

- 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?



<u>Last Meeting</u>	
10 ZOOM	64 in person

Chartered 1921

Distinct 7570, Area 1, Club

February 8, 2024

OUR SPEAKER THIS WEEK:

Scott Trinette Volunteerism Valley Health

WHAT'S COMING UP...

- 15-Feb Michael Williams Early Act
- 22-Feb Rusty Holland Concern Hotline
- 22-Feb **BOARD MEETING 6 PM** Winchester Country Club
- 29-Feb **No Noon Meeting** - Awards Banquet in the evening
- 7-Mar Amelia Stansell Rotary action group against slavery

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM



The Handley High School Interact Club and their sponsor Julia Kogut shared highlights of their trip last December to the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) in Blacksburg.

Our club sponsored several Interactors and they enjoyed a weekend of fun and enlightenment. Activities kicked off (after a boisterous van ride) with a personality profiling workshop led by local Rotarians, plus presentations on Rotary Youth Exchange and a District Rotary effort to end human sex trafficking. The weekend also included Rise Against Hunger, where students assembled 10,000 food boxes to fight hunger overseas, as well as a formal dinner and dance. Even the chaperones enjoyed dancing to a host of Taylor Swift songs. Interact President Landon Hough thanked our members for their support in sending him and his fellow students to RYLA.

The presentation concluded with Laura Sally sharing an encore of her first-place speech on the importance of setting boundaries and knowing how to say "No" in a way that meets the qualifications of the Rotary 4-Way Test.

NEW PLAYGROUND DONATED

Heather Hovermale reported on a new playground that the club has decided to purchase with surplus funds and donate to Winchester Parks & Rec to be placed next to our picnic pavilion.

Winchester Parks and Rec will take care of installation and maintenance. It will be a great addition to our family picnic and should help attract young families to our club and events. The playground will be constructed of recyclable materials and should last for decades, not to mention it being a locale for another Trex Recycled Bench, so save those plastic bags!



OUR AWARDS NIGHT will be held on **February 29th** at the George Washington Hotel. No noon meeting that day. Details on tickets to follow.

WATTS - A MINI SERVICE PROJECT

Dave Miles encouraged people to donate to the Winchester Area Temporary Transitional Shelter (WATTS), our charity this month. We are providing snacks, hygiene items, and monetary support.



Our area's temporary homeless shelter program needs supplies to replenish its shelves after this last bout of cold weather. The Impact Committee will be collecting donations of the following items at our meetings **FEB 8th & 15th**: Hygiene Items (small deodorants, razors, shaving cream, small hand lotions, chapstick) and Food/Snacks (coffee, powdered creamer, sugar, disposable coffee cups/plates/utensils, paper towels, tuna/chicken salad "lunch-to-go" packs, shelf-stable snacks). And of course, monetary donations are always welcome. Bring your donations to the meetings. Contact Jean Barch (520-247-8402) or Dave Miles (757-334-3771) with questions or to make alternate arrangements.

BAGPIPES FOR THE BAND:



For you history buffs, in October 1924 our club sponsored a series of concerts by the Royal Scottish Highlander Band as a fundraiser to purchase musical instruments for the band at the newly opened John Handley High School. To commemorate the upcoming anniversary of this event, the Handley 100th Anniversary Celebration Committee is proud to present, with support from Winchester Rotary, a joint concert performance by the Winchester Pipe and Drums and the Handley High School concert band. The concert will be held in **Handley's Patsy Cline Theater** on **Thursday, March 7, at 7:00 pm. Admission is free.** This event is part of the Alumni Music Series of the Handley 100th Celebration. Hopefully a large contingent from our club will be on hand as our club again comes out in force to support our community.

Absentees Feb. 01	Kevin Callanan Dan Abel William Aikens Stanley Augustine Lori Bales Jackie Bates Kim Blosser Kerri Burkhardt Paul Burkholder Tom T. Byrd Tom W. Byrd	John Fox Paul Frank Rob Frogale Krista Gibbs Phil Glaze Kim Herbstritt Sven Hlywiak Sherry Hudson Alex Iden Jaime Karalis David Kent	Alexis LaPorte Chris Lewis Paul Magness Dan Martin Darla McCrary Chris Merchant Kent Mull Steve Parrish Debra Purrington Mary Riley Tootie Rinker	Madelyn Rodriguez Roy Schwarz Nancy Silva Jimmy Stafford Karey Starnes Martin Tabaka Brandon Thomas Michelle Thomas John Tyson Ajay Virmani Ed White
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Make-ups* (Date & Function Attended)
 Jenny Baker – 11/30 (3) – Board Meeting
 David Sweeney – 1/25 – Board 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

Wilson Gilbert made his triumphant return after a scary battle with a staph infection over the past week and a half. He thanked the club for its thoughtfulness in sending cards and following up, calling us *“the best club out there”* and saying that's why he belongs.

SIGN OF THE TIMES

We finally found our meeting sign, the one that recent Past Presidents have distributed monthly to recognize Rotarians going above and beyond the call of duty. President Jenny presented her inaugural award to **Jean Barch** for all her help behind the scenes keeping our activities going.

ROTARY ROAD TRIP

President Jenny is looking for someone to organize the next Rotary Road trip - this time, we'll take Andy Gyurisin up on his offer of a grand tour of **Laurel Ridge Community College** and perhaps enjoy dinner at either Vault & Cellar or Wayside Inn in Middletown? If you would like to organize this outing (Feb/March timeframe) please email Jenny at jennybrockwellbaker@gmail.com



BOY SCOUTS FUNDRAISER

Our local Boy Scouts will be hosting a fundraiser on March 20th at the Isaac Walton Club. No speeches but great barbecue chicken, bourbon and a celebration of Scouting.



REMINDER.....
Valentine's Day is coming up....February 14th!

NEXT BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 6:00 PM
Winchester Country Club
All are welcome & it counts as a Make-up!

Early Bird Thursday
Hey Zoomers: Be a Last-Thursday Early Bird!
 Coming on the last Thursday of each month: [log-in at noon](#) to catch up on news, gossip, and more. Please be sure to turn on your video so we can see you!
 If you just want to catch the meeting announcements and program, we'll see you at 12:20. But you won't get a worm...

ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Gary reminded us about the District Conference, coming up on **March 15-17**. Deadline for Early Bird registration was Feb. 4th. Gary said we have six scholarships for first-time attendees and added, *“It will open your eyes and change your perspective on Rotary and its impact at the state, national, and international levels. It's also a lot of fun!”*

KALEIDOSCOPE

Kevin Callahan reports that Kaleidoscope is organizing now for this year. The event will be held November 8th. If you're interested in joining the committee please see Kevin.

PHIL SPRENKLE AWARD

Karen Schultz is soliciting names of worthy consideration for this award. Candidates should be mid career and demonstrate exemplary Vocational skills balanced by a life of community service. Phil Sprenkle was a long-time member of our club. The award will be given at the Awards Banquet.

FROTHY FRIDAYS ARE BACK!

JOIN US on the last Friday of each month!

We meet at Vibrissa (10 N. Kent St.) from 5:30-7:00 PM to celebrate having survived our latest blast of Old Man Winter. Hope to see you there!



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