

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
John F. Germ, International President 2016-2017

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This Week's Program: April 27, 2017

The 3 Stars of the West Chester Restoration Speakers: Jeff Brown and Friends

MINUTES by Faith Woodward

President-Elect Mickey Hall opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, we sang "God Bless America", and **Cathy Palmquist** gave the invocation in remembrance of the students at Columbine.

Visiting Rotarians included PDG Dave Ellis of the Exton Club with PDG Doug Evert of the Chase Club in Canada and Doug's wife Jackie. PDG Doug, a friend of Dave Ellis', was in the area for Grandparents Day at Westtown School. He gave **President-Elect Mickey** a banner and she reciprocated with ours.

Bill Friedmann introduced his wife Debbie as his guest and **Diana Liberi** (in the pipeline) was also a guest of the club.

Happy Bucks: Phyllis Dunn (Carolyn Comitta in attendance), Deb Sparre (3 weeks until her grandchild will be born), Marjorie Wentz (2 upcoming college graduations, her son from High Point and her step-son from Temple), Jackie Evert (attended West Side Story Rotaplast fundraiser), Catherine Friedman (singing for cabaret at the UpTown Knauer Center on May 11), Bill Winter (granddaughter graduating and is also a tennis champion), Carolyn Comitta (happy to be here, honored to be state rep), Matt Holliday (buy tickets from him for the 10 Grand for WC Chamber of Commerce at American Helicopter Museum – Mickey is selling them too), Christine Scott (please sponsor her for March for Babies on 4/30 and thanks to Bill Ronayne), Bob Poole (update on the dating scene: his friend enjoyed West Side Story at the Media Theater with a packed audience of Rotarians. Maybe we should do a similar event at Uptown).

Matt Holliday wished **Carolyn Comitta** a happy birthday.

Announcements:

4/29 Rotarians at Work Day- canoe down the
Brandywine to collect trash
May 5-6 District Conference
May 11 Pulled Pork Competition with 6 Rotarians

Next Week's Program: May 4, 2017

Foreign Exchange Student Presentation
Speaker: Gabriel Bay

competing – Brad "The Big Pig" Abel, Bill "Dr. Squealgood" Friedmann, Neil "The Porkasauraus" Gutekunst, Don "Boss Hog" Kohler, Jim "The Meat Master" Magee, and Bob "Hunk-a-Hunk of Burning Rub" Rogers. Proceeds will be given to Project Healing Waters.

May 25 Rotarians at the Blue Rocks

Ernest Zlotolow announced that 5,000 eyeglasses have been collected and 1,000 are already being used. **Charles Streitwieser** and Ernest went to Philadelphia to greet the Tanzanians who arrived for prostheses.

Matt Holliday announced that CPC applications are due April 30 and committee members are needed.

Please contact **Justin Sochovka** if you are interested in joining the committee for Social Media to recruit new members.

Jeff Brown (1960 Mayor-for-a-day) announced that Ryan Wagner from Rustin HS will be this year's Mayor-for-a-day.

Ernest Zlotolow won the 50-50, the proceeds of which will go to the Home of the Sparrow.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Winnie Stroup

Past President Katie Martin led a powerful induction ceremony for three new members: Brian Fahey (sponsor Paul Woodruff,) Bob Hall (Mickey Hall) and Christine Hodgson (Bill Ronayne.) She welcomed these new members into our Club and Rotary International because we found them to possess the high ethics and commitment to service above self that is at the core of Rotary. highlighted that within Rotary one person with one idea can make a significant difference in the world with the help and commitment of fellow Rotarians. Her first example was the Rotarian who set the goal to eradicate polio. Today we have reduced cases by In our own club Ernest 99.9% since 1988. **Zlotolow's** commitment to helping children from underdeveloped countries receive prosthesis, therapy and support has already resulted in 3 children being brought to Shriner's hospital and provided with new limbs and introduced them to our club last month. More children are on the way. Katie reviewed Rotary's principles and led the club and the inductees in reciting the 4 Way Test.

Dan Wilson gave his classification talk. Dan grew up in Cobleskill, NY which is somewhere near Albany. He played football and basketball in high school and developed a love of Dalmatians. He graduated from SUNY Cobleskill with an AS in computer science and then the Rochester Institute of Technology with a BS in computer science. He moved to West Chester for a career opportunity at SMS where he met his wife He made several career moves in the Jane. technology arena in greater West Chester. Jane graduated from the University of Scranton, runs marathons and likes country music. Dan's four children are his greatest source of pride: Nicole works at Vanguard, Aiden is at St Bonaventure, Ryan is a senior at Bishop Shanahan heading to Misericordia in the fall and Mary Katherine who is a sophomore at Bishop Shanahan.

Dan has headed Touching Hearts at Home in Downingtown for two years. He became involved in caring for seniors in their home with the non-medical activities of daily life because of a life changing event for his father. At 73 his Dad suffered a major medical incident and accident in his truck. He actually died and was revived in a helicopter on the way to the hospital. Thankfully his Dad is now mentally fit with a few physical issues. But in his quest for help for his Dad at home, Dan found Touching Hearts at Home in Minnesota. He found the need and he is now filling it for his clients. Dan is a welcome addition to the club!

AUCTION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Presidential Gala is Thursday, June 22, in the evening at WCGCC. Several volunteers are needed to help with organization, set up and check out. This does not involve soliciting businesses for items for the auction. Interested persons please contact Glen Sweet at gsweet510@verizon.net or at a weekly meeting.



THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by Chris Franz at Advent Lutheran Church

INVOCATION REMINDER

Invocation will be given by; Gary Hess 4/27 and Bob Frame 5/4

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Gabriel Bay from Rafaela, Argentina
Attending Henderson High School
Host Parents: Marcell and Destardi Moye-Sherman
410 Oakland Dr Downingtown PA 19335

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SAVE THE DATE

April 29 Rotary at Work Day April 30 CPC Grant deadline

May 5-7 Multi-District Conference at Gettysburg

May 25 Rotary at the Blue Rocks

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us



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