ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

District 7450 www.WestChesterRotary.us **Week # 3 July 18, 2024**

CLUB MEETING ~ July 11, 2024
Minutes by Anne Driscoll

WELCOME PRESIDENT CATHERINE

Call to Order by new **President Catherine Friedman**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Gary Hess**

Invocation was a Cherokee blessing from **Bryan Fahey**

VISITING ROTARIAN

Dennis Wallace from the West Chester Sunrise Club, guest of **Carol Hanson**

GUESTS

Christine Zacarelli, CEO of The Crime Victims Unit of Chester County, guest of **Michelle Venema**

Dr. Derek Gilmore, Chief Administrative and Operations Officer of Cheney University, guest of **Lona O'Neill**

Otto Schaefer, guest of **Chris Scott**

Connell O'Brien who is in the membership queue, guest of **John Schwab**

BIRTHDAYS

Steve Quigley greeted by **Joseph Driscoll**

Jim Gasho greeted by **Gary Hess**

Charles Streitwiesser greeted by **Carol Hanson**

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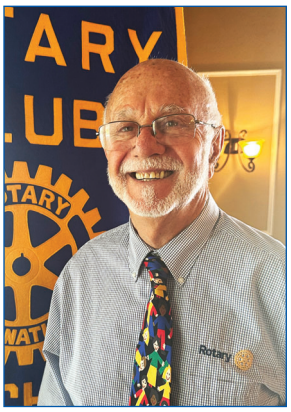
TODAY'S PROGRAM ~ July 18
Club Business
Classification Talk by Jeff Fullerton

NEXT WEEK ~ July 25
To Be Announced

~ PROGRAM ~
Past District Govergor Paul Quintavalla
"Rotary Beginnings"



Rotary International was founded in 1905 in Chicago by Paul Harris. Attorney Harris convened the first Rotary meeting on February 23. Harris envisions a professional club that brings together local men from a variety of vocations. By all accounts, Mr. Harris was quite a character, rebel and a daredevil. He attended many different schools in his early life and travelled extensively. These travels took him to Vermont, Iowa, California, Colorado, Louisiana, Florida, Greece, Italy, Scotland, Pennsylvania, New York and Illinois!

The structure of Rotary began primarily with a small grouup of businessmen who took their brown paper bag lunches and rotated their lunch meetings at different offices to learn about different professions - from that came the name Rotary!!!!

In October of 1907, the Rotary Club of Chicago met with civic organizations to discuss the need for comfort stations (public toilets) to improve sanitation in the city. That became Rotary's first service project!

As we know, Rotary adopted service as its mission and has provided millions of projects to benefit communities, including a major effort to eradicate Polio.

The Rotary Club, Nationally and Internationally, has a rich and powerful footprint and has affected so many lives. It continues to enrich and improve lives around the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Catherine Friedman presented a beautiful video entitled "Mission Moments" highlighting ***Rotarians - People of Action*** and focusing on the many good works done by our organization.

Catherine Friedman - begins her new reign with a **monthly Trivia Challenge**. This month's question is: ***Rotary has 2 mottos, what are they?*** Write it down and submit it. There will be a drawing with a prize each month!!

Mac Neilon is looking for volunteers for a **Project C.U.R.E. service project** on August 3rd in West Grove from 10AM to 12PM packaging medical supplies.

Steve Quigley - Rotary Golf Outing - July 19 - several tee times have been arranged at 4PM at Downingtown Golf and Country Club followed by fellowship, food and beverages. Contact Steve to sign up - quigsteve@aol.com

Catherine reported that the Sunrise Club is sponsoring a **Rotary Youth Exchange student from Germany** this coming school year who will be going to Henderson High School. They are looking for **host families** for 2-3 months. Hosts need not be Rotarians. Contact Catherine if you know of a host family possibility.

Our first **"Drinks with the DG"** is scheduled for July 25,2024 from 6PM to 9PM at the home of Chad and Jennifer Rosenberg 102 Newcomen Rd., Chester Springs. PA 19425

August 14 - Fellowship Happy Hour at the home of **Steve Bayles** from 5 pm to 7 pm

Our sister club **exchange trip to Tigre, Argentina** has been postponed to the Fall of 2025. **Ernest Zlotolow** has details.

If your **headshot photo** is missing from the Clubrunner app, please email one to **Randy Lindel** - rlindel@gmail.com - or ask **Suzette Webb** or **Anne Driscoll** to take one for you at a club meeting,

If you have an event coming up, it can be **represented on screen by slide** at our meetings!! Send your slide or info to **President Catherine**.

Keep up to date on our District by accessing the **District Newsletter Online** - rotarydistrict7450.org

HAPPY BUCKS

Cathy Palmquist - happy to celebrate her **63rd wedding anniversary**

Sue Casso Rogers - happy to extend an invitation to **Chamber of Commerce Christmas event** on July 25, see *News You Can Use* newsletter for details.

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Happy Bucks continued

Catherine Friedman - happy to be here

Carol Hanson - happy that the International Service Committee's application for a **District Grant** has been approved

Dennis Wallace - happy for Catherine and Paul

Glenda Brion - happy for the Communications Committee and asks all Rotarians to **"follow"** the club pages on social media and **"share"** them. It will help get our message out.

Mac Neilon - requests club member help getting a **vehicle/trailer/float** for our participation in the 2024 West Chester **Christmas Parade**. Fun and exciting details to follow!

Jeff Cantwell - happy **Fiorenza's Food For Friends** taking over the **Chili Cook Off** which scheduled for Sunday, October 6. They are looking for volunteers to help with committees to plan the event. Contact Jeff if you can help.

50-50

The 50-50 was won by **Dennis Wallace, but he didn't** draw the Queen of Spades

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