GEAR POST

Waynesboro Rotary Club 5780

October 1, 2020

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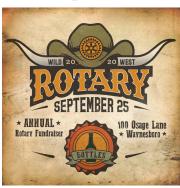
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Save the Date

Nov 8th District Polioplus Event. Donate and register online and then gather your ingredients for a virtual chef-directed cook-along.

Sept 25th



Wild West 2020 Fundraiser

Rain did not dampen the spirits of Rotary members who gathered in masks at Bottles on Friday evening for our annual fundraiser. Folks enjoyed food and drinks, chatted around the fire pits, tried some outdoor games, and listened to the band. The live auction led by Jeff Fife and Kin Yancy elicited some competitive bidding that drove up the profits on items to add to the online auction. Harold Cook won the 50/50 raffle drawing (What a lucky guy. Remember Harold just won a pass to Bottles in a drawing last month!). Final dollar amounts to be determined. Thanks to the planning committee, especially co-chairs Hillary Quesenberry and Jodi Tibbs, who put this together during an unprecedented time. More details and photos will be at our website.

Sept 10



UVA Center for Politics

Meg Huebeck was scheduled to give her new member talk but you will have to see her short bio in the September Gear Post for much personal information. She spent her time in a passionate description of UVA's Center for politics where she serves as the director of instruction and works with students to enhance civil political discourse and critical thinking. Meg demonstrated an activity designed to identify fake news and shared facemasks and some of the resources she has developed. Her main message? Talk about politics and vote!

September 16



Area 4 Meeting with District Governor Nancy

DG Nancy Whitlock spoke to members via zoom on Wednesday evening in lieu of our annual dinner bringing together the 5 clubs in our area. After a warm welcome Nancy discussed membership and urged us to be selective in our recommendations. She bragged a bit about "Our Foundation" and the 4-star rating TRF gets from Charity Navigator for its use of funds and encouraged us all to keep donation goals in mind for Polio Plus and other giving opportunities. She will continue The Hunger Initiative begun by Tim Carter and urged clubs to pursue evaluations and strategic planning with the help of a district advisory team. We know we are in good hands with Nancy at the helm!

September 17



CARES Act: Money for the City of Waynesboro

Former mayor and current City Councilman Terry Short talked about how the city is using funds from the CARES Act. So far, the city has used about half of the 3.9 million dollars that were allotted, but he outlined many of the restrictions which have made it challenging to spend those federal dollars. The funds are designed to meet expenses incurred directly due to the pandemic, and cannot be used to meet city budget shortfalls. Funds have gone to the library, city schools, and some small businesses; and have been used for temporary housing of the homeless, rent relief, election materials, technology for at-home workers cleaning materials, and more. They have also been used to supplement the efforts of the Community Foundation.

September 24



Service Project: Creative Works Farm

Creative Works Farm is the home of Camp Light, a day camp for children with special needs or children at risk. It offers all the joys of summer camp (games, gardening, horseback riding, fishing, art, sports, aquatics, etc.) free of charge to children who might not otherwise have the chance to experience them. Director, Kelly Truxell visited the club to talk about the background of the camp, its programs, and its impact on the lives of its young campers. With help from a matching district grant we raised \$8,000 and we will be supplying labor to finish up two classrooms for the use of campers. Steve Howlett is leading the service project and volunteers are signing up to help out. Join in!



Congratulations to Troy Hamilton

Troy and his wife Ileana welcomed a new son on July 29th. John David Hamilton weighed 7 pounds at birth but has gained a lot more since then. He is the little brother of Matthew (2yrs), Seamus (6 yrs), Natalie (9 yrs), and Katrina (14 yrs). Troy hopes he will develop a lot of patience dealing with the attentions of impulsive toddler Matthew.



Get Your Own Rotary Shirt!

Wouldn't you like a Rotary shirt like Charlie's? It's fun to wear to meetings and when participating in Rotary projects but it is also a nice way to let the world know you are a proud Rotarian at any time. Thea Jordan will be taking orders at \$20 each (more for sizes beyond XL). Available in yellow or blue. Got a yellow one? Get another in blue!

Proposed Members

If there are no objections submitted, in writing, to the Board within ten (10) days of this notice, these individuals shall be duly qualified for membership in the Rotary Club of Waynesboro.

Nominee: Rachel Pruitt

Employed By: Salvation Army Director

Proposed By: Harold Cook Nominee: Kindall Badgett

Employed By: United Way Community Relations Coordinator

Proposed By: Charlie Guggenheimer