"ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES"



# Spoke 'n Wheel

The Weekly Broadsheet of the Winter Park Rotary Club

## **Event Date Moved to April 16 On-line Chili Order Starts on March 15**



## Get Raffle tickets now! chiliforcharity.amfundvip.com

We have pushed the date forward to assure greater exposure for the event. Despite Covid, the show must go on even in an altered state. Our 501c3 clients don't need a good excuse, they need money to fuel their services to the community. Find out how you can contribute to the club's biggest fundraiser of the year.

Sponsorships provide much of the missing moolah. If you think you have a good idea for a prospect, please contact me to register that entity or person to avoid us stepping on each other's toes. Solicitation letters have been drafted and can be sent to your target on C4C letterhead. Let the board and officers support you in bringing in the sheaves.

Fred Jones stirs the chili pot. Any questions? Chances are he is the "go to" guy with the right answers. C4C is intended as a club project. Unless the whole club grabs an oar and rows to the finish line, it will not achieve its potential. This year the typical level of funding for our charity clients is lagging. Let's pull hard to erase the shortfall.

# Words from the DG of the Caribbean - Charles Sealy



Our guest speaker, District Governor Charles Sealy of the Caribbean Basin, addressed his experience in Rotary matters during Covid. By embracing change and adopting tech tools, a stronger club can emerge from the crisis. Three bullet points from his talk:

Embrace extraordinary possibilities and ideas Energy assures success Recognize the duty to give back

Devoted Rotarians like DG Sealy keep our boat afloat and out mission vital.

## The New Norm



### **Embracing Change**



DG Charles Sealy II District 7020

No Member Lost....



Unbroken CIRCLE



# Bell ringing back to normal

After last week's unfortunate mishandling of the opening gong, the Master Music Man returned to duty. How easily we take for granted the enormous skill and devotion that go into routine elements of our weekly Zoomer. Without a strike of the bell to set the tone for the assembly, who knows in which direction the deliberations would wander off. Butch Margraf did his best but, lacking training and practice time, nobody would have been able to handle this essential formality unless, like Jeffrey Blydenburgh, the substitute happened to be a person gifted with a natural aptitude for putting mallet to metal. In a flurry of flagrant flailing, the racket served notice the meeting had been called to order.

Gary Brewer led the invocation and pledge to get the meeting off on a proper note.

### Spectacular Winter Park Mornings



The Choirmaster arranged a guest appearance by Gordon McRae to render "Oh What a Beautiful Morning" from Oklahoma by Rodgers and Hammerstein. Some whippersnappers in the membership might not appreciate the historical importance of this music but had they attended the Playhouse last week a major shortcoming in their cultural education would have been addressed. And, incidentally, Winter Park mornings in January and February through early March have been spectacular and worth singing about.

## Club Business

### ROTARIANS OF THE WEEK: BOB HARTNETT AND PRESIDENT BRYAN

Rotarians of the Week: Bob Hartnett is another member who popped for tickets to the Playhouse and then passed them along to friends when he and Betty could not use them. A sell-out happened because Bob along with others who were recognized last week made sure it happened. Co-ROW is, once again, El Presidente for his tireless efforts on behalf of the Membership Committee.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

John Strudwic and Ryan Dodds are under recruitment with completed applications expected shortly. Are you missing a chance to bring a fresh face to WPRC? Stay alert to that possibility. Rotary is a gift in providing an on-ramp for public service.

## **Secretary Report**

Jeffrey apologized for unintentionally emailing a political support statement on the Club Email account. He reminded us that Rotary is apolitical.

### Volunteer Leader Needed

Leadership for Lake Cleanup. Volunteers without management amounts to no volunteers. Nothing has happened to move this potential project forward. Anyone want to assume leadership and make it happen? Contact me and let's get this underway.

### RI announces 2021-2022 theme





# UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

March 8th: Hope and Healing Facility - Dr. Tucker, Director of Hope and Healing

March 15th: The State of Winter Park – Steve Leary

March 22nd: USTA National Campus -Brian Orminston

March 29th: Local News - Marshall Swanson



8-14 March —
World Rotaract Week
To learn more about our
Rotaract Club at Rolins,
reach out to Richard
Yount.

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## From Chili to the Community

#### THEY NEED YOUR HELP...NOW MORE THAN EVER.

The Tenth Annual Chili for Charity on March 26, 2021.

Since 1990 the Rotary Club of Winter Park Charitable Foundation has distributed \$850,000 to over 40 different local non-profit organizations. These are a few examples of the impact this year's recipients will

A Gift for Teaching can obtain critical supplies for their programs at Winter Park public schools; the Alzheimer's & Demenitia Care Center will continue to be a lifeline for caregivers; Boys and Girls Club will provide leadership development opportunities in Eatonville; the Center for Independent Living will build wheelchair ramps in Winter Park; Central Care Mission will maintain vehicles to transport resident Crealde School of Art will provide scholarships for Art Camp; IDignity will assist clients to obtain legal identification; Winter Park Day Nursery will provide scholarships to WP families; food pantries at the Winter Park High School and Killarney Elementary will serve students who lack access to adequate nourishment.

These organizations have one thing in common: They are or have been a grant recipient of the Rotary Club of Winter Park Charitable Foundation, which is made possible by sponsors. like you. This year more than ever the families they serve are in need

To sign up as a sponsor, please contact Jeffreyblydenburgh@mac.com or at 321-441-0755



















#### **Charitable Foundation**

### 2020 GRANT RECIPIENTS





























































## **District Business**

District 6960 is launching Infinite Possibilities Series 2: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion. This four part webinar series offers vision, encouragement, enthusiasm and motivation to grow your membership.

You can register for the remaining two parts which are:

• <u>March 26, 2021 - Investing in Equity</u>, hosted by District 6960 Governor Darryl Keys, with featured speaker Xavier Ramey, fellow Rotarian from Chicago.

Register NOW for Infinite Possibilities - Investing in Equity, 1:00 pm EDT March 26, 2021

 <u>April 30, 2021 - Celebrate Diversity</u>, with special guest speakers Rotary International President Holger Knack, Rotary International Director Peter Kyle and Anna Ekbäck.

Register NOW for Infinite Possibilities - Celebrate Diversity, 1:00 pm EDT April 30, 2021

## **MEETING ADJOURNED!**

Nothing on the agenda remained unaddressed when the clock indicated time to call it a day had arrived. The President recited the four word, four way test: true, fair, kind, useful. Jeffrey rapped on the Rotary chime and the meeting was thereupon officially adjourned.



MARCH
1ST: PITT WARNER
6TH:KATHLEENPETERS
8TH:NATU SANGHRAJKA
9TH:LAUREN COOPER
19TH:PETE LEMIEUX
21ST:KIM GROVES
23RD:CLYDE KING
26TH: FAY DALLAS

## **Zoom Chat**

From Jody: I can drive - Fred. Who should I contact to put my name in for that?

From JoAnn Beck: Loved the music!

From Jeffrey Blydenburgh: Charles, we have two PDG in our Club: JoAnn Beck and Jim McGann

From Jody: Welcome John Strudwick!

From Jody: I wondered what happened, Jeffrey. Apology accepted. We all make mistakes.

From Lemieux: I'm planning to order a meal for my team but they live in Oviedo.... can I have them pick up the meal in person that evening?

From Jody: Did we receive an email that we can share with others on C4C?

From Curley Bowman: When someone buys a ticket, do they have a choice of restaurants

From JoAnn Beck: Yes you select the restaurant

From Jim Hardy: I have a boat tour I got last year and have been unable to use. I am happy to donate for this year

From Jody: You could spend \$20 and promote C4C on Facebook. Just an idea.

From Holly Pohlig: Happy Birthday, Iim!!!!

From Michael Baldwin: Happy birthday Jim!!!

From DG Charles Sealy: it was great visiting with you

### **CLUB MEMBERS**

Backer, Debra Baidenmann, Shannon

Baldwin, Mike

Bangs, Terry W.

Bartolomei, Matt

Beck, JoAnn

Behrle, John R. Blitch, Gordon H.

Bloodworth, Jennifer

Blydenburgh, Jeffrey

Bowman, Carter (Curley)

Bowman, Jan M.

Brenner, David

Brewer, Gary A.

Clement, Ann

Collis, David

Cooper, Lauren

Cornwell, Marguerite

Crouch, Lania Jane

Culpepper, Diane B.

Dallas, Fay

De Armas, Nestor M.

Deal, Mike

DeCiccio, Shelia Gupta

DeMaria, Ali

Edwards, Ted

Filliez, Tris

Frazee, Richard C

Fuhrman, Jean Marie

Gourlay, Alex B.

Gourlay, Karen

Groves, Kim

Habas, Leonard

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Hardy, James M.

Hartnett, Bob

Hughes, John I.

Hulslander, Donald Kurt

Hurlburt, John C.

Infantino, Thomas V.

Jallad, Johnny

Johnston, David A.

Jones, Frederick W.

Keena, Tony

King , Clyde

Klein, Kelleigh Knight, Randy B.

Komanski, Deborah Jones

Kramer, Steve

Lazar, Jody M.

Leary, Steve

Lemieux, Emily

Lemieux, Peter

Levy, Justin

Mackey, Kirk

Maisenholder, Rosemary

Manuel, William H.

Marchman, Kenneth R

Margraf, Wayne

Marlowe, Michael L.

Marsh, Duke

McGann, James K.

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Morgan, Andrea

Munns, Jane T.

Neill, Rob

Parker, Jessica

Peters, Kathleen

Pohlig, Holly

Prather, David D.

Price, Alan D.

Prill, Larry

Rader, Robert Lee

Roberts, Wayne P.

Roesch, Clay

Sacha, Thomas C.

Salerno, Frank A.

Sallee, Anne E.

Sanghrajka, Natwarlal

Shaheen, Dean

Sprinkel, Sarah

Sullivan, Eugene

Tabor, Christopher

Terranova, Joe

Thomas, Bryan M.

Walker, William A. II

Warner, Pitt

Weinman, Richard

Woodall, Woody

Yount, Richard

### **CLUB LEADERSHIP**

## **Officers**

**President: Bryan Thomas** 

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**President Nominee: Justin Levy** 

Treasurer: Debra Backer

Secretary: Jeffrey Blydenburgh

Frank Salerno: Sergeant at Arms

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Miles Delaberia

Mike Baldwin

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Richard Yount

2020-2022

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**Butch Margraf** 

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