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

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CLUB MEETING MINUTES

For March 24, 2022

By Joe Driscoll

President Steve Brown called the meeting to order.

- *Pledge of Allegiance* led by **President Steve**.
- *Invocation* given by **Kyle Rheiner**.
- *Visiting Rotarian*: none.
- *Guests*: Bill Macknis (**Sue Casso Rogers**); Maria Bieg (**Phil Bieg**); KatebDiffenderfer (**Laura Aloisio**); Amelia Rayburn, Guest Speaker (**Melissa Baxter**).
- *On This Day*:
1832 ~ Joseph Smith mistreated in Ohio and later went on to Utah to found the Mormon Church of the Latter Day Saints;
1857 ~ Otis Elevator installed its first elevator in NYC;
1989 ~ Exxon Valdez Alaskan oil spill.
- *Birthday*: **Bob Frame** provided wishes to **Dave Wood**.
- *Happy Bucks*: **Andrew Stump**; **Bill Friedmann**; **Mark Sammarone**; **Melissa Baxter**; **Carol Hanson**; **Karen Alvarado**; **Deb Sparre**.

Announcements

- **President-Elect Melissa Baxter**-in 3 months will assume the position of President of the Rotary Club of West Chester and alerted members to look for a survey.
- **Nate Keisler**-looking for high school applicants for Rotary scholarships.

50/50 Winner

Howard Sundwall won \$8.00.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March 31, 2022

Speaker: Roger Taylor
Rotary District 7450 District Governor

April 7, 2022

Speaker from Winterthur Museum,
Garden and Library

President Steve Brown's Ponderable

UPS Management once issued a directive: "This project is so important we can't let things that are more important interfere with it."

SPEAKERS SUMMARY

by Joe Driscoll

Amelia Rayburn-Pizzica, granddaughter of former Rotary Club member, **Dave Rayburn**, spoke on behalf of the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County which focuses on outreach and education as a means of prevention.

Founded in 1976, its mission is to prevent, reduce, and remedy domestic violence and its service is free and confidential.

As a lifelong Chester County local and West Chester University graduate, Amelia Rayburn-Pizzica works as the Director of Education Programs for the Domestic Violence Center of Chester County (DVCCC). With the organization since 2012, she began as a volunteer, joined the staff as their Children's Service Coordinator, and assisted in growing the DVCCC Education Department that she now oversees. Amelia has a passion for and commitment to increasing awareness of the issue of

family and intimate partner violence in her community and, specifically, supporting children and teens who experience this issue as both victims/survivors and within their families.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Apr 16? Community Warehouse Day
Apr 22-24 Multi-District Conference at Hershey
Oct 9 Chili Cook-Off

COMMUNITY WAREHOUSE DONATION DAY

Mark Your Calendar! Saturday, April 16 from 9a-1p is our next Community Warehouse donation day.

For complete information go to:
communitywarehouseproject.com. Call us for ways to get donations over to the warehouse too.

Contact: **Jeannie McGinn**; 484-343-4577 cell
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TRI-DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2022

Friday, April 22, 2022 - Sunday, April 24, 2022

[Register HERE](#)

Act quickly to book your rooms at the Hershey Lodge and stay close to the fun!

Follow along for details and events:

<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryAtHershey2022>

Special Information - A memorial service for long time Rotary member, Dr. Robert Poole, will be held on Thursday April 28 at 2:00 p.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, Route 202 and Pleasant Grove Road, West Chester. A special note on this time - Bob's daughters arranged this time so Rotarians could attend the weekly meeting and then head over to the service.

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

VOTARY COPIES

Thank you, **Bill Friedmann** of Blue Dog Printing and Design, for printing copies of the Votary this month.

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.

Because of ongoing communications with Jankowski in Poland, we are confident our contributions will be put to good use. His volunteers know what will ease refugees' suffering the most. Our financial support will enable Rotary Poland to respond quickly and effectively to a dynamic situation.

Please consider donating to the [Rotary District 7450 Gundaker Foundation Ukrainian Relief Fund](#). And please share this Rotary message with family, friends, and colleagues, inviting them to contribute too. A donation of any amount will help.

DONATE NOW
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Gundaker Foundation President Karen Mazzarella-Russo and I thank you for your caring and providing some hope during this difficult time.

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