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The Lewes/Rehoboth Rotary Club Meets:

**Mondays
5:45pm—7:00pm**

**Children's Beach House
1800 Bay Avenue
Lewes, DE**

Program of July 22:

Kurt Wehberg Beebe—Robotic Surgery

On July 22, Dr. Kurt Wehberg of Beebe Hospital, spoke to Rotary about its one year - old Center for Robotic Surgery. Wehberg, who began the robotic program at Peninsula Medical Center in Salisbury, comes to Beebe after 27 years of work in open heart surgery, and more recently, robotic surgery.

The trend to technology is of benefit to both patients and the health care system. For patients, as opposed to open procedures which require invasive cutting of the body, robotics allows the attending physician to make smaller incisions which results in lower rates of infection; surgical teams operate for a shorter period of time because the robotic system is able to move in ways that cannot be duplicated by the human hand; and there is less need for pain medications which reduces the likelihood of addiction to opioids. Recovery periods are much shorter; hospital stays can be reduced from 7 - 8 days to as little as one day, thus saving Beebe about \$13,000 per case, or over \$130,000 per month.

Not every patient is the right candidate for robotically assisted procedures, and so the Beebe surgical teams are still performing traditional open surgery. But the trend is obvious - in 2019, 150 operations were performed with the assistance of robots versus six relying on the traditional method.

Dr. Wehberg and his colleagues are committed to being a leader in providing patients with minimally invasive treatments that allow them to recover more quickly and a return to enjoyment of their lives.

Submitted by John Li

This Week's Program:

DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISIT

Upcoming Programs

- Aug 12 Alicia Hollis, KSI (LPL)
- Aug 19 Reggae For A Cause (Peninsula)
- Aug 26 Ron Collins, History Book Festival (CBH)
- Sep 2 NO MEETING—LABOR DAY
- Sep 9 FFH Dinner (CBH)
- Sep 16 TBD (CBH)
- Sep 23 Club Assembly (CBH)
- Sep 30 Social Meeting—Cape Water Taxi

CBH—Children's Beach House
LPL = Lewes Public Library

The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Club Membership:

Current Active Members: 42
Current Honorary Members: 4

Think about bringing a friend or associate to a meeting as a potential member.



Membership List

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| Bob Backman | Venise Kramarski |
| Jason Bentley | John Li |
| Bill Berry | Parker Livingston |
| Paul Carey | Robert Lore |
| Lynn Cecil | Christine Macysyn |
| Jonathan Cherry | Richard Meccarielli |
| Michael Cohalan | Kenneth Mecham |
| Georgiann Deist | Bill Peterson |
| Larry Fifer | Mary Jo Porreca |
| Dennis Forney | Andrew Ratner |
| Melissa Graver | Dave Repass |
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| James Hooban | James Ruth |
| Kenny Hopkins | Anis Saliba |
| Ram Hosmane | Gerry Smith |
| Bill Huntley | Nitan Soni |
| George Jarvis | Michael South |
| Richard Jundt | Paul Stitik |
| Dave Keller | Bruce Summer |
| Jeff Kitchen | Chuck Ward |
| Harry Kraiza | Richard Wheeler |

HELP THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Please consider contributing to the Rotary Foundation on a regular basis.

One benefit is for our club to qualify for district grants. In order to qualify, we must, as a club, contribute the equivalent of \$100 per member each year.

The easiest way to contribute is to add the amount to the quarterly bill you receive from the club.

Should you have any questions, please contact our club's Foundation Chair—Andrew Ratner.

Club Foundation Update

Our Paul Harris Fellows

(\$1,000+ Contribution to the Rotary Foundation)

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| Bob Backman | Jeff Kitchen +3 | Richard Wheeler |
| Jason Bentley | Harry Kraiza +1 | |
| Bill Berry | John Li | |
| Paul Carey | Parker Livingston +3 | |
| Lynn Cecil | Bob Lore | |
| Michael Cohalan | Ken Mecham | |
| Georgiann Deist | Bill Peterson +5 | |
| Larry Fifer | Andrew Ratner | |
| Dennis Forney | Jack Riddle | |
| James Hooban +6 | Jim Ruth | |
| Ram Hosmane +4 | Anis Saliba +1 | |
| George Jarvis | Gerry Smith | |
| Richard Jundt | Michael South +3 | |
| Dave Keller +3 | Bruce Summer +1 | |

2019-2020 Sustaining Members

(\$100 Annual Contribution to Rotary Foundation)

- Bill Huntley
- Andrew Ratner

2019-2020 Every Rotarian Every Year

(Any Contribution to the Rotary Foundation)

- Bill Huntley
- Andrew Ratner

2019-2020 Club Foundation Goals:

- Annual Program: Goal—\$TBD
- Contributions YTD—\$200
- Polio Plus: Goal—\$TBD
- Contributions YTD—\$

