



# ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450  
Barry Rassin, International President 2018-2019

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**This Week's Program: March 21, 2019**  
**Classification Talk**  
**Speaker: Captain Jesus Corraliza**

**Next Week's Program: March 28, 2019**  
**Rotoplast Presentation**  
**Speakers: Mary Ellen Mahan and Mark Cunningham-Hill**

## MINUTES by Fran Luft

**President Bill Friedmann** opened the meeting. **Jeannie McGinn** gave the invocation an Irish blessing and story. Our lone visiting Rotarian was John Kuhns. Visitors included Patty Biffen, **Dave Biffen's wife**. Mariam Reed, daughter of **Sue Greenberg**. Jeff Spenser and Claudie Brock, wife of **Lynmar Brock**.

**President Bill** kicked off Happy Bucks by telling us today, March 14<sup>th</sup> is his daughter's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. **Don Kohler** was happy about a BBQ fundraiser. See Don for details. **Steve Founds** is happy after 50 years he sold his business. **Chris Feryo** is the new owner. **Mark Sammarone** announced a Chamber of Commerce training event by Disney on March 18<sup>th</sup>. **Debra Sparre** is happy about a free concert Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at the Church Farm School Chapel.

**President Bill** looking back at Rotary history noted a few of our current members induction dates and on March 18, 1921, 98 years ago a meeting was held to organize a West Chester Rotary club. A member fee of \$25.00. Dues were \$20 a year.

**Jack Wintermute** announced the Blue Rocks game, Monday May13th. Jack has tickets you can purchase.

**President Bill** mentioned upcoming events and programs such as a classification talk by **Jesus Corraliza**, upcoming SASY awards, the district conference at the Springfield Country Club, Rotary Leadership. Help is needed this Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> for the Warehouse project. Cleanup at Goose Creek is scheduled for April 13<sup>th</sup> and **Mac Neilon** is in charge and needs about 20 volunteers to help at

Marshall Square Park for Rotarians at Work Day April 27<sup>th</sup>. **President Bill** reminded us to help with the East Goshen MS Walk on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**President Bill** purchased the book **Bob Poole** wrote- "Reclaiming the Swamp."

The 50/50 was won by **President Bill**. **President Bill's** parting history quote of the day was from John F. Kennedy.

## SPEAKERS REVIEW by Pat Barron

**Dave Biffen's** wife Patty, a proud native of Coatesville, introduced James Ziegler, director of the National Iron and Steel Heritage Museum there.

The museum's website--[www.steelmuseum.org](http://www.steelmuseum.org)--has a wealth of information about what is available in Coatesville to learn more about this industry. I'll just hit some of Mr. Ziegler's highlights, such as that the plant in Coatesville is the longest running plant in continuous operation in North America. Wow, I had no idea! It started operations in 1739 and is still running.

I bet you didn't know that ninety percent of the ships in the US Navy fleet have some Coatesville steel plate. Steel from the Coatesville plant was used in the World Trade Center, and some of that steel was repatriated to Coatesville in a solemn convoy of well over twenty vehicles to construct a memorial park there. Coatesville steel was used in many prominent Philadelphia structures plus the Seattle Space Needle and the St. Louis Arch.

Museum property covers fourteen acres in Coatesville around the intersection of Routes 82 and 30. It's right in our backyard, so we all should visit.

## THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by  
**Melissa Baxter** of the Domestic Violence Center.

## PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

The following individuals have been proposed for membership and have indicated their desire to become members. If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary a date will be set for their inductions.

**Debbie Ferry:** Retired from Chester County Intermediate Unit; Classification: Retired

Sponsored by **Patty Jefferis**

**Jeff Spencer:** CEO / Chester County Council Boy Scouts of America, Classification: CEO Boy Scouts

Sponsored by **Don Kohler**

## SAVE THE DATE

Apr 13 Rotary CleanUp at Goose Creek

May 13 Rotary @ the Blue Rocks

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

Add events: [calendar@westchesterrotary.us](mailto:calendar@westchesterrotary.us)

## COMMUNITY WAREHOUSE PROJECT

Our next volunteer workday for the Community Warehouse Project will be Saturday, April 20 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)

## THE ROTARY CLUB BOARD of DIRECTORS

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Cynthia Rugart, Assistant Governor

Charles Streitwieser, P. D.G. '13-14 District 7450

Dwight Leeper, P.D.G. '12-13. District 7510

Robert Poole, P.D.G. '80-'81 District 7450

Lynmar Brock, Past Director of Rotary International,  
P.D.G. '77-78 District 7450

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