



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
 Mark Daniel Maloney, International President 2019-2020
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<p>Program: February 13, 2020 Speaker: Josip Turk - Exchange Student from Croatia His life in Croatia and as an exchange student</p>	<p>Program: February 20, 2020 Club Business</p>
<p>MINUTES by Faith Woodward and Winnie Stroup</p> <p>President Matt Holliday opened the meeting. Bill Ronayne led the Pledge of Allegiance and Steve Quigley gave the invocation. Sergeant of Arms, Bob Rogers, returned from vacation.</p> <p>There were no visiting Rotarians but several guests. Phyllis Dunn introduced Stephen Stern; Diana Garrett joined Phil Bieg; Megan van Riet introduced Francisco Zambano and Claudie accompanied her husband, Lynmar Brock.</p> <p>No Rotarian celebrated a birthday. Several were happy. Arlene Adam attended a Souper Bowl and raised funds for a Rotary and she won a sales incentive trip to the Grand Canyon. Sue Casso Rogers is happy that <u>Vista Today</u> named Jack Ellis and Matt Holliday "Superstars." Matt said that the 126 Rotarians in the Club are his Superstars. Carol Hanson is looking forward to a trip to Florida for 2 weeks. Phyllis Dunn and Don will be a week ahead of Carol with a trip to Arizona next week. Don Kohler is proud and happy that his daughter has made the National Honor Society. Megan van Riet celebrated her 8th Yoga Studio anniversary and had taught 20,000 students by the end of 2019. Fran Curtin is happy about Arlene's Souper Bowl contribution.</p> <p>Announcements: Bill Friedmann announced the slate of officers for 2020-2021. Christine Wildauer announced that we have \$4,000 in Fruit sales. There are only 10 days remaining to sell. Consider making donations. The proceeds go to the Volunteer English Program.</p> <p>Phil McFadden and Gary Hess are co-chairing the Rotary Foundation semi-monthly appeal. The goal is to raise \$11,000 annually or \$100 per member. We are currently on track to make \$8000. Since inception the Club has donated \$900,000. An easy way to contributed is thru Rotary Direct – an automatic monthly charge to a credit card. Phil and Gary announced new Paul Harris Fellows. (Rotarians</p>	<p>who have donated \$1000 to the Rotary Foundation.) Each received a pin: Steve Quigley received his 4th; Steve Brown his 4th, Patty Jefferis, her 2nd; Dave Wood, his 3rd, Sue Greenberg her 6th, the Ruby level; Winnie Stroup, her 2nd, Bill Winters his 2nd and Chris Feryo, his 2nd.</p> <p>Bill Friedmann led the induction of new member Jim Nelson whose sponsor is Carol Hanson. Jim is the 127th member of our club. Bill reviewed the 4-way test and suggested that Rotarians are motivated by values and we are the ongoing trustees of Rotary ideals.</p> <p>SPEAKERS REVIEW by Brian Fahey</p> <p>Our speaker was Christine Zacarelli, the CEO of The Crime Victims Center of Chester County. She shared with us the many services that the CVC offers. They are a nonprofit agency providing free, immediate, and confidential crisis response and compassionate support to children and adults impacted by crime and violence. The CVC provides assistance through counseling, advocacy, resources, and education. The Center fosters community awareness and understanding through its comprehensive outreach and prevention programs. The Center is a 24/7, 365 crisis response center and victim advocate agency. They respond to recent events but also to incidents and trauma that may have happened further in the past. They operate two hotlines, one for sexual assault and the other for all other crime and trauma victims.</p> <p>CVC advocates work in several different areas. They provide immediate crisis counseling and stay with a victim until they are no longer needed. In some cases, they accompany a victim to the hospital, the police station or to the hospital. Additionally, there are full and part-time elder advocates who work with elderly citizens in a variety of ways. There is also a Children's Advocacy Center which is a child-focused program in which representatives from many</p>

disciplines in Chester County work together to serve the needs of children who have become victims of crime. Law enforcement, child protection, prosecutors, mental health, medical professionals and The Crime Victims' Center of Chester County, Inc., work together in conducting joint forensic interviews and making team decisions about the investigation, treatment, management, and prosecution of child abuse cases in Chester County. Any time a forensic interview is scheduled at the Child Advocacy Center, a victim advocate from CVC will automatically be present to provide support to the child and family and to offer follow-up services.

Still other advocates work in the juvenile system to provide education and rehabilitative services.

CVC offers confidential individual and group counseling for victims of crime/violence, their family members and/or significant others. The goal of individual counseling is to provide a safe space in which victims can process their emotions and regain a sense of control in their lives. Group counseling offers a safe environment for clients to share their experiences. The goal of group participation is to assist clients in gaining insight and support to cope with issues related to victimization. Participants do not need to have filed a police report in order to receive counseling. There are 4 full-time educators that work with students ranging from kindergarten to college. They discuss bystander intervention, healthy relationships, and conflict resolution, among other things.

The Chesco Knows survey revealed that 1 in 4 respondents reported having been sexually harassed at work. The CVC offers training and workshops targeting harassment to school and businesses. The goal of the workshops is to help people create a healthy workplace for all in order to avoid sexual harassment and violence.

In order to address difficulties with transportation, CVC has drop-in centers in Kennett, Coatesville, and Phoenixville. These centers are staffed by b-lingual advocates and counsellors. All told, CVC serves about 5,000 people per year.

SAVE THE DATE

Feb 15 Community Warehouse Project
Volunteer date
Feb 17 Deadline for fruit sales
Mar 7 Pick-up of fruit at Duie Pye
Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at
<http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>
Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

THANK YOU

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Bill Friedmann of Blue Dog Printing

MONTHLY SERVICE PROJECT

Community Warehouse Project Update: Next date:
February 15 from 9-2.



Sell Fruit!

NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD

The Nominating Committee is recommending the following slate of officers and directors for the 2020-2021 Rotary year:

President: **Michelle Venema**; President Elect: **Steve Brown**; Vice President: **Phil McFadden**; Treasurer: **Jack Ellis**; Secretary: **Sue Casso-Rogers**; Sgt-at-Arms: **Bob Rogers**; Immediate Past President: **Matt Holliday**

Directors: **Glen Sweet, Rob Malone, Rich Murray, Diana Liberi, Bill Winters, Carol Hanson, Ebbie Alfree, Melissa Baxter, Christine Scott**

Any concerns, objections, or further nominations must be made in writing to the Club Secretary no later than the start of the February 20 club meeting.

BOARD of DIRECTORS

President, Matt Holliday; President Elect, Michelle Venema; Vice President, Steve Brown; Treasurer, Jack Ellis; Secretary, Sue Casso Rogers; Sgt at Arms, Bob Rogers; Immediate Past President, Bill Friedmann

Directors-at-Large: Brad Abel, Laura Aloisio, Carol Hanson, Diana Liberi, Rob Malone, Rich Murray, Glen Sweet, Bill Winters, Ernest Zlotolow

Peter Mardinly, District Governor

Cynthia Rugart, Assistant Governor

Charles Streitwieser, P. D.G. '13-14 District 7450

Dwight Leeper, P.D.G. '12-13. District 7510

Robert Poole, P.D.G. '80-'81 District 7450

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