

Rotary



Club of Churchland

Club Meeting Information

Churchland
Meets at American Legion Hall
- Churchland
3107 American Legion Road
Chesapeake, VA 23703
Time: Tuesday at 07:30 AM

Club Leaders



James N. Rhodes
DDS
President



Debra J. Aleck DPM
President-Elect



Wanda Smith
iPast President



Q. Karl Quinn
Secretary
Past President



David W. Stephenson
Treasurer
Past President
Webmaster



Brennan J. O'Connor
Sergeant-at-Arms
Past President



William Barrera
Club Director
Past President



Leslie H. Halstead Jr.
Club Director
Past President

NOVEMBER 24, 2020

By Sandra R. Stewart on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT JIM

My Fellow Rotarians:

As we approach Thanksgiving week, the upcoming holidays, and the end of the year, (YES), I think we start to reflect on our lives, to see if we have accomplished our goals we made 10 months ago.

As I write this message, November 22, 2020, I always reflect where I was 57 years ago today, the assassination of John F. Kennedy, 35th President of the U.S., in Dallas, Texas. I was 11 years old and sitting in my Principal's office being reprimanded. Where were you? We have a few Rotary club members who were not even born! It was a terrible time for the U.S. and the whole world, but we persevered and overcame this tragedy.

I think most people would agree that the year 2020 has been one of the worst years that the U.S. and the world has experienced in their lifetimes. With the pandemic, social unrest, and political nonsense, it has been an unbelievable year. But we will persevere and we will overcome all of this.

In twenty-nine years as a Rotarian, I can honestly say we certainly have not experienced a year like we have endured in Rotary this year. But, just like 57 years ago, and the 2020 pandemic year, we have persevered, and we will endure and overcome all the adversities placed in front of us this year. Our motto this year "Rotary Opens Opportunities" has never been more true. I'm so proud of our club members who have stepped forward in these difficult times to help keep our club functioning and pursuing its goals and objectives. Every time I have asked a member to do something, they have always been willing to do what I have asked of them without reservation to help the club. Opportunities for our members to serve their club and community were always accepted.

As we approach the last six weeks of the year, there are plenty of opportunities for our club to help the unfortunate people who need help, from this devastating year. We are asking each member to donate \$50 to the Christmas fund to help the agencies and families that Margaret Lane and her committee have targeted to help this year.

Thank you all again for your help this year. We will persevere and overcome the adversities and obstacles that we have faced and answer all the opportunities that have knocked on our door this year.

Have a Great and Safe Thanksgiving.

President Jim

HIGHLIGHTS OF MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2020

By Sandra R. Stewart on Wednesday, November 18, 2020



Kristin Anne Macan
Club Director



Roland Martin
Club Director



Pamela N McWhorter
Club Director



Philip Ashton Page
Club Director



William D. Pollard Jr.
Rotary Foundation Chair



Joe Lee Hansley
Membership Chair



Sandra R. Stewart
Attendance Secretary
Bulletin Editor



SuAnne Hardee Bryant
Assistant Governor



Speakers/Events

November 24, 2020
Terry Fraley/Rod Triplett
November Greeters

November 24, 2020
Dennis Price
Meeting Opener

November 25, 2020
David Stephenson/John Skrobiszewski
Meals On Wheels - Fourth
Wednesday

December 01, 2020

President Elect Debra called the meeting to order at 7:30 am and welcomed those in person and zoom.

Pamela led us in prayer, Charles with the Pledge and Margaret with the 4 Way Test. A delicious breakfast was enjoyed by all.

Nancy stated that the first order of peanuts went well and that there will be one last order before Christmas. She thanked everyone for their support of this fundraiser.

Debra presented 5 Happy Dollars and said she was happy to be here and to lead the meeting. Margaret thanked everyone for their donations received to date for the Christmas Fund and the support for the peanut sales. She is asking for \$50.00 from each member for the Christmas Fund this year. She accepts checks!

Marshall said that Tonya is always in need of help with Meals on Wheels so help when you can.

Nancy volunteered to write up something to get to the members on the recent district conference. Thank you Nancy for your always strong spirit!

Debra reminded everyone of the last volunteer opportunity for Oasis is to be December 13 at 7 a.m. sharp.

Next we heard from Joe Hansley on his classification talk.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 19, 2020

The Board Meeting was held Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Cincinnati Chili and the following were present: Jim, Sandy, David, Joe H., Les, Ashton, Wanda, Terry, Pam and Margaret.

The minutes and treasurer reports were presented and approved as given.

The 50/50 raffle will be held after first of year and Ashton is looking for a chairman and volunteers to help with this fundraiser.

The Board has decided to hold off making any decision on an alternative investment for the CD's until after first of year. Pam indicated that the election had no impact on rates and that we could realize between 2 and 3% in a fixed income product.

Charter night celebration is planned for next spring or early summer at Debra's house. The board plans to hold installation at a breakfast meeting in January and celebrate with a themed party at Debras when conditions allow.

Wanda will be getting the slate of officers and directors together with her nomination committee. Elections will be in December.

Peanut sales are going well. We have purchased, picked up and delivered 72 cases netting us \$3,000 profit. There will be one final order going in before Christmas.

The Board voted to allocate \$6,500 this year from the Christmas Fund to Edmarc and UP Center to purchase gift cards, groceries and wish list items for children and their families. Margaret and her committee are asking for \$50 from each club member to help with this project.

A request was received from Dorothy Jensen at Edmarc for \$1,000 to purchase 10 Thanksgiving baskets. The board approved \$500.00 for this request.

It is bell ringing season so be on lookout for the list so you can volunteer.

Debra is working on a process to use the points that we have accumulated at Rotary International. We have 18,000 points that can be used to fund a Paul Harris Fellow.

Joe H stated that it is very difficult during this time to secure new members. He will continue to look for opportunities.

Nancy Quell
Meeting Opener
December 01, 2020
Debra Aleck/Les Halstead
December Greeters

December 08, 2020
Debra Aleck/Les Halstead
December Greeters

December 08, 2020
Karl Quinn
Meeting Opener

December 15, 2020
Jim Rhodes
Meeting Opener

December 15, 2020
Debra Aleck/Les Halstead
December Greeters

December 17, 2020
David Stephenson
Meals On Wheels - Third
Thursday

December 17, 2020
Board Meeting
Cincinnati Chili

December 22, 2020
Debra Aleck/Les Halstead
December Greeters

December 22, 2020
Kendra Robinson
Meeting Opener

Birthdays

Robert F. Brewer
November 24th

Maureen Adele Bonenfant
December 21st

Wedding Anniversaries

Leslie H. Halstead Jr.
December 15th



THE FOUR WAY TEST

FIRST IS IT THE TRUTH?

SECOND IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?

THIRD WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

FOURTH WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

Rotary 

CLASSIFICATION TALK ON NOVEMBER 17, 2020



This week we heard all about Joe's life. He started off with showing us a few news clips of his work at the Joe Lee Hansley Foundation. What great work you do Joe.

Joe was born in in Georgia in a small town of 5,000 people. He was raised in humble conditions with welfare, food stamps and housing projects.

He did not do well in school and had a 1.9 GPA but after some mentoring was able to bring it up to 3.7. He had a life changing experience when he was in 7th grade when his Dad died of lung cancer. He was acting out and trying to get attention and was sent to an alternative school. He had a coach at that time that influenced him to play football. He never played organized sports before and that coach was a mentor to him. This mentor truly turned his life around. After High School he went into the Navy.

He was in boot camp when 911 happened. He was supposed to graduate on September 15 but due to 911 did not. It was a very different time. He flew out on September 29 to the USS George Washington where there were 6500 people on board. He met a lot of great people and quickly rose up the ranks. His schooling could have landed him a job making \$120,00 but that was not his calling. Also while in the Navy and when he was not working he went out and did good things in the community. He is proud of his extensive Navy career and he was able to see a lot of the world.

In 2005 he decided he wanted to give back and started the Joe Lee Hansley Foundation. He works with the young to promote learning and awards scholarships to those in need. He recently took students to 8 different colleges on a trip to Memphis where one kid was able to choose a college as result of the trip.

Joe served the country and community. On weekdays he walks into a Portsmouth school to encourage kids to make it. He urges kids to give back outside their neighborhoods. Our Rotary Club sponsored 2 kids on one of his trips.

Joe Lee Hansley Foundation Empowers at risk youth one day at a time. The purpose of the organization is to build leaders and increase academic and professional success through a mentor program as well as teaching necessary life skills. We thank you Joe for all that you do for Rotary and our community!

Joe has more to tell so he may be back for Joe Lee Hansley Part TWO!

CLASSIFICATION TALK FOR NOVEMBER 24, 2020



This week we will hear from Lucas Kemeni and his journey personally and professionally. We look forward to hearing from you Lucas!

PEANUTS

By Sandra R. Stewart on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Nancy and Margaret picked up the first order of peanuts and distributed it this past Tuesday. Thanks to all that placed orders to date. There will be one more order before Christmas so get those orders in today. Remember that this is our only fundraiser this year so it takes everyone's participation to be a success. Thanks

QUEEN OF HEARTS WINNER

By Sandra R. Stewart on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Margaret wins again this week and kindly donated her winnings to the Christmas Fund. Thanks Margaret for your generosity! The Queen pot continues to grow and soon one lucky person will take it all.

REMINDERS

By Sandra R. Stewart on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Bring in those canned goods please

Tonya is looking for volunteers every week so if you can, please coordinate. Thank you Marshall for your passion with this community activity.

Bring in your donation of \$50 for the Christmas Fund

REMEMBERING

By Sandra R. Stewart on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Dennis is home after surgery and is doing fine. Please continue to keep him and Patricia in your prayers. Come back to zoom when you can.

President Jim came through his surgery and is resting comfortably at home. Keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Dan and Marcia Matthews

Thank you David for keeping the club members informed and updated. John S has recently had some setbacks and will not be joining us for sometime. We are thinking of you and send prayers your way. We miss that spirit and hope to see you soon. Join us on Zoom if you are able.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

ASHTON is looking for a Chair and volunteers to help with the 50/50 raffle to be held next year. Please plan to attend a meeting after the breakfast meeting on Tuesday, December 1, 2020. Remember we need YOU to make this fundraiser a success.
