



# Gaithersburg Newsletter

<http://www.Rotary7620.org>

November 8th, 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

**11/11: NO LUNCHEON MEETING.**

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.

11/18: Luncheon. Speaker to be announced.

11/25: Luncheon. Speaker to be announced.

## 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.

## Nov. 11 and 14

**The Gaithersburg Rotary Club will not hold its usual Tuesday luncheon on November 14th.**

**Instead, members are invited to attend a Rotary "Red Line" happy hour in D.C. See information, at left.**

**On November 14th, we will celebrate our club's 48th birthday and our foundation's 1st with a special event in the Holiday Inn at Route 355 and Montgomery Village Avenue. Non-members are welcome. Just \$45 per person will cover conversation, food, fun and special entertainment. For information and/or to reserve your space, email [john@cfalliance.com](mailto:john@cfalliance.com)**

## Our Luncheon November 4th

Last Tuesday, were were blessed with guests **Evan Cooper** and **Fred Chen**, who are starting a yogurt business named "Yaourt Vietnamien." Yum, yum!

**Matt Nocente**, a third grade teacher, gave a very good explanation of why our Dictionary Project is still important.

Our guest speaker was **Laurie Savage**, from the dairy industry. She lives on a dairy farm near Dickerson, MD. A hundred milk cows can't sustain a family these days, so she also works as Secretary and Treasurer for the MD Dairy Association and the MD Holstein Association. Her county, Frederick, leads the state in whole milk production.

Laurie said the number of dairy farms in Maryland had gone down from more than 700 to just 400 in the past few years, as per capita consumption and the price of milk have decreased. Consumption of cheese, has increased up, and more than 15% of our milk supply goes into products that are exported.

She pointed out that milk was a bargain at 21 cents a cup. It isn't worthwhile buying an organic product, she said, because no milk in this area contains antibiotics. all milk has hormones, and the presence of genetically modified organisms in feed is nothing new.

Laurie said that dairy farmers care for the environment in several ways and that every farmer in the state most develop a nutrient management plan.

In sum, according to our speaker, drinking "moo juice" is good for consumers, the farmers, the economy and the environment.



Our meeting moved quickly to **Happy Dollars**, of which there were Many: from Winfree for his trip south and our speaker, from Tom for Matt, from Ken for free and fair elections, from Georges for a party organized by Marriott Hotels, from John and Ed for the speaker, from Ed because he didn't get fined for a ringing phone, and from Linda for all sorts of things. She happily paid four bucks for a trip to Florida, the speaker, distributing dictionaries, and Charter Night.

Georges number came up for the **50-50**, but he drew the wrong ace. Sorry, my friend. Next time...