

Rotary



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Wednesday, July 22, 2020

Installation Dinner

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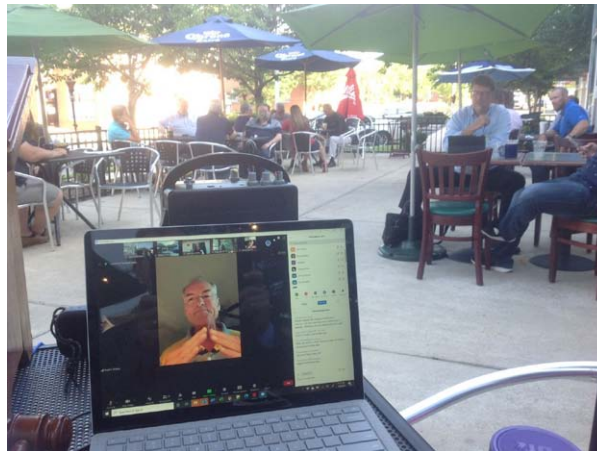


On Thursday, July 16th, the Charles County Rotary installed its 2020-21 Officers and Board of Directors. The occasion was a great success, conducted outdoors at the Port Tobacco River Marina and abiding by all the safety and social distancing requirements of the day. Our district governor, Jimmie Gorski not only attended and provided comments, but also inducted our newest member, Kiran Sitoula, and swore in the officers. Bucky Bowling was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow award.

Roger Arnold Addresses Club

Wednesday, July 8, 2020

On Wednesday, July 8th, Economist Roger Arnold addressed the club. He spoke about a range of economic dynamics, including the 1-9-90 rule that he argues should be front-of mind when considering the current international economic dynamic. Although his presentation may have warranted a much longer timeframe, club members enjoyed his discussion, many opting to stay afterward for additional question and answers.



For more information about Roger and his previous writings on economic topics see the following articles:

<https://www.thestreet.com/opinion/occupy-wall-street-and-the-1-9-90-rule-11280871>

<https://realmoney.thestreet.com/articles/11/13/2013/revisiting-1-9-90-rule>

Bonnie Grady Talks About Chamber

Monday, May 18, 2020

On Wednesday, May 13th, Bonnie Grady, President and CEO of the Charles County Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Rotary Club of Charles County during the "regular" weekly "zoom" meeting. Bonnie joined the chamber as its CEO in January of this year and will serve in the capacity as its President/CEO. She shared with the club that the Charles County Chamber has been highly active in sharing information with member businesses about recovery aid advocating for dealing with the pandemic. This includes several free webinars specifically to help cope with the current crisis.

Of important note is that through the end of August, Chamber of Commerce membership is free. She hopes that

Club Leaders



[Christopher T. Zabriskie](#)
iPast President
President



[Thomas G. Hill](#)
President - Elect



[Mark G. Walker](#)
Vice President



[Brian A. Seeling](#)
Secretary



[Christopher Simpson](#)
Treasurer



[Mark C. Elliott](#)
Sergeant-at-Arms



[Katherine Heichler](#)
Community Service
Chair



[Kevin M. Maljak](#)
Vocational Service
Chair



[Sharon L. Capitani](#)
Public Relations
Chair



[David Gehris](#)
Rotary Foundation
Chair



[Attie S. Ward](#)
Youth Services
Chair

[Barbara R. Thompson](#)
Area Governor



all county businesses will avail themselves of the opportunity and see what the chamber has to offer.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, May 21st at 10am-11am - [Virtual Roundtable with MD Comptroller Peter Franchot](#)

Wednesday, May 27th, 10am-11:30am - Chamber 101 -

<https://www.charlescountychamber.org/events/details/virtual-chamber-101-4648>

For available webinars - <https://www.meetcharlescounty.com/business-resilience>

For more information see - <https://www.charlescountychamber.org/>

As most you know, The Charles County Rotary Club is a member of the chamber, as are many of our club member businesses.



Speakers

July 22, 2020

[Barb Whipkey](#)

Wild Birds Unlimited

August 05, 2020

[Chris Zabriskie](#)

August 19, 2020

[Georgia Bonney](#)

Neighborhood Community Arts Center

Birthdays

Gregory C. Cockerham

July 24th

Thomas Wathen

July 26th

Fraser Tuffee

August 4th

R. Aaron Aist

August 17th

30th Little Library Installed

Monday, May 18, 2020



Charles County Rotary installed its 30th Little Free Library outside the Potomac Heights Community Center at 822 Glymont Road, Indian Head, MD at the request of Sandra. Sandra is a special Education teacher at General Smallwood Middle School in Indian Head. Jody JoJo her son was on hand to help Rotarian Jim Brewster with digging, lifting, and packing the Little Free Library.

La Plata Rotary is on Instagram

Saturday, April 18, 2020

As of last week, the Rotary Club of Charles County can be found on Instagram. Please like us and share with your friends - <https://www.instagram.com/laplatarotaryclub/>.

During our club meeting with this year's RYLA students these bright high-schoolers advised that we promote our youth programs and club activities on "social media." When asked, they agreed that Facebook is not the social media of choice for their generation, but rather, Instagram is a better channel to reach this generation.

Correspondence to the Club

Sunday, August 18, 2019

We received some mail last week that I'd like to share with the club.

- Thank you note from our scholarship recipient Kyle Batchelor.
- An invitation to participate in a fundraiser supporting Rebuilding together on September 21st at Mt. Aventine.
- An invitation to participate in a fundraiser supporting The Catherine Foundation on October 4th at the Waldorf Jaycee's.
 - For information contact Karen Hefler at assistant@catherinefoundation.org or call 301-932-8811 x302
- An invitation to participate in a fundraiser supporting CSM Foundation honoring Senate



Rotary and the Charles County Chamber of Commerce

Wednesday, July 31, 2019

As many of you may know, the Rotary Club of Charles County is a member of the Charles County Chamber of Commerce. As a result, we are supportive of businesses throughout the county. However, you may not know exactly how membership in the chamber can benefit you. As a member of the chamber and a Rotarian, you can attend chamber functions as a representative of Rotary. This means, for networking mixers and social events, you are entitled to pay the member rate of \$15 (instead of \$25). Please represent Rotary by wearing your Rotary pin.

A few upcoming events you can attend include:

- Aug 1, 2019 - Chamber August Mixer at Community Bank of the Chesapeake, 5:30pm, 3035 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf
- Aug 15, 2019 - Network at Noon, 12pm, Hilton Garden Inn, 10385 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf

For an up-to-date schedule of events, see their website at [Home - Charles County Chamber of Commerce, MD](#)



Charles County Rotary Installs 2019 Leadership

By Christopher T Zabriskie on Friday, July 5, 2019

The Rotary Club of Charles County (La Plata) installed a new slate of officers during its June 28th Installation Dinner event at The Prime Street Grill in White Plains. Rotarians celebrated the culmination of Chelsea Brown's year as president, the club's 43rd since 1975. The dinner was MC'ed by Larry Sanders, of E.L. Sanders Insurance in La Plata, and was attended by District Governor Rich Glover, of the South Frederick Rotary Club, and Assistant Governor Barbara Thompson, of the Lexington Park Rotary. Incoming president, Chris Zabriskie thanked Chelsea for her year leading the club and discussed plans for the upcoming year that included growing club membership, increasing giving to the Rotary Foundation, and strategic planning for the future.

Fifteen club members were recognized for having achieved perfect attendance, and eight members and two special guests were awarded with Paul Harris Fellowships. Rotary recognizes as Paul Harris Fellow a member who has donated, or has had donated in his or her name, at least \$1,000 to the Rotary Foundation. The award, named for Paul Harris, who founded Rotary in 1905. In addition to Rotarians Chris Simpson, Chelsea Brown, Tony Jernigan, Aron Aist, Tom Wathan, Dana Levy, Seth Distler, and Marv Lewis, Rotarian Dave Gehris made a contribution to recognize two members of the community who have been outstanding community contributors for years.

In addition to Chris Zabriskie, the new club president, Chris Simpson, who had previously served as club president in 2017-2018, was installed as the club's new vice president. Tommy Hill will continue as the club treasurer, and Mark Walker was installed as club secretary. Eric Martin is the new Community Service Lane Director, Attie Ward is the New Generations Lane Director, Josh Joston will continue as Club Service Director, and Byx Bullock will continue as International Service Lane Director.

Club Meeting

Charles County (La Plata)
Meets at Green Turtle LaPlata Currently Online at <https://zoom.us/j/442778694>

6 Street Mary's Avenue
La Plata, MD 20646
Time: Wednesday at 07:30 AM