

Rotary



Club of Prince George County

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

Club Meeting

Prince George County Meets at Luca Italian Restaurant
6411 Courthouse Road
Prince George, VA 23875
Time: Wednesday at 07:30 AM



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Club Leaders



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Petersburg Healthy Options Partnership Grant

By Cynthia Walker Mitchell on Saturday, April 10, 2021



Celebrating Rotary's Maternal & Child Health Month! Program Host is Cynthia Mitchell, President Elect of the Prince George Rotary.

Dr. Morgan Maxwell, PhD, MA, Senior Research Associate, Center for Public Health Practice & Research, Virginia Tech will speak to the Prince George Rotarians about a grant that will address health issues in the Petersburg area. She is excited to share with us all the wonderful things they are doing in Petersburg to address food access, active transportation, and implementation of healthy food standards.

Hailing from Charlotte, NC, Dr. Maxwell is an international community-engaged health researcher and behavioral research scientist with extensive experience designing and conducting community-engaged and evaluative research on social determinants of health.

As a Petersburg resident, Dr. Maxwell is especially focused on addressing obesity through meaningful partnership.

Access to fun for all

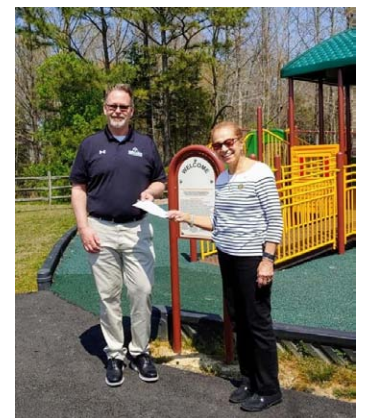
By Janice L. Rowley on Wednesday, April 7, 2021

On April 6th, President Lillian Boyd presented a check to Keith Rotzell, Director of the Prince George Parks and Recreation in support of ADA approved accessibility material for the special needs playground at the JEJ Moore Sports Complex. Photo by Jan Rowley.

Prince George Parks and Recreation is installing an accessible special needs playground at the JEJ Moore Sports Complex. Limitations in the Parks and Rec budget due to COVID budget cuts, funding for a pathway to connect the playground to

sidewalks nearby is threatened. With the \$3000.00 of our District Grant funds along with our \$300 Club contribution, we could help fund construction of the asphalt pathway to make the playground accessible to sidewalks and parking lots. We have worked with Prince George Parks and Recreation in the past through District grants to provide an accessible

special needs swing and pathway at Scott Park; collaborated on providing kayak launch and comfort station at the Appomattox Regional River Park; and planted trees at the Upper Scott Park Soccer fields. This current project included a contribution of \$5650 by the Prince George Parks & Recreation Foundation towards the playground access. President Elect Cynthia Mitchell is the author of this District Grant Project.



On June 5th the club will plant native plants at the site in honor of Prince George Rotary Day (June 1). June 1 has been designated in perpetuity by the Board of Supervisors as Rotary Day in Prince George. Every year the



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Prince George Rotary holds a public event or project for the public. All are invited to enjoy this effort to make our JEJ Moore Sports Complex and Playground more accessible and beautiful.

Rotary Prince George County

JUNE 5, 2021 | 9 -12 AM

Join the Prince George Rotarians and the PG Parks & Rec as we plant **native** plants at the JEJ Moore Sports Complex in honor of Rotary Day in PG

CONTACT: PGROTARY23875@GMAIL.COM FOR INFO

Bring a rake, hoe, or shovel, gloves, sun hat

PROVIDED
Snacks
Water
Door Prizes

Events/Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

- Cynthia Walker Mitchell
April 24th
- Donald R. Hunter
April 25th
- William F. Gandel
April 28th
- Lillian K Boyd
April 29th
- Crystal Johnson-Smith
May 1st
- Carol Dois Woodward
May 1st
- Benton E. Woodruff Jr.
May 2nd

Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

Club Member Anniversaries

No Years Of Service Found

Where to learn more about Rotary with clicks

By Carol Dois Woodward on Thursday, April 8, 2021



Don't let learning about Rotary be daunting. Try it a bite at a time. Here is a [document](#) that may help you navigate online resources to explore the global, local, and personal world of Rotary. Got questions? Ask any Rotarian(s) of your choice to answer your burning questions.

[Online Rotary Resorces](#)

Maternal Mortality Rates Rising in Virginia

By Cynthia Walker Mitchell on Saturday, April 10, 2021

" I just don't feel well"

Hear Her Concerns. Help her seek care.

Another Prince George Rotary coin was sent on it's way to Dr. Tanya Wynn, MD, to thank her for making us aware of the prevalence of Maternal Mortality (death while pregnant or within 42 days of the end of a pregnancy) here in

the United States, and what we as Rotarians can do. Some alarming stats she shared are that the US is not among the countries that have insurance that covers important postpartum home visits, 700 women per year in US die from maternal mortality, and African American women have been shown to be 3 times more likely to suffer from maternal mortality than Hispanic, Asian Pacific Islander, Native American and White women and that 20 out of every 100,000 women in Virginia suffer from maternal mortality! Some contributing factors that put women at risk are:



- Implicit Bias
- Life Stressors
- Lack of Access to care, insurance, inability to pay co-pay, length of travel to get care, lack of transportation, lack of knowledge of resources, mental health and nutrition.

There are things being done to combat this issue, but there's still work to be done. Encourage and support **Legislation**:

- ACA (Affordable Care Act), makes possible community programs, midwives, postpartum visits, preventative care, still being able to stay on parent's insurance
- Omnibus Act of 2020

Support the efforts of the **Quality Care Collaborative**.

Promote **Hospital Involvement** in the training in implicit bias, tool kits for practice, articles, guides, etc.

What Can We Do?

The Governor has earmarked \$22 million to decrease infant and maternal mortality. He has also been advocated an increase and extension of Medicaid coverage to 60 days instead of the 6 weeks it was. This is key since research has shown that there is still a great risk of maternal mortality up to 1 year.

Each of us can be an advocate for a partner, family member or friend, become familiar with warning signs, but if the mother says "I just don't feel well", help her seek care!

How Can We Advocate?

Everyone can become aware of available resources (Douglas, home visits, parenting programs, home visits, violence prevention), encourage and support legislation that improves community programs, volunteer our time, or donate money.

Champion the **Hear Her Concerns** effort. Become familiar with the resource to use to open a conversation about maternal mortality.

**Maternal Mortality is increasing in the United States. There is no one cause.
The CDC and the WHO is providing research, guidance and resources to combat it.
Check our own biases and encourage others to do the same.**

GET INVOLVED

Thanks again to President Lillian Boyd for getting our speaker, Dr. Tanya Wynn!

Note: [Dr. Wynn's slide presentation](#)

Scholarship Season!

By Crystal Johnson-Smith on Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Class of 2021

Rotary Prince George County

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2021!
at
Prince George High School & Rowanty Technical Center
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
DEADLINE TO APPLY - FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021

The Rotary Club of Prince George County awards three \$1000 scholarships to three graduation Prince George Seniors each year. Spread the word.

[2021 Scholarship Application](#)

2021 Prince George Rotary Scholarship Application

By Carol Dois Woodward on Tuesday, April 6, 2021



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It's Prince George Rotary Scholarship Season! Are you or is a member of your family college or trade school bound? See the 2021 Scholarship Application [HERE](#).

Prince George County seeks volunteers for upcoming softball tournament

By Brian K. Manning on Tuesday, April 6, 2021



Pictured is the Dinwiddie Darlings 2019 team. Prince George County is asking for volunteers to help with the

2021 Dixie League Softball World Series. The county is hosting the event from July 23 through July 29. Teams from thirteen states will be visiting the area to play at the JEJ Moore Athletic Complex in Disputanta.

The county would like to assign an "aunt" or "uncle" to each team to be a local contact for local information. The county would like to promote as many Prince George businesses as possible and the county will be providing each team and each volunteer with a welcome packet that includes information on local businesses. Volunteers would be the contact person to answer questions the teams might have about the area or the businesses. The county would also like assistance in preparing goody bags for each player to be distributed upon the team's arrival.

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the event should contact Stacey English, Economic Development Specialist with Prince George County, (804) 691-3454 or (804) 722-8609. Stacey's email is senglish@princegeorgecountyva.gov.

The Four Way Test

By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, June 8, 2020

