

THE ROTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

District 7450

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MEETING MINUTES: July 20, 2023

by Joe Driscall

Call to Order by President **Rich Murray**

Pledge of Allegiance led by **Sue Casso Rogers**

Words of Wisdom - a prayer in honor of all Veterans was offered by **Rich Murray**

No **Visiting Rotarians** this week

GUESTS

Sariah Hearst, foster daughter of **Catherine Friedman**

Paul Sookiasian, guest of **Matt Kuehn**

Allison Roberts of the SPCA, guest of **Lona Pangia**

Denis Tobin, guest of **Mike Louis**.

NOW YOU KNOW

Today, July 20 is **National Lollipop Day**

HAPPY BUCKS

Dave Wood was the happiest contributor today with \$100 donation to celebrate his wife's remission

Other happy people included **Randy Lindel**, **Suzzette Webb**, **Lona Pangia**, **Bob Frame**, **Ernest Zlotolow**, **Allison Roberts**, **Steve Bayles**, **Don Kohler**, **Gary Hess**, **Steve Brown** and **Rich Murray**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Cantwell gave an update on the **Chili Cookoff** – just 80 days from now. Confirmed Sponsors so far include Family Services of Chester County, Fulton Bank, Christ Community Church; MacElree Harvey, Ltd., and potential sponsors include Arthur Hall Insurance, Benchmark Federal Credit Union, Anderson & Catania Surety Services.

A new Team category is being added: Country Clubs, so any club member with country club contacts should let Jeff or Melissa Baxter know.

Jeff also showed a small chili pepper sample of 2,500 that will be sold at the event for \$10 each. In the afternoon, they will be dropped in the plaza at Gay & Church Streets with the winner getting up to \$12,500 in a 50-50 prize



PROGRAMS

Today ~ July 27

President Rich ~ Club Plan for the Year

Next Week ~ August 3

Ashley Harper

"Who Can Do a Job?"

The **Third Thursday Bonus Meeting** this evening, July 20th, to be held at Stove & Tap, sponsored by **Suzzette Webb** of Berkshire Hathaway and **Corey Cahill** of Janney Montgomery Scott.

Steve Quigley gave an update on the **Rotary Golf Outing** at Downingtown Country Club for Friday, July 21st at 4:00 PM followed by dinner there. 16 people were signed up so far.

PROGRAM

Deb Sparre, new Chair of our Program Committee, provided an extensive list of proposed topics to each table with each Rotarian asked to rate the topics based on their interest: 1 least interest; 5 great interest.

She then led a Table Talk session, where club members at each table were asked to tell each other about their first jobs and how that eventually impacted what they do today. A lively discussion ensued and these kinds of "get acquainted" chats will likely be repeated in the future.

50/50 – **Bill Ronayne** had the winning ticket that netted \$14. He pulled the Seven of Diamonds



Rich Murray closed the meeting with a group recitation of the **Rotary Four Way Test**.

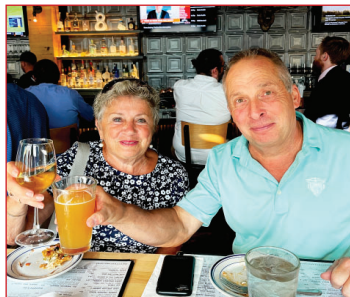


WC Rotary Bonus Meeting Stove & Tap Restaurant Thursday, June 20

More than two dozen club members were treated to an extra-fun Bonus Meeting last Thursday.

Meeting sponsors **Corey Cahill** of Janney Montgomery Scott and **Suzette Webb** of Berkshire Hathaway Real Estate treated members to drinks and wonderful appetizers as well as a "Wheel of Fortune" where Suzette's electronic wheel was spun several times during the event and winners received PA Lottery scratch-off cards.

Great fun and great fellowship. **Thanks Corey and Suzette!**



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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