

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

District 7450

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Week # 13 September 26, 2024

CLUB MEETING ~ September 19, 2024

Minutes by Brian Fahey



Call to Order by Past President **Rich Murray**, subbing for vacationing President Catherine

Pledge of Allegiance led by **Rita Brouwer-Ancher**

Invocation offered by **Don Neimetz**

VISITING ROTARIAN

Chuck Heckenberger from Harleysville Rotary (see Happy Bucks announcement below)

GUESTS

Paul Woodruff introduced his wife **Marcia** and daughter **Paula**

BIRTHDAYS

Jeff Cantwell wished happy birthday to **Randy Lindel**

Mac Neilon wished happy birthday to **Jeannie McGinn**

NEW MEMBER INDUCTION

Past President **Chelle Venema** inducted **Chirs Zaccarelli**, CEO of the Crime Victims' Center of Chester County, into membership in Rotary and our club. Chelle asked us to reflect on our own reasons for joining Rotary and on all of the good that Rotary does in the world.



SEPTEMBER ROTARY TRIVIA CHALLENGE

When was the first service project of the first Rotary club and what was the activity? In the absence of the answer box at today's meeting, email your answer to President Catherine to be eligible for the correct answer drawing next week.

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TODAY'S PROGRAM ~ September 26

WCU President **Dr. Laurie Bernotsky**
West Chester University: The Next Chapter

NEXT WEEK ~ October 3

Community Philanthropic Grant Recipients

~ PROGRAM ~

RECLASSIFICATION TALKS



STEVE QUIGLEY

Steve was born in Iowa and grew up on a farm. After high school, he studied civil engineering at Iowa State. He moved to California and joined Navy Officer Candidate School, later getting an assignment in Virginia and later a post in Washington D.C., where he met his wife. He had numerous assignments in the Navy, including time in Viet Nam, managing the acquisition of hotels and offices. He later was stationed in San Diego and lived in Coronado. An interesting tour was on an island in the Indian Ocean called Diego Garcia. They built a base there that has now become a large city. In 1989, Steve came to West Chester and worked at West Chester University and helped them expand their campus footprint. He chaired the Master Plan Committee at the University. He also helped the West Chester Senior Center acquire a new facility. Steve was President of our club in 2004-2005.

PAUL WOODRUFF

Paul hails from Harbor Springs, MI. He was born in his Mother's beauty salon. His family moved to Lansing, where he went to high school and where he met his wife. Their first date was at a basketball game. He and his wife both went to

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HAPPY BUCKS

Chuck Heckenberger is happy that he and his wife have found a new house in West Goshen and will be moving soon – and joining our club!

Mark Sammarone is happy to have played golf at the West Chester Golf and Country Club with **Jim Gasho**.



Sue Casso Rogers is happy to have played golf with husband **Bob**, **Joe Driscoll** and **Rob Sparre** recently. **Ame Driscoll** and **Deb Sparre** joined for dinner.

Mark Sammarone is happy about his new neighbors, who are Rotarians.

Miranda Reilly is happy that her friend will be on *The Voice* this season.

Sue Flynn is happy that her son-in-law, **Dr. Molnar**, has set up a practice in West Chester.

Deb Sparre is happy about being a grandmom again, about having sold a house this week and about attending the Up On the Roof program that was chaired by **Mark Sammarone**.

John Schwab is happy about having had a couple of beers at Locust Lane, where **Jeff Cantwell** was a guest bartender.

Bill Winters is happy about the 25th anniversary of Collegium Charter School.

Steve Bayles is happy about spending \$100 at Iron Hill Brewery, supporting our fundraising effort.

Rich Murray is happy about the Rotary Foundation and their work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Iron Hill Brewery Donate 20% Fundraiser** is ongoing every Wednesday this month

Rich Murray is looking for a club team for the **Chili Cook-Off**

Drinks With The D-G – September 30 – a new program initiated by District Governor Francy Cross. Registration info in *News You Can Use*.

The next club **Happy Hour** Networking event is on October 2nd 5:30-7:30 at the home of **Bob Frame**

Mac Neilon announced that the next **Project C.U.R.E.** work session is Saturday, October 5th

Chelle Venema reminded us that we will have a float in the West Chester Christmas Parade in December

Steve Quigley is leading a golf outing on September 27th

50-50 RAFFLE

Mark Sammarone had the winning ticket, but the Queen of Spades remained elusive. The jackpot grows.



Paul Woodruff continued

Michigan State University. Paul worked at Dow Chemical after graduation in the Industrial Pollution Control Group. He later worked at Westin Engineering and moved to Newtown Square in 1963. The company experienced rapid growth and then Paul formed his own company at age 40, called ERM. That company also saw rapid growth across the globe, in over forty countries. The business focused mostly on industrial clients. He restructured the company later and then retired. Paul and his wife had six children. He has twenty grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren at the latest count.

Paul joked that being here for sixty-two years does not make him a native because it takes about two hundred years to be considered a native of Chester County!

Paul joined Rotary fifty-two years ago. The club gave him and his wife the opportunity to get to know others in the community and because of the opportunities for service. He was President of our club in 1984-1985 and has been involved in several Rotary projects, including providing potable water for a community in Mexico, and raising money for rural communities in Kenya to provide water and medical clinics. He has also been active in the YMCA, The United Way and other community groups. He is active in three boards currently. He enjoys swimming and bicycling. He achieved a bucket list



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