### **GEAR POST**

Waynesboro Rotary Club 5780

January, 2020

President: Lowrie Tucker President Elect: Rebecca Shin Secretary: Mary Ann Everly-Maupin

*Treasurer:* Laurie Landes

Immediate Past President: David Balser Directors: Vonda Lacey, Jim Hyson, Dick Clark and Francine Johnston



### **Happy New Year!**

#### **Save the Dates**

Register now for the District Conference held at The Omni Homestead in Hot Springs from **March 13**<sup>th</sup> to **March 15th** at <a href="https://www.Rotary7570Conference.com">www.Rotary7570Conference.com</a>. Early bird registration closes Feb 28<sup>th</sup>. Day trippers and first-timers will be reimbursed. We will begin meeting at Fishburne Field House starting **February 6**<sup>th</sup> due to renovations at the Waynesboro Country Club.

#### December 19



Jim Mahoney chats with our speaker

#### The Money Story: An Alternative Lens

Chris Rini, a local public health worker, activist and organizer gave us an introduction to "modern monetary theory" and discussed myths surrounding the national deficit. He raised questions about the indicators used to determine the health of our "top heavy" economy when millions of people are without health insurance and live in poverty. Bill Watkins led us in Christmas carols and Santa (Mike Meadows) made an appearance.

### **January 9 & 16**

#### **Presentations by New Members**

Lynn Harris and Heather Swann gave their new member talks on January 9<sup>th</sup> and Margaret Hersh and Celine Reid gave their talks on January 16. Short biographies of each can be found in *Gear Posts* available at our website.

#### January 23



DG Tim Carter joins us on Charter Night to celebrate our 95<sup>th</sup> year

#### **Charter Night**

Our club was given a charter by Rotary International at the request of business and community leaders in 1925. Each year we celebrate this date as our birthday. Thanks to Rebecca Shin who chaired the committee and her assistants Laurie Landes, Vonda Lacey, Mary Ann Everly-Maupin and Nancy Whitlock who made charter night such a special occasion. Performers from the Wayne Theater entertained us with songs from The Carpenters. Jeff Fife paid tribute to Tracy Aitcheson and his wife Judy was presented with an orchid. Tim Carter, our District Governor, paid us a visit and urged us to attend the district conference. More photos at our website.



Steve Howlett works with a student

#### **Tutoring at William Perry Elementary School Begins**

This will be the third year members of our club have tutored William Perry students in reading and math and new volunteers are needed. A training session will be held February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:15. Tutoring takes place Monday and/or Wednesday during the day or after school from 3-4 and it runs from February 26<sup>th</sup> to April 8th. Materials and lesson plans are provided. Contact the organizer, Beth Crickenbarger, at bethcrickenbarger@gmail.com.



#### New Member: Celine Reid

Welcome Celine Reid, sponsored by Zahir Mahmoud. Celine grew up in Lexington VA and worked there for CWF Intelos as sales leader for 12 years. She has been with BB&T as a market leader or small business developer for 9 years, having worked in the Lexington and Stuarts Drafts branches before coming to Waynesboro. She and her husband Ron moved here about five years ago with their four children. She can't wait to be part of a group that does so much good for the community. Celine enjoys time with her family, listening to live music, and sipping wine.



Dick pins new member Justin Key

#### New Member: Justin Key

Welcome Justin Key who was sponsored by Dick Schilling. Justin grew up in Waynesboro, majored in finance at Radford University, and works at Lawrence Transportation as an Account Manager. He and his wife Stephanie have a two year-old daughter Olivia and are expecting her sister Kennedy Lynn next month. Justin enjoys golf, basketball and the card game Texas Hold'em.

# Notes from the Board

On Dec 19<sup>th</sup> Alan Melton accepted a \$500 check for the Valley Pastoral Counseling Center. Polio Plus got a donation from us for \$2,025 and the Augusta Regional Clinic will get \$500.

#### **Election Results**

Elections for our board of directors were held on Dec 19<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to Len Poulin who will serve as president elect.

Mary Ann Everly-Maupin will continue as secretary and Laurie

Landes as treasurer. New directors will be Frank Carey and

Charlie Guggenheimer. They will take office in July.

## Proposed Member

Nominee: Mike Wilhelm

Employed By: Waynesboro City Classification: Police Chief Proposed By: Dick Clark

If there are no objections submitted, in writing, to the Board within ten (10) days of this notice, this individual shall be duly qualified for membership