



Gaithersburg Newsletter

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October 5th, 2014

Meeting at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Holiday Inn, 2 Montgomery Village Avenue in Gaithersburg

Club Leaders

Diana Swanson, PhD

President

Linda Hanson

President-Elect

Jeremiah Eliason

Secretary

Dan Dellon

Treasurer

Winfree Irvine

Sergeant-at-Arms

Tom Breece

Immediate Past President

Events

10/7: Luncheon in the Holiday Inn. Speaker: Shanthi Srinivasachar, City of Gaithersburg, on the Character Counts program

10/7: Rotary Day at the White House. Information on district website.

10/12: Octoberfest in the Kentlands. Club members have volunteered to help.

10/14: Luncheon. Club Assembly

10/15: District Sandler Sales Training for the fight against polio. Information on district website.

10/21: Luncheon: Speaker to be determined

10/24: World Polio Day. Information on district website.

10/25: District Leadership Seminar. Information on district website.

Welcome to the Rotary Club of Gaithersburg

Rotary is an organization of business and professional leaders united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

Rotary membership provides the opportunity to become connected to your community, work with others in addressing community needs, interact with other professionals in your community; assist with RI's international humanitarian service efforts, establish contacts with an international network of professionals, develop leadership skills. and Involve family members in useful service activities.

The Rotary Club of Gaithersburg is open to to service-oriented persons who can attend at least half of its weekly luncheons.

Club Activities

Happy Hour: Our happy hour last Tuesday, at the Marriott, was a very good one. Several members and two guests enjoyed perfect weather and excellent hors d'ourves, with an attentative wait staff and a cash bar. Whoever gave us the "5th Tuesday" idea deserves high praise.

Flea Market Sale: The sale on Saturday went very well for us. Former member, Ron Deneau, pulled something of an "all-nighter" to save our usual corner space. Head honcho, David, celebrating his birthday, was beset by buyers as soon as he arrived at 6:00 a.m. Eileen arrived with more merchandise and Linda, Shu-fen, and Ken kept up a steady pace exhibiting our treasures and making sales. Several hundred dollars rolled in, to support the good work we do.



Montgomery Coalition for the Homeless: There is a movement underway to follow up on a talk by Derek Longbrake, of the MCCCH, by helping fund and organize a dinner for homeless men. More will be said about this, soon.

Character Counts and Gaithersburg Holiday Giving: These activities, in which we participate every year, are being launched and we look forward to doing our share. We will hear about them at our meeting on Tuesday.

Interact Inauguration: Our Interact Coordinators are preparing to get activities underway, for the new school year, in both GHS and QOHS.

News About Members

There is big news of **Eileen**. She has made a bold job move to an excellent company, VALIC.

Nawal is organizing a First Time Home Buyer Workshop, October 25th in the Hampton Inn on Rt. 355 in Gaithersburg. The price is just \$20, which includes a large book and other benefits. Her contact phone is 301-366-9890. This is highly recommended for first-time buyers.

And **Jack I** (we also have a Jack II) is involved in a Real Taste of Frederick Downtown Property Tour, October 6th. There will be good food and information on commercial space. Contact Jack at 301-682-8747.

Other Rotary News

DG Bill reported, in the district news, the enactment of "Light Up Rotary" during his visit to our club. He was suitably impressed.

So far in 2014, the number of polio cases in Pakistan is higher than the year before. Most new infections are in the north-western tribal region where militants have targeted teams of inoculators. In less than two years, about 60 brave health workers and people accompanying them have been killed in that country, by some who would seemingly like to drive it back to the dark ages.

Finally, a Rotary Anniversary: A big salute to Sonny Marsh, of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rotary Club, who has completed 63 years of perfect attendance. For him it is on to 64 and then even more.