



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
John F. Germ, International President 2016-2017

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This Week's Program: January 26, 2017

Next Week's Program: February 2, 2017

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MINUTES by Marjorie Wentz

Prior to the start of the meeting, **Christine Wildauer** got up to answer questions that people submitted about the Fruit Sale. There were lots of questions about how to order online. You must select the charity, which is on a drop down menu and put the Rotarian's name in the available comments box.

At 12:20, **President Bob Rogers** opened the meeting. We said the Pledge of Allegiance and then **Shauna Yeldell** gave the invocation. She shared a passage from I Timothy and prayed for a peaceful transfer of power. **Catherine Friedman** then led us in God Bless America.

Brad Abel told his usually bad joke and then introduced the visiting Rotarians present: Reese Reynolds from Longwood and **Dave Haradon** our District Governor, also from Longwood.

We had quite a few guests: Amy Goldsmith just moved into town and contacted the club to attend our meeting. **Mickey Hall** introduced Bob, her husband. Brian Fahey was introduced by **Paul Woodruff**. Kyle Rheiner was introduced by **Matt Holliday**. **Catherine Friedman** introduced Kristin Merritt. **Winnie Stroup** brought her daughter Cynthia, who is interested in joining our club.

Happy Bucks were kicked off by **Catherine Friedman** was happy to announce the opening of Cabaret at the new theatre in town. **Patty Jefferis** was happy she didn't have to introduce Lynn Child's since she is finally being inducted today. **Andy Keen** was happy to be leaving for the Peace Corp in Guiana for 30 months.

Carol Hanson wished a happy birthday to someone she went on a double date with many years ago ... **John Schwab**. He just turned 70! **Ken Hickman** gave birthday wishes to a brilliant scientist, who is multi-lingual, a PhD with legendary dancing ability... **Bert Volger**. **Jack Wintermute** wished **John**

Olzewski a very happy birthday. **Steve Quigley** offered birthday wishes to **Doctor Robert Poole...** 89 years old. **President Bob Rogers** wished a happy birthday to **Bill Ronayne** and to **Katie Martin**.

Jack Wintermute presented the 50/50 check to **Steve Quigley** for the West Chester Area Senior Center.

The Talbots fundraiser realized \$675 for the West Chester Rotary Club Foundation.

Marjorie Wentz announced that we need a second host family for Gabriel.

Elizabeth Guman informed us about the survey coming out for all club members. It will be emailed, with hard copies available at the next 2 meetings. The results will be used by the board in their spring strategic planning retreat.

Carl Werner announced the upcoming Rotary Leadership seminars.

Michelle Venema won the 50/50.

SPEAKER'S REVIEW By Elizabeth Guman

District Governor Dave Haradon led the first part of our program with recognition of our latest Paul Harris Fellows: **Gary Hess, Paula Ott, Steve Quigley, Ken Hickman** (plus 1), **Tim Walsh** (plus 3), **David Wood** (plus 2), **Joanne Tadeo** and **Joe Panero**. He gave a special recognition to **Sue Greenberg** (who was not there because she is traveling in Israel) for her plus 5.

DG Dave then inducted three members into our club: **Lynne Childs, Christian Merritt** and **Dave Wilson**. He celebrated that they were the 1,222,727th, 1,222,728th, and 1,222,729th members of Rotary International. He reminded them that as a Rotarian

they needed to stand for integrity, community service, be a leader in the community and that Rotary's values were now in their safe-keeping. He also welcomed two transfers into our club: **Phil McFadden** from Sunrise and **Charles Streitwieser** from Longwood.

The second part of our program was a classification talk by **Pat Runyen**. Pat was born in Philadelphia in 1983. They moved to Richboro and he attended Council Rock High School where he played basketball and football. He earned a bachelors in Finance at St. Joe's and his MBA at LaSalle.

Pat is married to Ann. They have a son Archie and are expecting their second child in May. He's lived in Charleston, S.C., and Denver, CO. He's traveled to 38 of the 50 states and has a goal to get to all 50. A fun fact he shared is that he gained 4 more pounds during his wife's pregnancy with their first child than she did. Another fun fact is that he got his picture taken with Muhammed Ali when crossed paths with him at a hotel and Muhammed Ali was flirting with his (then) girlfriend.

Pat is a CPA and financial planner with Independence Advisors. He started his career at Price Waterhouse Cooper where he did audits for the Eagles and 76ers. He then moved doing tax work.

Pat and Ann now live in the borough. He is involved in several service areas already, including serving on the board of Carelink Community Service and Fred's Footsteps. Pat talked about how welcomed he felt when he visited the club for the first time and was warmly greeted by **Dan Cosgrove** who then introduced him to other members. He's excited about being part of our club and hopes to be in **Dr. Poole's** spot one day as a long-time member of our club celebrating his 89th birthday!!

**FROM DISTRICT 7450 – DAVE HARADON
DISTRICT GOVERNOR - 2016-17**

THANKS so much for hosting my visit to the West Chester Rotary Club last week.

You have such a marvelous Rotary Club...I am always inspired by the wonderful members you have surrounding you and the EXTRAORDINARY things you do to make your community a better place to live for everyone!

Take care.... and THANKS again for the invitation to join you yesterday. I look forward to seeing you all again soon!

SAVE THE DATE

Jan 26 Super Seminar - Gundaker Foundation
Feb 9 Super Seminar – Membership
Feb 19 Fruit Orders Due
Mar 11 Pick up Fruit

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

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by
Tim Walsh of YMCA of Greater Brandywine



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Gabriel Bay from Rafaela, Argentina
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