

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

District 7450

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Week # 42 April 17, 2025

CLUB MEETING ~ April 10, 2025

Minutes by Brian Fahey

Call to Order by **President Catherine Friedman**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Katie Martin**

An invocation was offered by **Chelle Venema**



VISITING ROTARIAN

Aaron Tsai from the Wayne Rotary. He is moving to Pittsburgh soon and wanted to visit our club before he moves. He is a volunteer with the Shen Yun performing arts company.



GUEST

John Schwab introduced **Ken Marks** – a potential future member?



BIRTHDAY

Glen Sweet wished happy birthday to **Sue Casso Rogers**

AND THEN

Sue Casso Rogers wished happy birthday to **Christine Scott**



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TODAY'S PROGRAM ~ April 17

Club Business

Classification Talks: **Connell O'Brien / Chris Zaccarelli**

NEXT WEEK ~ April 24

Jeff Hunt, CEO

The Haven Behavioral Hospital

~ PROGRAM ~

Cori Trice, Watershed Coordinator

Gaye Lynn Criswell, Outreach Coordinator

Chesco Conservation District

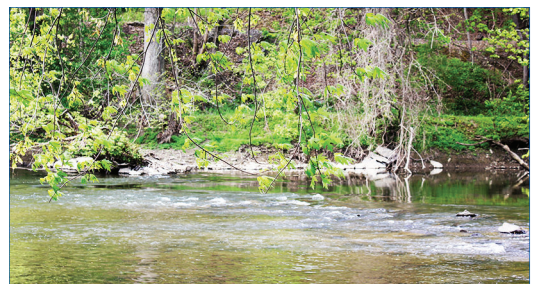
Deb Sparre introduced Cori Trice and Gaye Lynn Criswell from the Chesco Conservation District. They work with an agricultural team and



an urban team to promote the sustainable use of natural resources – primarily soil and water – through educational and technical assistance.

Gaye Lynn is the Outreach coordinator for the Urban Team, which addresses erosion and runoff control, and inspection of construction sites, among other things. The agricultural team Helps landowners plant trees on their properties, plant trees in parks, and also at schools. The Trees for Watersheds Program, gives grants that provides free trees to those who wish to plant them. There is a Conservation Trailer that is available to volunteer organizations who are working on planting, cleanup, removal of invasive species etc.

The Brandywine Creek Cleanup takes litter out of the Brandywine. It will be held on April 26th this year.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are actively selling **Rotary Raffle tickets**. The raffle drawing is on June 19th.

Coming Together Conversations - President Catherine would like to have conversations with people from all walks of life to get together and discuss different topics and work to understand the perspectives of others.



Marshall Square Park Clean-up will occur on April 26th. Lunch at the Rpgers house will follow. April 24th-30th is **World Immunization Week**.

On April 26th, our club will be partnering with the SPCA in their **Walk for Paws**.

NorthStar will be holding their 5-K on April 26th.

ROTARY TRIVIA CHALLENGE

April Quiz:

According to Rotary International how many clubs and how many Rotarians are there worldwide? (numbers are approximated)



Email your answer to President Catherine at cfriedrotary@gmail.com for a chance to win another “fabulous” prize.

HAPPY BUCKS

Deb Sparre is happy that she welcomed a new grandchild to her family, **William Doyle Hawkins**.



Sue Casso Rogers is happy that this weekend is the occasion of The Master’s golf tournament and that next weekend is the RBC Heritage Classic at Harbortown, in Hilton Head, SC. Sue wore her red and black plaid jacket in recognition of the tournament, as the winner receives a red and black plaid jacket. She also wore the jacket as a way to wish her ladies golf team good luck this season.

Sue is also happy about receiving an email from a talent agency who is looking for models, age 25-65. If any in our number have ever wanted to be an on-air model, now is the time!

Chelle Venema is happy that her niece’s collegiate swim team did so well at the NCAA championships.

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Happy Buck continued

Katie Martin is happy that First Resource Bank is holding a shredding event next Saturday, from 9 AM-noon, supporting Safe Harbor.

Steve Quigley is happy to have spent time with a former Rotarian **Kevin Quinn** from our club last week.

Randy Lindel is happy about the the special dinner event tonight sponsored by the Passport Club at PJ Whelihan’s.

Catherine Friedman is happy that **Amna Salahuddin** is back home safe and sound from her travels. She is also happy to be fostering a sweet, elderly dog.

Suzette Connors is happy to be driving again after her surgery. Welcome back Suzette!



50-50

Randy Lindel purchased the winning ticket, but did not draw the Queen of Spades. Rats!



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