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# ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450  
Shekhar Mehta, International President 2021-2022

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## CLUB MEETING MINUTES

For April 28, 2022

By Jill Stoltzfus

**President Steve Brown** called meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance led by **Past President Michelle Venema**

Invocation- **Katie Martin** (Shel Silverstein poem about money)

No Visiting Rotarians

New incoming Rotarians (not official yet) **Kate Diffenderfer, Rita Brouwer-Ancher** and **Jeff Cantwell**

No Birthdays

Happy Bucks:

-**Katie Martin**-reminder FREE Shred event sponsored by First Resource Bank and supporting Salvation Army

-**Bill Ronayne**-Friday 4/29 4:00 PM Food Truck event at FAME Fire House

-**Nathan Keisler**-Tonight 4/28 *West Chester Communities That Care* Suicide Prevention Training at West Chester East High School 6:00

-**Paul Woodruff**-Cheers and remembrance to Bob Poole

-**Jim Gasho**-Timothy's in Exton Live Band Friday night 4/29 and celebrating 34<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

-**Doug Meis**-enjoys getting together with fellow Rotarians

Announcements:

-**Mac Neilon**-Tree planting 5/14 Stroud Preserve

-**Sue Casso Rogers**-Rotary glasses for sale \$10 each

-**John Schwab**-Music Festival where you can sign up to volunteer to host the information booth for Rotary

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

**May 5, 2022**

**Speaker: Loretta Cohen - Community Mobilizer -WC Communities That Care**

**May 12, 2022**

**Program about Longwood Gardens**

**Sue Casso Rogers, Michelle Venema** and **Gary Hewitt** already signed up)

-**Carol Hanson**-Recently attended Rotary District Conference and willing to provide a matching grant up to \$1,000 for donations to The Gundaker Foundation Ukrainian Relief Fund for Ukrainian refugees (5 million now) in Poland.

Program:

Presented by Berta Aldrich, Business Strategist, on her book *The Talent Shift Three Secrets to Outperforming during Periods of Disruption*.

-Revisit your company vision and strategy

-Recalibrate your current and future leaders

-Reinfuse purpose at the individual level

Donated 3 books to raffle ticket holders. Winners:

**John Schwab**

**Doug Meis**

**Steve Devine**

Adjournment-**President Steve Brown**

Lessons taught by his mother- joy of receiving, religion, stamina, and irony.

50/50 **Mickey Hall** \$13 winner

## EVENTS CALENDAR

|        |                                  |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| May 14 | Tree planting at Strode Preserve |
| May 21 | Community Warehouse Project      |
| May 27 | CCPC grant applications due      |
| June 5 | Help @ Turks Head Music Festival |
| Oct 9  | Chili Cook-Off                   |

## STROUD PRESERVE - WEST CHESTER

Stroud Preserve is a mosaic of once-pastured grasslands, working farmlands, and woodlands that serves as a unique site for recreation, education, and scientific research. Here, you can see the needs of people and nature in balance as careful stewardship of both cultivated and “wild” areas restores vital wildlife habitat while also protecting watersheds that provide drinking water for tens-of-thousands of people.

We will plant 100 trees in honor of our club's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary last year. Please sign up with Mac Neilon to help.



## COMMUNITY WAREHOUSE DONATION DAY

Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, May 21 from 9a-1p is our next Community Warehouse donation day.

For complete information go to: [communitywarehouseproject.com](http://communitywarehouseproject.com). Call us for ways to get donations over to the warehouse too.

Contact: **Jeannie McGinn**; 484-343-4577 cell  
[JMcGinn@VisitingAngels.com](mailto:JMcGinn@VisitingAngels.com)

## DONATE NOW: DISTRICT 7450 GUNDAKER FOUNDATION UKRAINIAN RELIEF FUND from DG Roger Taylor

As of today, more than 1.9 million Ukrainian refugees — mostly women and children — have crossed the border into Poland.

You can now make a monetary donation to the [Rotary District 7450 Gundaker Foundation Ukrainian Relief Fund](#). It will provide direct financial support for Rotary District 2231, which covers all of Poland. That district has organized an impressive relief effort, led by DGE Piotr Jankowski (in picture). Their Rotarians are providing housing, food, medical and other supplies, transportation, and care for refugees. They are also coordinating relief efforts at the border with Rotary in Ukraine.

Please consider donating to the [Rotary District 7450 Gundaker Foundation Ukrainian Relief Fund](#). See **Carol Hanson** for her matching contribution offer.

## VOTARY COPIES

Thank you, **Randy Lindel** for printing copies of the Votary this month.

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