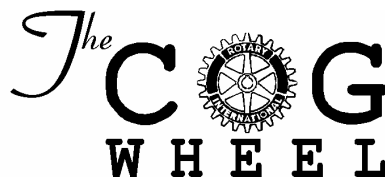


- ROTARY 4-WAY TEST**
1. Is it the TRUTH?
 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
 3. Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

June 20th Meeting
 13 ZOOM 58 in person



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Distinct 7570, Area 1, Club

June 27, 2024

OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK:

New Member Talks

WHAT'S COMING UP...

July 4 - Holiday! No Meeting

July 11 - Aug 1 Rotary Meetings in the park for lunch



OUR PROGRAM LAST WEEK

Last week's meeting was highlighted by the installation of new officers and directors, including the traditional "passing the gavel" ceremony at Jenny's last meeting as President. After just a few dance steps, the past presidents in attendance were able to find their proper places in line. For the 103rd time in our history, the President's gavel was passed down a line that began this year with Dr. Byron Brill, Past President 1990, and ended with Jenny Baker, who passed the gavel to our incoming President, John Lamanna.

Prior to the gavel ceremony Jenny took time to reflect on her past year, which she said went by faster than she imagined it would. "It's not about me, it's about the club" she said, thanking the members for their active support. She noted that the club inducted 16 members during the past year, which was 6 more than the average year. The club gave back \$120,000 to the community, thanks to successful programs including the Apple Harvest Festival, the Golf Tournament, Scholarship programs and the Healing Field of Honor. Jenny announced that the club is likely to receive both Rotary district and global grants this coming year. As part of her presentation, she recounted numerous other service and social activities that highlighted the year. Most importantly perhaps, our average weekly meeting attendance is back to our normal 60-70 members. Jenny finished by thanking the committees, committee chairs, board members and officers who made the year so successful. She then handed the gavel to John Lamanna, who presented Jenny with a plaque and her Past President's pin honoring her year as President.



Following Jenny's presentation, John delivered remarks to the club which outlined his goals for the upcoming club year. He began by reflecting on the new member talk he made in 2008, and advice he heard that day from Sharen Gromling, who told him that our members always listen. John reflected on the many ways our club has always listened and responded to the voices and needs of our community, and under his leadership we will continue to listen and help. He outlined both some operational goals and focus areas for the upcoming year, and concluded by reminding the club that the key to life is to have passion and purpose, and that we can find both of these items as members of Winchester Rotary club.

After these remarks, John installed our new board members, Cyril Barch, Dan Abel, Diane Ruckman and David Kelly, and presented them with their director pins. He also delivered the oath of office to our incoming Vice President, Paul Frank, Secretary Bob Hall, and Treasurer Darcus Breneman.



PASSING THE GAVEL



Absentees June 20	Andrea Cosans Anthony Crosen Nancy Davis Rosalee Delcampo Robert DeMay Marie DiLorenzo Dana Evans Pat Finn Rob Frogale Robert Garrett Krista Gibbs	Phil Glaize Jenny Grooms Malinda Henkel Kim Herbstritt Sven Hlywiak John Huddy Sherry Hudson John Jewell Doug Joyner Trey Kern Alexis LaPorte	Chris Lewis Paul Magness Neile Martin Chris Merchant Kent Mull Steve Parrish Debra Purrington Amy Rice Madelyn Rodriguez Ben Rothermel Kit Rutherford Karen Schultz	Andy Schwartzman Roy Schwarz Nancy Silva Jay Smith Jonathan Snowden Kathy Tagnesi Brandon Thomas Michelle Thomas Ajay Virmani Elyus Wallace Ben Weber Ed White
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JUNE SERVICE PROJECT! SALVATION ARMY FOOD DRIVE

Dr. Dave Miles reminded the club to support the Salvation Army food drive with a donation of canned food and shelf stable items.

The Salvation Army has a free pantry which provides people experiencing food insecurity with enough groceries to last 3-5 days. Currently, these food supplies are being purchased outright to keep their shelves stocked.

For some, food pantries are a source of emergency aid to solve a hunger crisis. For others, food pantries supplement low incomes with nutritious meals. At The Salvation Army, their food pantry provides a variety of healthy food and basic-need items for those seeking food assistance and helps them regain household food security. The pantry is open M-F, so food is given out each day. To help them replenish their supplies our Rotary Club is designating them our June Service Project. ***The items they need most are:***

- Peanut Butter
- Canned Chicken, Tuna, or Pork
- Pasta Sauce
- Rice
- Beans
- Mac & Cheese
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Cereal



Giving
Hope
Today

Drop off your donations in the box by the Sgt-at-Arms desk marked "Salvation Army". **Questions? Contact the Impact Committee: Jean Barch (540-247-8402) / barchfam@comcast.net or Dave Miles (757- 334-3771) / dave@drdavemiles.com.** Please be generous with your contributions. Every item helps.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no new announcements, however **Cynthia Schneider, Director of the Top of Virginia Regional Chamber of Commerce**, was a guest at our meeting. Cynthia thanked our club for supporting the Chamber's rising leadership program, which helps create career pathways for area high school students.



HEALING FIELD OF HONOR

During her final remarks to the club, Jenny asked Dan Abel if he had a final report on funds raised at our recent Healing Field of Honor. ***Dan reported that the club raised \$36,000 from this event.***

Make-ups* (Date & Function Attended)
Dale Ervin – 6/13 – Golf Committee Meeting
Pat Finn – 6/13 – Golf Committee Meeting
Wilson Gilbert – 6/13 – Golf Committee Meeting
Jay Smith – 3/19 – HFOH Committee Meeting
Jonathan Snowden – 6/20 – eClub One
Ben Weber – 6/13 – Gol 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.

HEALTH REPORT

Tricia Simpson pinch hit for Libba today. She had the unfortunate job of reporting that **Bernie Schwartzman unexpectedly passed away today following recent surgery.**

Funeral plans are being finalized but, in all likelihood, there will be a service Sunday morning at Jones Funeral Home. Tricia shared her personal remembrances of Bernie with wonderful heartfelt remarks.

At the conclusion of the meeting Dick Kent also reflected on Bernie's passing and mentioned the recent **Honor Flight** he had participated in with Bernie.

Tricia decided to forego the health tip she had prepared as it was too jovial for her to deliver under current circumstances.



CAMP FANTASTIC ROTARY DAY

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. If you would like to help with Rotary Day....contact Dave Smith.

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: _____

President - John Lamanna Secretary - Bob Hall
President-Elect - Paul Frank Treasurer - Darcus Breneman

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2024-2027 Cyril Barch, Dan Abel, Diane Ruckman, David Kelly
2023-2026 Gary Chrisman, John Elrick, Darcus Breneman, Rick Mabe
2022-2025 Wilson Gilbert, Darla McCrary, Chuck Peterson, Ridge White

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT - Jenny Baker

Newsletter Editor: Sue Rich

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