



Gaithersburg Newsletter

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October 26th, 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

10/27: Interact Club member installation at QOHS, 10:55 a.m.

10/28: Luncheon in the Holiday Inn, [Classification Talk](#) by Nawal and a "stripping" ceremony

10/30: [Halloween](#) luncheon with Rockville Rotary Club at VizArts in Rockville. Costumes? Sure, why not? 12:15 p.m. Costs \$25.

11/2: Foundation Recognition Dinner. Details on the District Website.

11/4: Luncheon in the Holiday Inn

11/11: Luncheon and Club Assembly

11/11: [Red Line Rotary Happy Hour](#), Bier Baron, 1523 22nd St. NW, Washington DC, 6:00 p.m.

11/14: Our club's [Charter Night celebration](#), the Holiday Inn, 6:00 p.m.

The 4-Way Test

Of all that we think, say and do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build good will and better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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.

Family Services, Inc. - Amazing

We were very pleased to meet and hear from Debra Liverpool, Director of Philanthropy and Erica Anderson, Volunteer Coordinator for Family Services, Inc. The introduction of Debra summarized her wealth of experience in other organizations. She is a member of the Montgomery Village Rotary Club.

Family Services, Inc. is based in Olde Towne and has about 400 staff members in sites through the county. Its services are grouped into six categories: Mental health, Substance abuse, Community support, Early childhood, School-based, and Victim & Domestic Violence. It serves about **25,000 people** each year. Its program for teen-aged mothers includes schooling and has a 100% graduation rate.

Family Services can refer people for kinds of help it does not offer. It works with other organizations such as Dwelling Place to enlarge the work it can do. There is, for example, a children's library, adult medical daycare and a program for veterans. Most of its funding is from government grants.

We were all highly impressed with Debra's talk and the organization she represents.

The Editor would like to give you photos but, due to mishandling, they seem to have been lost. Next time, he will take precautions.



Our Meeting October 23rd

Guests and visitors often "make the meeting." So it was on Tuesday with our guest speakers (see above) as well as Chris Perlice of the Leonardtown Rotary and Karin Jones of the Dupont Circle Rotary. They were there to talk with Nawal about the [Rotary Youth Exchange](#). Clubs in the U.S. eastern states send about 250 students abroad each year, and they receive and host students from abroad for an academic year. Karin got to know Rotary as an exchange student to Denmark.

Nawal reported that she was starting a new Interact Club, in Lakelands Park Middle School. Jack and Amanda will work with the club at GHS and would like another person to help.

Linda spoke of the Charter Night celebration, at the Holiday Inn on November 14th. [Please register now](#) with her or John, email john@cfalliance.com. Just \$45 PP will get you food, fun and entertainment. Non-members are welcome to attend.

There were Happy Dollars because Linda did not have to do jury duty for a criminal trial, from Nawal for a referral from Ken, from Jack for all our guests, from Ivan and George for the speaker, and from Debra for the opportunity to speak.

Major Events on Oct. 22nd

Our Rotary District held a double-header on Saturday. The events were:

President-elect training, attended by Linda and a District Leadership Seminar, attended by Ken. We might hear a few words about each, on Tuesday.

- **President-elect Training** (PETS), attended by Linda. This is to help prepare our future presidents.
- **District Leadership Seminar**, attended by Ken. This is to encourage past-presidents and others to seek positions at the district level. We might hear about it on Tuesday.