

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

District 7450

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Week # 35 February 26, 2026

CLUB MEETING ~ February 19, 2026 Minutes by Joe Driscoll

The meeting was opened by **President Kyle Rheiner**
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **District Governor Jan Biros** from Phoenixville Rotary
A “very short” invocation was offered by **Howard Sundwall**

VISITING ROTARIANS

Jan Biros, District Governor; **PDG Peter Mardinly** (Media), District Foundation Chair; **Rick Stevenson**, Greater WC Sunrise; **Nancy Lindel**, WC Passpoort.

GUEST

Mike Louis hosted **Luis Molavoque**, who credited Rotary Clubs in assisting him to get established in KLM Electric.

Bill Rettew, writer for the *Daily Local News*, is now in the queue for membership in our Club and former member, **Rick Dunlap**, who was officially presented his Rotary name badge today by **Sue Casso-Rogers**.



BIRTHDAYS

Glen Sweet extended wishes to **Catherine Friedman**;

Steve Brown toasted **Mac Neilon**.



GRATEFUL GOLDFISH

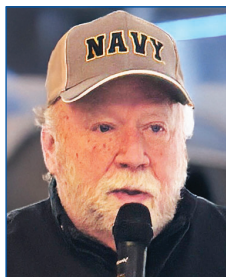
Chuck Heckenberger expressed gratitude for a recent good health report

Andrew Stump is happy he has a second grandson

William Pasquale looks forward to a successful shoulder operation

Shellia Coleman is grateful for a good knee report

Chris Zaccarelli expressed her gratitude for a successful Victim Advocacy event and its sponsors



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TODAY'S PROGRAM ~ February 26 Community Partner Presentation ~ F4

NEXT WEEK ~ March 5 Community Volunteers in Medicine

FEBRUARY 19 PROGRAM Rotary Foundation Awards

District Governor **Jan Biros** read a letter to our club from Rotary Foundation Chair **Holger Knaack** and presented an award to **President Kyle Rheiner** recognizing our club achievement of \$1 million in all-time contribution to the Foundation.

PDG Peter Mardinly, 7450 Foundation Chair, presented **Randy Lindel** the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service for his work developing new Foundation programs in our District.



Shellia Coleman Classification Talk

Shellia Coleman's early life was as a “military brat” – who moved a lot for her her Dad's service in the Armed Forces of our Country. Eventually, her family settled in Delaware County.

She pursued her college degree at West Chester University where she earned her bachelors degree in psychology.

She has had many jobs to date, but has most recently been at West Chester's Safe Harbor, where she was just promoted to Director of Operations at this wonderful shelter for local area homeless.

Shellia loves to sing and contributes her talents by singing in her church choir on Sundays. In her spare time, she enjoys reading romance novels.

The “sweet” person our Rotarian is, Shellia continues to spear head the monthly contributions from her fellow Rotarians to donate desserts which she brings to the folks at Safe Harbor.



Grateful Goldfish continued

Catherine Friedman enjoyed her family vacation in Canada, especially the ice canoeing on the St. Lawrence River

Steve Bayles expressed gratitude over three new committee members and more bag donations for the upcoming Hand-bag Bingo.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rick Stevenson of the WC Sunrise Club distributed flyers on the upcoming **Trivia Night** on May 15, 2026 at the Goodwill Fire Copmany.

William Pasquale conducted a survey on behalf of the Communications Committee, aka "Comm Comm" seeking information from the members how they obtain their local area news as well as Rotary News.



John Schwab presented the **Vocational Service Chair Pin** to **Tom Rowlands**.

The **Marshall Square Park Cleanup** will be April 18, 2026.

2026-2027 CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

A 2026-27 slate was presented by club Secretary **Sue Casso-Rogers** and was unanimously approved by the Club membership.

- President: Mike Louis
- President-Elect: Steve Bayles
- Vice President: Phil McFadden
- Secretary: Sue Casso-Rogers
- Treasurer: Diana Liberi
- Sgt. at Arms: Bob Rogers
- Directors: Rita Brouwer-Ancher, Glenda Brion, Sue Flynn, Bob Frame, Chuck Heckenberger, Nate Miller, Miranda Reilly, Jeff Spencer, Howard Sundwall

ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH

President Kyle presented January Rotarian of the Month recognition went to **Michael Karwic**.



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PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

Club Foundation Co-Chair **Bill Ronayne** with **Randy Lindel** (subbing for Co-Chair **Mark Sammarone**) presented Paul Harris pins for generous contributions to The Rotary Foundation. First Paul Harris Awards went to **Steve Bayles** and **Mike Louis**. PHF+1 pinso to **Glenda Brion** and **Howard Sundwall**. PHF+3 to **Ernest Zlotolow**. PHF+4 to **Mark On’Neill** and PHF+5 pins to **Steve Brown** and **Gary Hess**. Congratulation and thank you to all.



TRIFECTA DRAING

Christine Scott was the ticket winner netting her \$15.00, but, alas, she pulled the Ace of Spades, not the Queen.



TED LASSO SAYS

“Boy, I love meeting people’s moms. It’s like reading an instruction manual as to why they’re nuts.”

BOARD of DIRECTORS 2025-2026

- President Kyle Rheiner
- President-Elect Mike Louis
- Vice President Steve Bayles
- Treasurer Diana Liberi
- Secretary Sue Casso Rogers
- Sergeant-at-Arms Bob Rogers
- Immediate Past President Catherine Friedman
- Directors-at-Large Rita Brouwer-Ancher, Glenda Brion, Jeff Cantwell, Sue Flynn, Chuck Heckenberger, Phil McFadden, Nathan Miller, Miranda Reilly, Jeff Spencer
- District Governor, District 7450 Jan Biros (Phoenixville)
- P.D.G. ’13-14 District 7450 Charles Streitwieser
- P.D.G. ’12-13 District 7510 Dwight Leeper

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

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