meeting. In 1991 Dana Parker, in financial aid at WCU, was inducted. And in 1995, **Gary Hess** joined the ranks of West Chester Rotary.

**Ernest Zlotolow** presented a donation from our Club to Monica as a representative of the Global Medical Fund. He chairs the CORS committee which includes **Cristina Combee, Carol Hanson** and **Charles Streitwieser**. They have a 3 multi-pronged strategy:

- Bring children in need of rehabilitation from countries around the world including Tanzania, Ruanda, and Nicaragua to the U.S. Children to receive surgery at no charge at Shriners hospitals and are fitted for prothesis on an ongoing basis. Housing is provided by the Global Medical Fund. Currently CORS focuses on donations to the fund.
- Support Medical teams traveling to countries to provide services locally.
- Support training for doctors from several countries. A recent 4-day training was held in Cuba. The U.S doctors provided classroom and surgery demonstrations. Ernest proudly pointed to his son in one of the pictures. A Cuban athlete was operated on by the team and will most likely be able to continue his Olympic career.

Please note the following key dates:

4/27 Rotarians at Work Day. We will be working with city of West Chester at the mayors request to clean Marshall Park. See **Mac Neilon** to volunteer.

4/30 CPC Grants applications are due. The link to the application is on the club web page. Encourage your contacts at nonprofits to apply.

5/5 The MS walk at East Goshen Park needs Rotary volunteers to sign people in etc.

5/13 is Rotary Night at the Blue Rocks.

The 50-50 has \$649 in the pot for the Chester County Children, Inc. The draw was won by one of the children with CORS for \$13 but he didn't draw the ace of spades.

### SPEAKERS REVIEW by Patty Roos

**Bob Frame** introduced Sydnie Bayles, daughter of **Steve Bayles**, who is an advocate for Alex's Lemonade Stand. Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation is an American pediatric cancer charity founded by Alexandra "Alex" Scott, who suffered from neuroblastoma. Alex was diagnosed with cancer shortly before her 1st birthday and in 2004 at the age of 8, she passed away. Her mission was to find cures for all children battling cancer. At the age of 4, she created Alex's Lemonade Stand to raise money. She had raised 1 million dollars by the time she was 8 years old and inspired a legacy of hope and cures for childhood cancer.

At the age of 2, Sydnie was inspired to help to raise money for pediatric cancer and wanted to sell lemonade. She would sit on her Dad's lap while the family sold the lemonade. By age 7 she was running the stand and now along with running the stand she is teaching others how to run a stand, baking and pursuing speaking engagements to raise awareness for funds needed for cancer research. For the past thirteen years, Sydnie has raised over \$ 219,000 for pediatric cancer. She was awarded the 2018 ALSF Stand of the Year. Her lemonade stand is open every Tuesday during the Eagleview Summer Concert series from June thru August in front of the Brickside Grill in Eagleview. Her fundraising goal for the end of this summer is \$ 250,000. There is no doubt in my mind that she will accomplish that!

### ROTARY FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING UPDATE

As of April 10, our club has raised \$10,488 for the Rotary International Foundation. Our club goal is \$11,800 this year, so we are getting close. As you know, Rotary's motto is "Every Rotarian, Every Year." This means that there is a global expectation for **every** member to make **some** contribution to the Foundation. The benchmark for giving is \$100 per member. Right now, our club average is \$86 per person. So close! Please help us achieve our goal!

### THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by **Brian Fahey** of West Chester Friends School.

### COMMUNITY WAREHOUSE PROJECT

Our next volunteer workday for the Community Warehouse Project will be Saturday, May 18, 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! Click on the link below to sign up. [www.volunteersignup.org/YQEL7](http://www.volunteersignup.org/YQEL7)



### SAVE THE DATE

Apr 27 Rotary at Work Day  
Apr 30 CPC Grants Due  
May 5 East Goshen MS Walk  
May 13 Rotary @ the Blue Rocks  
May 18 Community Warehouse Day  
Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at <http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>  
Add events: [calendar@westchesterrotary.us](mailto:calendar@westchesterrotary.us)

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