

# Rotary



# Club of Gaithersburg

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## Club Meeting

**Next meeting:**  
Tuesday, August 6th,  
in La Villa, 18701  
North Frederick Ave.  
in Gaithersburg. Also  
on Zoom, Meeting #  
868 9762 2516,  
passcode 5876

## Club Leaders

**Priscilla S. Kinnear**  
President

**Jacqueline  
Grenning-Mulcahy**  
Secretary

**Dan Dellon**  
Treasurer

**Margaret Young**  
Club Service Chair  
Past President  
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**Janet Greiner**  
Club Foundation  
Chair

**Frederick W.  
Cooksey**  
Sergeant-at-Arms

**Kenneth Weiss**  
Assistant Governor

## Events

August 6th, La Villa  
and online

**Transforming  
Agriculture in  
Africa**

**Speaker:** Cedric  
Nwafor

**Subject:** Roots  
Africa and its work  
to help African  
farmers get into  
sustainable  
agriculture and  
agribusiness

August 9th, 5:00  
p.m., Night at the  
Keys (**baseball**) for  
Rotary clubs in the  
Frederick area.  
Sign up on the  
district website.

August 12th, 5:30  
p.m., Zone webinar  
on the Membership  
Action Plan.  
Sign up on the  
district website.

August 20th, La Villa  
and online  
**Classification Talk**  
**Speaker:** Tamika  
Bennett Watt  
We have much to  
learn about this, our  
newest member.

## A Very Happy Happy Hour



The table at the Bench Bar was long but not long enough. It filled quickly. More people arrived, the waiter brought more chairs, and two members retired to a nearby table. Our guests included Adriana Bokma, Bea Weiss, Adelaide's daughter, and a friend of Kumba.

There was nothing fancy--no speeches, no birthday songs, no raffle, just good conversation, especially after some members left their seats and walked around, chit-chatting. About 7:00, ending time, those who remained split into two groups and ordered dinner. While a group of about seven stayed at the main table, five of us ventured to another section of the bar/restaurant, where we were served promptly by a team of waiters. The hamburgers were three or four inches thick--a major challenge for folks with small mouths.

To quote from the internet: "The origin of this term (happy hour) dates back to the early 19th century. During this time, the phrase" ... was [used as U.S. Naval slang](#) to describe the entertainment period in which activities such as boxing and wrestling matches would occur on board." Our events don't include boxing or wrestling but are excellent opportunities to unwind, relax, enjoy ourselves, get to know our fellow members, and acquaint guests with Rotary.

August 27th, on  
Zoom only  
**A career in  
Aviation - zoom  
only**  
**Speaker:** Nobuyo  
Reinch

September 3rd  
**The Arts and the  
Economy**  
**Speaker:** Arianna  
Ross, CEO of Story  
Tapestries

#### **The Rotary 4-way test:**

Of all that we think,  
say, and do: - Is it  
the truth?  
- Is it fair to all  
concerned?  
- Will it bring goodwill  
and better  
friendships?  
- Will it be beneficial  
to all concerned?



## Bringing Joy to Kids with Cancer



Can kids with cancer have a good time? You **bet** they can! They have it every day for a week at **Camp Fantastic**, near Front Royal Virginia. The camp is organized and operated by an organization named Special Love, Inc.

Before the COVID crisis, our club prepared and served dinner on the first night of camp. During the pandemic, our foundation provided small grants to help fund a "Camp in a Box." program. This year, we provided some funding, served the dinner, and took small toys that were very popular, especially the beach balls.

Only six of us made the trip to where the camp is held. Margaret, Janet, and Priscilla traveled west and then south, while Ken, Bea, and Adelaide traveled south and then west. We decorated the tables and the pavilion, waited while kids visited the medical tent to get their medicines, and served a catered dinner to everyone. Then, the kids went to a get-acquainted assembly, and we wound our way home.

The camp director said that sixty young people had been accepted for the program. Sadly, ten had to cancel because they had COVID, and two others were too ill to participate. Then, there were counselors (about 30, perhaps), instructors for special skills such as horse riding and swimming, and medical personnel.

We enjoyed ourselves but, more important, the kids with cancer did also. The essence of Rotary is **service**, and we were pleased to provide it.

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## Corrections from Last Week's Bulletin

A week ago, the Bulletin reported on a talk by our speaker, Patrice Wellesley-Cole. Our member, Denise, was kind enough to point out that the photograph was of a different woman, the speaker's name lacked an "e," that she is currently President of Graduate Women International, and that said organization recently celebrated its 105th anniversary with a **virtual fundraising heritage wall**. Note: Virtual bricks are available to buy. The prices range from US\$105 to \$1005. A member suggested that our club purchase a brick.

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## Pilot to Mechanic to Pilot

We hear that, when a UPS pilot notes a problem with an aircraft, he/she can leave a note for the mechanics, and they sometimes reply. Here are examples:

P: Left inside main tire almost needs replacement.  
M: Almost replaced left inside main tire.  
P: Test flight OK except auto-land very rough.  
M: Auto-land not installed on this aircraft.  
P: Something loose in cockpit.  
M: Something tightened in cockpit.  
P: Dead bugs on windshield  
M: Live bugs on back-order  
P: Evidence of leak on right main landing gear.  
M: Evidence removed.  
P: Friction locks cause throttle levers to stick.  
M: That's what friction locks are for.

More next week, if readers demand it. The Editor

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