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**District 7280** 

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# **Dr. Chuck Joy** Erie County's Poet Laureate



Chuck Joy is a poet, resident of Erie County. His poems have appeared in a number of magazines: Chiron Review, Rattapallax, Foundlings, Great Lakes Review. Several anthologies: Lake Effect, Dwelling in Possibility, Picture This. Chuck appears with Kurt Sahlmann on the CD Live at The Jive (CDBaby.com).

Collections of Chuck's poems include Every Tiger Wants To Sing (Poets' Hall Press), Said the Growling Dog (Nirala Publications), Percussive (Turning Point), and the new chapbook The Opposite of Gifts (Heyman! Productions).

Chuck Joy is a member of the Italian-American Writers Association and the Mercyhurst Community Writing Workshop. A child psychiatrist, Dr. Chuck is a member of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and is poetry editor of their newsletter.

A poet producer, Chuck partnered with Kathleen Cantrell for Poetry Scene, a weekly poetry event at the Erie Book Store. Currently he's producing Poetry Night, a weekly poetry event at Calamari's 1317 State, where he also hosts. Stage shows have included Exploring The Border, All Aboard, Silver Creek, Helping Ricky, We Make It Easy.

Dr. Joy attended Cathedral Preparatory School (1969), received his BA from Fordham University (1973), and his MD from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine (1978). He pursued psychiatry training at Warren State Hospital and West Virginia University at Morgantown where he was Chief Resident and completed a Child and Adolescent Psychiatry fellowship.

Chuck Joy was a founding member and initial chairman of the Erie County Pennsylvania Poetry Initiative. He is Erie County's sixth Poet Laureate. Chuck lives with his wife Dawn, their children Nicole, Veronica, and Gregory all grown. More at <u>chuckjoy.com</u>.

# **Supporting Cast:**

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President: Lisa Graff Greeter: T.J. Richter Invocation: Penny Mechley-Porter Pianist: Bruce Gingrich Song Leader: Tom Pysz Sgt at Arms: Zac Wild Speaker Intro: Dawn Joy

#### **PROGRAM** SCHEDULE:

Lunch Meeting at the SHERATON BAYFRONT HOTEL 11:30 am - Buffet Opens

12:00 pm - Meeting

#### <u>FEB 6:</u>

Adam Bratton Nonprofit Partnership & Beyond Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

#### **FEB 13:**

**Joshua Helmer** Erie Art Museum Lunch Meeting @ Sheraton

FEB 27: Dr. Afzal Upal Dr. Christopher Monsour Cyber Security Experts



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# UPDATE on Joyce Miller 24 hrs after surgery (1/18/19)

#### Everyone:

I am happy to say that this surgery was even easier than the first one last month. While it lasted a little longer, they were able to remove all the tumor that could be seen on the MRI-close to 99%, which is great news. In two weeks, I will have all my follow-up appointments to know the Clinic's recommended next steps. And, my daughters and I are already investigating other clinical trials for my type of glioblastoma brain tumor, so we can make the best decision possible for my next steps.

I will be going home tomorrow and staying with my brother and sister-in-law through Jan 24th, then returning to Erie.

On January 31 - I will return to Cleveland Clinic and then probably be in treatment for at least 2-3 months, which I will start after I do a short 2 week trip to Puerta Vallarta in mid-February.

At east half of my treatment, I will be able to do at home--the chemo part that is done in pill form.

So, all in all, I am feeling well and will bounce back as quickly as I did before.

Again, I want to extend my thanks for all of you. I have had so much positive energy, prayers and well wishes from all of you. I can't thank you enough. It has been a great help to me and my family to know that I have such a high level of support and caring from all my friends and family, both near and far.

Once I know my treatment plans in a couple weeks I will post to everyone again. In the meantime, when I'm back in Erie, I will probably see some of you in and around town.

Take care, *Joyce* 



(Thinking of you ...

Melvin Witherspoon had a total knee replacement on December 19. He is healing but it is taking longer than he expected. If you'd like to send well wishes to Melvin, his address is below:

832 EAST 36 STREET, ERIE PA 16504

#### **A MESSAGE from the HAITI EDUCATION PROJECT**

A message, forwarded by Mary Ellen Dahlkemper, from Rosa-Marie Guzman, the educator and architect of the Haiti Education Project (and school rebuilding project after the hurricane) that our Club and District 7280 supported for 10 years in Les Cayes:

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"Just to say hi and wish you a great new year before it gets too old! Hope 2019 is treating you well and your plans become a reality.

Here in Les Cayes we are all busy with Rotary. After a busy year accompanying my husband, Robert Legere, during his club visits while District Governor, it is nice to go back to be just a member again.

We really enjoyed the 83 clubs in 10 different territories (16 islands) in the Caribbean and although challenging, it was a great, humbling and rewarding experience. One never to be forgotten and that made a big difference in our lives!!!

I am so sorry about Dick (DeLuca) passing away. Please transmit our condolences to his family and members of his club. I can imagine that it is a great loss for everyone.

Congratulations for the Ethics Symposium since it is very important in our communities. And hope it continues to be a great success."

Best Regards, Rosa **Background:** From 2002 to 2012, the Erie Rotary Club created an amazing partnership with the Rotary Club of Les Cayes, Haiti to address systemic illiteracy in that country. Over the 10 years, our project took on many partners including every governor from District 7280 adopting the project during his or her term thus involving all 50 clubs in the district.



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- AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE: JAN 30
- 3 PAYOUTS OF \$100 FOR MATCHING LAST NUMBER OF THE AFC VS NFC TEAM, FOR EACH OF THE FIRST 3 QUARTERS.
- \$200 PAYOUT FOR MATCHING THE FINAL SCORE
- IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND MEETING BUT WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A SQUARE, PLEASE E-MAIL : JULIECELLA@LIVE.COM -or- ZAC.WILD@EDWARDJONES.COM
- GARY WILL INVOICE YOU FOR THE PURCHASE

"Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Erie Scholarship Foundation"





We want to send lots of birthday wishes to

John Brinling Jr - Jan. 27 Dennis Lagan - Jan 27 Lisa Graff - Jan 30

Enjoy your day!





### Searching for High School Juniors to attend Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) June 9-14, 2019 at Westminster College

If you know a student with leadership ability, here is a great opportunity for them. This can be your child, a friend, a neighbor, an athlete. Program and meals paid for by Erie Rotary, only cost to student is getting to and from Westminster. Would like names by March 1 so that interviews can be scheduled.

> **Contact Karen Burton Horstman with questions or referrals:** kbh@Burtonfuneralhome.com

SEE BROCHURE ATTACH-MENT WITH THIS WEEK'S NEWSLETTER EMAIL

### **Please** join Brenda Bennett at 7:00 as she serves your favorite drinks! benefitting **Because You Care, Inc.** Animal Rescue and Adoption...Since 1981 FOR THE LOVE OF RESCUES n't make the All tips benefit Donate in advance and indicate your "tip" is for Animal Rescue our favorite bartender Thursday, Feb. 7 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. **Millcreek Brewing Co.** 4102 West Lake Road **Fecause** YouCare.Inc. Find our guest bartenders and times on **f**

#### - SAVE ΗE **ΔΤΕ-**

Linda Wilkinson is on the Board & this is Brenda's second year volunteering!

If you can't make it but would like to give a donation - contact Brenda:

bbennett@drivingneeds.com



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## - Rotary in Review -January 23, 2019 Patrick Fisher | Erie Arts & Culture



Geri Cicchetti, song leader and invocation



*Patrick Fisher, speaker Executive Director of Erie Arts & Culture* 



Speaker Presentation



Brady Louis, Rotarian | Kate Nuebert-Lechner, Exec Dir. of the Erie Playhouse Tom Ferraro, EA&C board member | Jim Dible, EA&C board member and Patrick Fisher, Speaker



Patrick Fisher, Lisa Graff and Tom Ferarro

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