

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

#### **Club Meeting**

Prince George County Meets at Luca Italian Restaurant 6411 Courthouse Road Prince George, VA 23875

Time: Wednesday at 07:30 AM



#### **Club Leaders**



<u>Lillian K</u> <u>Boyd</u> President



Brian K. Manning President -Elect



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Janice L. Rowley Rotary Foundation Chair

Mary K. Ford

## Saeed Ishakaku from Ghana to speak to club on March 3rd





Club Admin Chair



Donna D. Street Community Service Chair



Sasha Reynolds Youth Services Chair



Shel M. Douglas International Service Chair

We are honored to have as our speaker on March 3rd Saeed Ishakaku, Director of Water and Sanitation in the Bekwai Municipal Assembly in Ghana. The Prince George Rotary has been involved in a number of water, hygiene, and simple school projects in various districts in Ghana over the last three years. Many of those borehole wells have been installed in Saeed's district.

Peg Whipple is the program chair and Shel Douglas, Ghana Global Grant Author and our past Assistant Governor, was instrumental in securing our speaker.

We hope to have more bio in the next day or two and if Zoom and FaceBook honor us, we will provide his presentation on FaceBook Live.

## **Prince George Club Sponsors Two Students to RYLA**



### **Events/Speakers**

No Events found

#### **Birthdays**

No Birthdays Found

#### Wedding Anniversaries

No Wedding Anniversaries Found

#### Club Member Anniversaries

Donald R. Hunter 02-26-2016 5 Years



Sasha Reynolds, club Youth Service Chair, reported that the club sponsored two young students to the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Conference (RYLA). The event was virtual this year for obvious reasons. RYLA is held every year over the President's Day holiday. Attendees learn leadership skills at the hands of Rotaracters. They engage in lectures, gaming, and role playing to practice skills in conflict resolution, volunteer encouragement, personal engagement, and other important topics. These may be viewed as "soft-skills" but these skills are critical in all areas of human endeavor.

Zoe Stoke and Brooke Reynolds were our two students and we may have a report from one of them for our next newsletter. We had a third very interested and very worthy applicant, but she was juuuuuuust a tad to young for the program.

## **Grant Management Seminar on March 18th.**

# GRANT MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

March 18, 2021 | 7-9 pm

Virtual/Free/Register on dacdb.com calendar

Register by March 17 to receive Zoom Link Training Materials on d7600foundation.org



The second and last Grant Management Seminar for the 2021-2022 grant year will be held on March 18 from 7-9 pm.

Any club wishing to be eligible to receive a Rotary grant must have at least one person (more is preferable) from the club attend the seminar. Prince George is already eligible, but if you would like to know more about obtaining a Rotary grant from District 7600 consider attending. It is free. It is virtual. You register on the dacdb.com calendar.

If you aren't familiar with dacdb.com, just give Carol a call and she can walk you through the registration process.

## Roei Shaul Hillel Spoke to the club via Zoom



"Am I doning more good than harm?" was an insightful mantra expressed by our February 17th speaker, Peace Fellow Roei Shaul Hillel. Roei, though young, has had engaged in many humanitarian efforts in other countries. This Israeli has volunteered in Cambodia and curently engaged in his field experience requirement for his Peace Fellow credential in Bosnia. His Field experience was extended because of travel restrictions. The airports in Israel are closed to incoming passengers.

He is enrolled at the Duke-UNC Rotary Peace Center in Chapel Hill where is enrolled in both the Peace Center and in the graduate school of Social Work to earn his Masters in Social Work. His area of interest is in Child and Adolescent Mental Health. In his travels to developing or war torn countries have made him acutely aware of the long term traua inflicted on youngsters, especially if they are physically or sexually abused, or their families disrupted.

Roei's program was captured on FaceBook Live. If you are interested in his presentation please check it out on facebook.com/princegeorgerotary.

### **Bifocals Senior Theatre**

By Cynthia Walker Mitchell on Wednesday, February 17, 2021



Bifocals Senior Actors has been a blessing to many at Senior facilities in the Tri-cities area.

About the year 2003, the Bifocals Theatre Project began as an initiative by the Virginia Repertory Theatre Company in which senior (55+) actors, producers, directors, designers were paid to perform for Seniors. The name came from the idea of performing on stage in the theatre(near) and on tour(far) to senior centers and retirement facilities throughout Central Virginia.

The seed money for this project was provided by The Community Foundation and Isabella Witt, and was launched under the Barksdale Theatre banner. Bifocals went through many changes and eventually found a home with Chamberlayne Actor's Theatre. Bifocals continued to perform plays written by local play writes(avoiding exorbitant royalties) and the revenue earned from ticket sales and performances paid the performers. Bifocals continued to provide services to all facilities who wanted the shows, no facility was turned down!

I first became involved with Bifocals as an actress. As a recent retiree to the Prince George area, I enjoyed performing at senior facilities and meeting other very talented performers. Later, I stepped into the Producer slot during the 2017-2018 season when the previous Producer, Pat Walker decided to retire. My responsibility was to produce 4 shows. This involved choosing the plays, securing a director, holding auditions, scheduling rehearsals, scheduling and contracting performances, publicity, etc. Each show was performed twice on the stage at the CAT Theatre then toured for 3 weeks to 10-15 senior facilities(depending on the bookings) in the Richmond, Petersburg, Farmville area. The cast traveled to each venue, set up the pipe and drape and scenery in the performance space. After the performance, the cast then took down and packed up for the next performance. Audiences thoroughly enjoyed interacting with the actors after the show and the actors got a kick out of talking to "friends" in the audience. To some of the actors, it was a mission! We were thrilled to bring laughs and smiles to those living in senior facilities.

About a year ago, the world seemed to turn upside down! COVID-19 changed how we lived our lives, and sadly some of us lost loved ones. We put our performance schedule on pause to keep everyone safe. Until we can get back on stage or tour, we've been working hard to meet you online.



Our new offering, "What's On TV?" has been in rehearsals and is available via CATharsis Pandemic Theatre. What so On TV? will be available for viewing Monday, February 22 to March 8, 2021. Please view our offering, like and share often.

Link to view show: Chamberlayne Actors Theatre (cattheatre.com)

## **Rotarians Volunteer for PG County COVID Call Center**



Club Rotary Foundation Chair and a Past President of the Prince George Rotary, Jan Rowley, is shown as she does one of her volunteer shifts at the Prince George COVID Information Call Center. The number is 804-722-8799. Localities were asked to assist the various Virginia Health Districts by standing up call centers to provide information to and assist those in need in getting their names on the wait list for their COVID vaccinations. The Prince George Call Center serves Prince George, Sussex, and Surry.

The volunteers and some back up county employees can confirm whether someone is already included on the wait list for the vaccine and can assist those without computers or without computer list to register on the Crater Health District's wait list. The staffers of the Call Center cannot schedule vaccinations, but can provide information and reassurance as to whether the caller is on the wait list.

The vaccines are still available only to those designated in catagories 1(a) and 1(b).

Other Prince George Rotarians volunteering at the Prince George Call Center are President Lillian Boyd, Club Administrator Mary Ford, and Executive Secretary Carol Dois Woodward.

Again, that number is 804-722-8799. Share the number generously,

## **Canva and The Rotary Brand Center**

By Janice L. Rowley on Tuesday, February 16, 2021

Hey Kids, I came across this event while scrolling through FaceBook and thought some of our members might be interested in this neat, free web class which is open to all Rotarians. Check it out.



## **Colonial Harley-Davidson Gives Back and Hopes to Partner with Rotary**

By Anna Kroyer on Tuesday, February 9, 2021





Colonial Harley-Davidson has partnered with James House for almost a decade with fundraising and outreach projects. Hogs for the House benefit cook-off competition was hosted for 2 years, (pre-COVID) by this generous team, and many Rotarians volunteered for the event! We are in discussions to host the Rotary Club of Prince George County 25th Anniversary at Colonial H. Stay tuned for details.

This year, the annual February Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, February 27, will benefit James House. Last year, Rotarian Anna Kroyer's, daughter Lily, won 2nd place in the chili cook-off, at age 10, competing against some seasoned chili cooking bikers. More details on this year's event can be found here, <a href="https://fb.me/e/2bXprzpK6">https://fb.me/e/2bXprzpK6</a>, or by calling the store, 804-861-4700. Come out to support James House from 10 AM to 3 PM at 1701 Temple Parkway, Prince George.



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### **The Four Way Test**

By Carol Dois Woodward on Monday, June 8, 2020



