

# THE ROTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

District 7450

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Our newest member **Austin Aimone** checks in **Cristina Combee** at the reception desk.

## MEETING MINUTES from 7/13/23

By Kyle C. Rheiner

**Call to Order** by President **Rich Murray**

**Pledge of Allegiance** led by **Doug Meis**

**Invocation/Amazing Poem** by **Gary Hess**

No visiting Rotarians today.

### Guests

**Dave Jones** - Guest of **Kyle Rheiner**

**Danielle Satella** of Wells Fargo - Guest of **Randy Lindel**

**Taylor Kassel** of YMCA - prospective member

### Birthdays

**Bill Friedmann** presented by **Bob Frame**

### Happy Bucks

**Bill Friedmann** - just came back from North Pole, Alaska

**Bob Frame** - because **Joanne Tadeo** is back at Rotary

**Phyllis dunn** - also because **Joanne** is back

**Doug Meis** - for meeting up with **Kate Diffenderfer**, **Corey Cahill** and **Melissa Baxter**

**Melissa Baxter** - for family camping and for getting a quiet night alone

### Announcements

**Jeff & Melissa** – **Chili Cookoff Committee** meeting at Align Space - 11 teams and 12 vendors signed up so far

**Rich, Rita, Kyle** - **The Backpack Initiative** is in effect. Be on the lookout

**July 20 - Bonus Meeting at Stove and Tap** , 5:30 pm

**Friday July 21 - Rotary Golf Outing** @ Downingtown Country Club - 6 tee times starting at 4pm - Contact Steve Quigley

July 18 - Phillies Night - Tee Shirts Available

## PROGRAMS

Today ~ July 20

Club Business

President Rich's Plan for the Year

Tonight ~ **Bonus Meeting/Happy Hour**

5:30 pm ~ **Stove and Tap** ~ 158 West Gay Street

Sponsored by **Suzette Webb** of Berkshire Hathaway and **Corey Cahill** of Janney Montgomery Scott.

## PROGRAM: Classification talks

**Suzette Webb** is a self-proclaimed "Farm Girl" who grew up in a Minnesota town with a population of 224. Her father was a farmer who taught her about work ethic and with her free time, she played basketball. Later on, she moved to Illinois and worked for Dekalb Pfizer before moving to Chester County. She then got into painting and created "Walls by Webb" all while raising a family. She continued this business for a few years before becoming a Realtor with Berkshire Hathaway.

Suzette loves to volunteer. She's worked with Meals on Wheels, Berkshire Backpack Challenge, Bringing Hope Home, along with Partners & Outreach. Suzette loves to exercise daily run, golf, travel, support our beloved Phillies, spend time with her children and grandkids.

\*Bonus\* - Suzette challenged us to guess the number of Martini Glasses on her shirt. There were over 3,400! This generated an additional \$46 for the club!



**Glenda Brion** provided us with the next Classification Talk. Also a "farm girl", Glenda grew up on a Farm in Oxford PA. Eventually, Glenda met Skip Brion and they married in 1976 and moved to the "big city" aka the West Chester Borough. They have 2 kids and 4 grandkids and she's also a Dog Lover.

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Not only that, she’s a music lover and concert-goer. Some of her favorite concerts are The Doobie Brothers, Billy Joel and Paul McCartney.

Glenda enjoys traveling, photography and playing tennis, skiing, scuba diving and an African Safari. Glenda has experience Volunteering at the ChesCo Art Association, the Friends Association and she’s certainly passionate about fundraising and awareness.

Glenda is a champion of the Community Warehouse Project and gave us the story of how it began and has served over 400 households since 2017.

Please say hi and welcome our newest members!

**50/50 Winner:** Glenda Brion picked the Ticket, Suzette Webb had the winner! She didn’t pick the Queen of Spades, but donated her winnings back to the club.

Until next time...

From the club's history files ... 70 years ago!

**The Rotary Votary of July 7, 1953** reported that the club’s official attendance for the 1952-53 Rotary year was 87.4%. Sixty-four members had above average attendance including 31 with 100% perfect attendance. *The Votary* also published the names of 22 members who MISSED the last meeting. Shame, shame!

The Thursday, July 9, 1953 club meeting was held at the Mansion House Hotel at 12:10 pm. The speaker was Harry Buckley, Supervising Agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at the 30th Street Station.

Ed. Note: the Mansion House Hotel (originally the Chester County Hotel) stood on the SE corner of Market and Church Streets from 1832 to 1972.



CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD

Rotary International Theme  
2023-2024

RI President **R. Gordon R. McNally** calls for Rotary to create hope in the world by working for peace and mental well-being. He urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that’s necessary to realize these values.

CHILI COOK OFF

The 2023 Chili Cook-Off is our biggest event of the year.  
We need your help.

On October 8, 2023, our club hopes to entertain 8,000 people in a massive street festival called the West Chester Chili Cook-Off. This will be the 21st time our club has hosted the event and we can’t do it without you.



The CCO support pieces are started, but far from finished. Some of the jobs are small and can be done from your home. Others put you shoulder-to-shoulder with your fellow Rotarians, their families, their friends, and our friends from other clubs (Rotary, the Chester County Chamber of Business & Industry, local service organizations and non-profits). Experience is not required, only a desire to serve.

Please reach out to Jeff Cantwell (cantwell3d@gmail.com or 484-678-4441), or Melissa Baxter (melissabaxter2@gmail.com) if you would like help deciding where your talents and desires can do the most good.



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