

Rotary Roundup

The Sykesville-South Carroll Rotary Club, Sykesville, MD http://www.rotary7620.org/

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Rotary Roundup for July, 2020

Join Us! - Where We Meet

Our breakfast club gathers at the Acts Fairhaven Retirement Community (7200 Third Avenue, Sykesville), on the 1st, 3rd, 4th, and 5th (on those certain months) Tuesday mornings at 7:15 a.m. For further details, please call Dawn at 443-244-7799.



Dates to Remember

July 7 ♦ Regular plus Zoom Meeting (8:00 a.m.) at Pat and Ray♦s

July 14 Regular plus Zoom Meeting (8:00 a.m.)

July 21 Regular plus Zoom Meeting (8:00 a.m.) at Amy

July 28 Regular plus Zoom Meeting (8:00 a.m.)

Meeting Notes

June 2, 2020

The following announcements were made:

- It was announced that Todd Brown would match any contributions made to the CCC Student Emergency Assistance Fund.
- Another successful food drive was held last Saturday at St.

Paul s UMC. This is to be followed by another later in June and one in July. The leftovers were delivered to the families of those in the Homework Club.

- The vegetable garden has been planted by Pat Greenwald at the School House.
- Additional masks have been donated to the Hospital. Gift slips and food have also been delivered to hospital employees.
- Pat and Ray reported seeing several very impressive flags displays on a recent trip to the Eastern Shore.
- Virginia Harrison reported that even though the McDaniel students have left, they still have some tutors to help the kids at the Boys and Girls Club which remains closed.
- Nancy reported that there was a picture of our Club in the Carroll County Times, but it was located under a headline about a Lions Club.

Andrew Fleming, the winner of the Metz scholarship, zoomed in and thanked the Club for his scholarship. He plans to major in computer science and attend James Madison University. He said the college fully intends to bring the students back in the fall and start at the normal time. All classes will be recorded, some will be on-line, and others in person. At Century HS he was involved in the drama club and was in several plays. He is interested in music, especially music theory. He took a computer class at the Career and Tech Center and it was there that in his senior year studied research and development.

There were eight plus Andrew in attendance.

June 9, 2020

The following announcements were made:

- The food pantry at St. Paul s is going well and is expected to operate through June. There has been an abundance of fresh produce to distribute. In addition to Homework Club families, an elderly couple in the neighborhood is also receiving food.
- Baldwin s Restaurant has been sold. It is rumored to be renamed. Ray and Pat s neighbors are the new owners and reportedly have no restaurant experience. The deck has been torn down and some repainting has been completed. It is expected to open at the end of June.
- Due to the COVID-19 restrictions at Fairhaven, the Club is searching for another place to meet.

There were 11 attending this Zoom meeting

June 16, 2020

The following announcements were made:

• Next week s meeting will be on Nancy Parker s deck at 8 A.M.

- at 6697 Chateau Bay Court (off Johnsonville Road.) She will provide bagels, coffee, and tea.
- The following week the meeting will be at Dawn s followed by Greenwald s on July 7.
- Virginia announced that the Boys and Girls Club is now open on Fridays for a few students to help them with homework.
- Virginia plans to put out some campaign signs in July.
- Pat announced that a tutor has been working with two little kindergarten girls outside on a sidewalk. She also said that one family with seven children is refusing food from the pantry.
- Last week♦s Food Pantry donated 40 bags to about 25 people.
- A question was raised about encryption of Zoom. Free Zoom is not encrypted, but paid Zoom is. Rotary meetings are encrypted and are paid accounts.

Conor Finch, a scholarship winner from South Carroll High School, joined the meeting. He plans to attend Virginia Tech and study aerospace engineering and plans to join Club Track and Club Hockey. He leaves for school August 24. After Fall break, classes will be online. He expressed thanks for the scholarship and was an active participant in the Zoom meeting which was attended by eight people this week.

June 23, 2020

The meeting was held on a foggy morning on the deck of Nancy Parker shome in a lovely setting. Nancy provided a breakfast of bagels and beverages with background music provided by the songs of neighborhood birds. There were seven in attendance, two more by Zoom plus a Zoom visit by Lily Conaway, a scholarship winner from Century High school.

The following announcements were made:

- 50 bags of food were distributed to about 30 families at the St. Paul s food pantry last week.
- The way forward for Oktoberfest is uncertain. Do it yourself kits are still being considered. Collaboration with restaurants to have carryout German food was a possibility. Insurance issues remain unresolved. Dawn is hesitant to ask previous sponsors for money due to the stresses brought on by COVID-19. Possible ways to raise money to replace the income from Oktoberfest were also discussed and no conclusions were reached.
- Virginia announced that the Boys and Girls Club will reopen in a few weeks for outdoor camp.
- The camp run by the State state state state state.
- Lily Conaway thanked members for her scholarship. She plans to attend Towson and major in psychology. She would like to be a clinical psychologist and take her skills abroad to help others. She

will move to Towson August 24 and attend classes there until Thanksgiving. The semester will finish online and then she will return to the campus for second semester.

The next meeting will be held on Dawn so deck. If it rains, the meeting will be held on Pat and Ray so covered porch. Both locations are located on River Road.

June 30, 2020

The meeting was held on Dawn so deck with about 15 in attendance, three of which were attending by Zoom. Richard, Todd, and Earl were serenaded in honor of their birthdays.

The following announcements were made:

- A sheet was distributed to sign up for hosting and running future meetings. If desired, the host can arrange for a speaker. Amy signed up for July 21.
- The District Conference was recently held and Geetha Jararam ,the new District Governor, began her term of office. It was announced that the Rotary Website is being redone. Awards were given out at the conference.
- The Food pantry continues to do well under the sponsorship of St. Paul s, Rotary, and the Impact Church. This week 51 grocery bags and 21 boxes of food were distributed, including lots of pet food. Milk is being donated by Matt Hoff (one of the editor s former students) who runs Cold Springs Farm. Bread, juice, and lots of other items are being donated by many others.
- The Homework Club families received food for 16 weeks and that program has stopped. On Saturday mornings produce is being delivered from the Fairhaven Community Garden to Schoolhouse Road residents. Pat supplies something special to the kids each week.

It was suggested to pursue setting up a stand in downtown Sykesville on Saturdays to earn money for the Club,

The 50/50 is scheduled to make a return appearance at the meeting next week to be held at Pat and Ray Greenwald shome on River Road.