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THE ROTARY CLUB OF HUNT VALLEY WEEKLY UPDATE

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Meeting at the Greene Turtle Hunt Valley first Wednesdays 12 noon. See www.huntvalleyrotary.com for monthly calendar!!

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COMING EVENTS:

February 3 – meeting – noon – Larry Schmidt, SGS Law



February 11 – Happy Hour – 5:30

February 17 -- meeting -- noon TBA (need a speaker!)

March 3 – meeting – noon – Lt .Col. Paul Kanning, MD Air
National Guard



March 11 – Happy Hour – 5:30

***March 12 – student 4WT submissions due

March 17 – meeting – noon – Robin Stocksdale, Gilcrest

***March 26 – 4WT judging completed



April 24 – Adopt-A-Road Spring Spruce-up

THIS WEEK'S MEETING:

President Keith opened the meeting with the bell and the pledge and after announcements turned the meeting over to Mary Anne.

Announcements:

>>Dues: Our website manager, Wild Apricot, is requiring that the club "upgrade" our PayPal account so that online payments will go through their portal. If that's OK with you, you will need to give them your password. Lynne feels it would be much simpler—and at no cost to the club—if members pay their dues by check, easily done on your bank's online bill-pay, payable to "Rotary Club of Hunt Valley." Rather than address payments to the PO Box it would be more convenient for Lynne if checks were to be sent to her home address, c/o 1208 Dulaney Woods Rd., Cockeysville, MD 21030. If you would prefer to do this, please go onto the website and discontinue your auto-renewal if you are currently set up that way. (Quarterly membership dues of \$100 are due on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. Your dues status can be found on the website.)

>>4-Way Test: Mark your calendars now for Friday, March 12th. This is the due-date for all students participating in this year's virtual Four-Way Test competition... and a call for judges! We need 12 judges for the HS oratorical judging. Please let Matt know that YOU will be one! As all judging will be done online, you can make it fit with your schedule wherever you are. For more information on this year's program, see our updated website at <https://huntvalleyrotary.com/resources-for-schools>. Even better, while you are there be sure to watch Matt's YouTube interview with Captain Rick Rubel on "Character Development and the Four-Way Test." Matt is doing presentations for all clubs on 3 dates this week per 1/30 email from our DG.

>>Storage! We need space to store our stuff! Who has some???? Garage? Basement? Attic?

>>Speakers! Whom do you know??? Speakers can "zoom in" from anywhere. ☺

Mary Anne's Talk: The Monarch Sister Schools Program (MSSP) assists students and teachers in the U.S. in planting habitat gardens for Monarch butterflies and other pollinators and provides students valuable hands-on STEM learning experiences that connect them with Nature. WHY? Pollinators, vital to our food supply, are in decline due to habitat loss. The Monarch Butterfly, our pollinator poster child, has declined by over 90%! MSSP works with Schools in 3 Student Action Areas: Habitat Restoration. Students plant Pollinator Gardens (over 40 gardens planted in DC, MD & VA) to support the Monarch's life cycle and provide nectar to fuel their migration, including the one garden planted in DC with First Lady Michelle Obama. In Mexico students operate nurseries to produce the 'baby trees' needed to reforest damaged areas of forest where Monarchs spend the winter before returning to the U.S. Hands-on STEM Learning. In the U.S. and Mexico, a core feature is hands-on learning activities, aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards and designed to enrich STEM programs with student projects and workshops. Cultural Exchange. MSSP facilitates a dynamic cultural exchange between American and Mexican students via Zoom, opening new horizons for them and a veritable "flight of imagination" across borders and cultures. The program fits right into RI's new area of focus on the Environment. See <http://www.monarchsisterschools.org>. Teachers love it—science and Spanish teachers in particular. Wish I had more sun to plant a garden. ☺

THIS WEEK'S VISITORS:

Chris Stein, guest of Mary Anne Risheberger, joined members Keith, Bill, Steve, Nancy, Lynne, and Jane on Zoom for a great talk by Mary Anne on the Monarch Sister Schools Program



Mary Anne Risheberger is a fellow Rotarian from the Baltimore Sunset Club and is the Program Director of the Monarch Sister Schools Program



OF SPECIAL NOTE! IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS:



Happy Hours now on 2nd Thursdays.... By ZOOM for now –5:30
Board meetings 2nd Mondays of the month – next one Feb. 8 - by ZOOM - 5:30

Rotary's main objective is service — in the community, in the workplace, and around the globe. The 1.2 million Rotarians who make up more than 34,000 Rotary clubs in nearly every country in the world share a dedication to the ideal of Service Above Self.

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES:

Ginger 2/25/03, Bill and Linda 2/11/09, Jesse (rejoined)
2/6/16, Nick 2/6/19

BIRTHDAYS:

Jesse 2/16, Nick 2/23

Do you have a suggestion for a speaker, off-site meeting, or service project? Contact Jane for referral to the correct committee chair.

The Four Way Test of the Things 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?