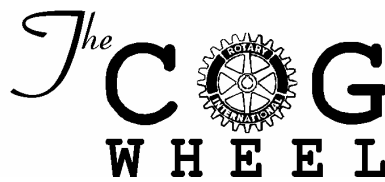


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1. Is it the TRUTH?
 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Last Meeting
14 ZOOM 47 in person

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Distinct 7570, Area 1, Club

May 23, 2024

OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK:

Julie Kogut & the HANDLEY SCHOOL INTERACT CLUB will deliver their annual summary of their club's activities over the school year.

WHAT'S COMING UP...

May 23-27 Healing Field of Honor - Handley High School

May 30 Steve Deadwyler Teensinc/Tac

June 6 To be determined

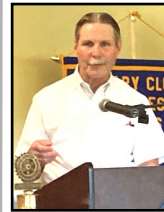
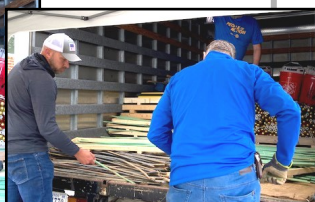
HEALING FIELD OF HONOR MAY 23-27, 2024

This Thursday, Rotarians will "take the field" at Handley to place over 800 American flags that will stand tall over Memorial Day Weekend. They represent heroes in our lives: a



brave veteran, a first responder or law enforcer who gives so much to our community, a caring teacher or healthcare worker, a cancer survivor, a loving brother/sister/mother/father that got you through a rough patch. How can you help? Go to the QR code below or Healing Field of Honor - Rotary Club of Winchester, Virginia to purchase a flag for \$50 and submit hero information that will be affixed to the flag and displayed on the field. The flag and tag are yours to keep after the event. Don't need a flag? Then for \$25 you can adopt a flag and tag it with your heroes' information. Are you a local business owner? Please contact Paul Frank, pfrank@ptfassociates.com about being a corporate sponsor. Finally, we still are a bit short of folks to help serve in the Rotary Welcome tent through the weekend and to help "de-mobilize" (sorry, military term for "remove stuff") the Healing Field on Tuesday May 28 from 9-11 AM. **If you can help us, even for just a few hours, please contact Donna Parrish or Pat Kolfalt.**

Finally, I offer the following "action shots" of preparations taken this last rainy weekend to assemble our last flags and straighten out a few 100 rebar (to include a view of our own "Captain Rebar:" Rick Mabe. **Questions?** Contact Dan Abel or Les Veach.

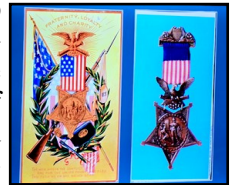


OUR PROGRAM LAST WEEK

Allan Tischler addressed the club on the topic of the Civil War Military Medals of Honor. A Richmond native, Allan has researched Civil War history for his entire life, including a 25 year period serving in re-enactor armies of both the Union and Confederate sides. He is currently writing a book detailing the exploits of the

85 Union soldiers who received the Medal of Honor for their service in battles in the Shenandoah Valley.

The first Medals of Honor were created by George Washington in 1782, who issued a purple hat to his soldiers. The idea faded shortly thereafter, only to resurface in 1861, when the suggestion to establish a service medal of recognition was made to General Winfield Scott. The Navy initiated this medal in December 1861, to be followed shortly by the Army. A total of 1,500 Medals of Honor were awarded to veterans of the Civil War - 1,200 to soldiers, and 300 to members of the Navy. These medals were awarded beginning in March 1864. The final medal was awarded in June 1908.



Allan detailed the life of Medal two Medal of Honor winners, Pvt. James Campbell and Major Henry Young, who organized a group of scouts who infiltrated Confederate lines and provided information to the Union which helped the Union win the decisive Third Battle of Winchester. Following the war, Campbell remained in the Army, and he ultimately became the first Superintendent of the Custer National Battlefield Cemetery.

In his concluding remarks Mr. Tischler did note that ours was the most distinguished group that he has ever addressed!



OUR APPLE BLOSSOM FLOAT

Wilson Gilbert announced that our Rotary Club float in this year's Apple Blossom parade won a second-place award. He complimented the well-behaved children who rode on the float this year.

Absentees May 2	Anthony Crosen	Malinda Henkel	Don Louque	Irv Shendow
William Aikens	Nancy Davis	Kim Herbrist	Paul Magness	Nancy Silva
Scott Arthur	Rosalee Delcampo	Sherry Hudson	Dan Martin	Jimmy Stafford
Jenny Baker	Robert DeMay	George Hummer	Neile Marin	Martin Tabaka
Lori Bales	Dana Evans	Alex Iden	Chris Merchant	Brandon Thomas
Jackie Bates	Patrick Finn	John Jewell	Gus Morrison	Michelle Thomas
Kim Blosser	Rob Frogale	Doug Joyner	Kent Mull	Les Veach
Darcus Breneman	Robert Garrett	Jaime Karalis	Cary Nelson	Shane Wagoner
Jan Bresfh	Krista Gibbs	David Kelly	Steve Parrish	Elyus Wallace
Tom T. Byrd	Phil Glaize	David Kent	Grady Phillips	Ben Weber
Gary Chrisman	Phil Griffin	Pat Kofalt	Jonathan Reimer	Ed White
Michelle Cody	Jenny Grooms	Alexis LaPorte	Madelyn Rodriguez	James Youngblood
Julia Connell	Bob Hall	Chris Lewis	Roy Schwarz	

Make-ups* (Date & Function Attended)
 Tom T. Byrd - 3/23 - HFOH Committee Meeting
 Bob Hall - 3/23 - HFOH Committee Meeting
 Pat Kofalt - 3/23 - HFOH Committee Meeting
 Les Veach - 4/2 - HFOH Committee Meeting
 Shane Wagoner - 4/30 - HFOH Committee Meeting

Turning in a Make-up?
 Please make sure to complete all information, including your name, the event or club attended, date attended and date making-up on all make-cards and slips submitted.

WELCOME BACK PRESIDENT JENNY

President Jenny returned to the podium this week, and she thanked John Lamanna for filling in during her absence.

Jenny offered thanks to Marie DiLorenzo and David Kelly for organizing this year's Little Theater Night. Over 60 Rotarians and guests attended the dinner and the production of "The Spitfire Grill" at Winchester Little Theater. Les Veach and John Lamanna were recognized for the important role they played- stepping in on short notice to serve as bartenders. Irv Shendow reminded those club members who did not attend that this is the best \$25 event in town.

STILL COLLECTING CLOTHES FOR CCAP!

The clothing drive to support CCAP has been extended another week, so donations will be accepted on May 23.



Please take some time to look at those clothes you didn't wear last year but are still in nice condition and this is a good time to find new home for them. CCAP needs clothes for all ages, infants to adults (esp. men's socks), that can be worn in the warm months ahead. No underwear, please. There will be a collection site at the Sgt-at-Arms desk for drop offs this week & next week. Questions? Contact Dave Miles (757) 334-3771 or Jean Barch (540) 247-8402.

KALEIDOSCOPE

Kaleidoscope is planned for **November 8th** and there will be an organizational meeting in the near future please listen for club announcements.

EVENT MAKE-UP SLIP
The Rotary Club of Winchester

Print Your Name: _____

Event Attended: _____

Date of Event: _____
 Committee, Board, Community Event

Date of Missed Meeting: _____

(Turn in at Sergeant at Arms Desk)

LIBBA'S HEALTH TIP

Libba began her report by saluting the many Rotarians whose names have appeared in the local news over the past few weeks. This distinguished group included Skip Phillips, Sabra Veach, Mady Rodriguez and Dana Hand Evans. Dana will be leaving her position at the Museum of the Shenandoah Valley and relocating to Charleston, SC.

According to Libba, May 20 is **International Red Sneakers Day**. International Red Sneakers Day (IRSD) is an opportunity to come together as a community, to spread food allergy awareness in support of your friends, family, and colleagues who suffer from food allergies. This day of recognition was started by the Debbs family, in hopes of preventing another family experiencing this excruciating loss they went through after their son Oakley was lost due to a nut allergy.

Libba provided detailed information about the proper way to use an Epi-Pen in the event of a severe allergic reaction.

ANNOUCEMENTS

>> **Dan Abel** provided an update on the Healing Field of Honor. Our proceeds this year will remain in our local community to support our Police, Fire Departments and EMS units. He explained four easy ways club members can support this project:

- Sponsor a flag - Buy a flag "tag"
- Be a corporate sponsor
- Sign up to help on site over the weekend



The sign-up genie information is in the Cog Wheel. You can purchase a flag sponsorship or a flag tag at the Winchester Rotary website.

>> **Dave Smith** mentioned that this year's Rotary day at Camp Fantastic will be Thursday, August 8, at the 4 H Center in Front Royal. Winchester Rotarians have traditionally served dinner to the campers annually during the camp's summer session. The late Tom Baker, a long-time club member and supporter of the camp, began this tradition. This year a new terrace at the 4 H Center, named in Tom's honor, will be dedicated at 11:00 am on June 15th.



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