

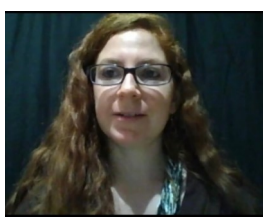


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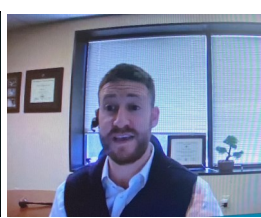


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Business Meeting

Chris Reef



3/5/2021 -Our speaker today was our own member Chris Reef. We periodically have our members do "bio" talks to update the club on their, careers, lives and anything else but Chris gave us an interesting verbal travelogue.

Chris talked about the history of his family from when they came to the US and where they moved to in the states. He also gave us some insights into his travels, both with his family but also with his wife, mainly driving around the US. Chris partly attributes his love of cars to those early family car trips.

We also have 2 guests, Nancy Gartenberg and Stephen Francis, from West Windsor Good Works 5000 families initiative. They are collecting money that will go to buy food in local WW restaurants and distributed to food insecure families in the area, creating a benefit for everyone.

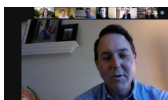
Denise Daniels



3/12/2021 –Our speaker at lunch last Friday was Denise Daniels. She is a long-time friend of our club and she spoke about her experiences during the pandemic as a Councilwomen in East Windsor. It certainly has been a challenging year for everyone and each town faced unique problems

to solve for their residents.

Denise also spoke about her role with the United Way of Greater Mercer County (UWGMC). Their Strike Out Hunger initiative to feed needy families, which this club supports annually, and their newest program, the 365 Business Circle Initiative. This brings together local small businesses to increase connections, as well as help support the good work of UWGMC.



We were again also visited by Andrew Hersh with the 5000 Families Initiative and Hugh Keenan, son of member Ed Keenan, who spoke about his Eagle Scout project.



Mollie Sperduto



3/19/2021 –. We welcomed Mollie Sperduto as our speaker on Friday. Mollie is the owner of Ginger Ninja Productions, a company that produces stand-up comedy shows, both live and virtual. She is also a stand-up comedian herself and she puts together shows for any type of audience.

She talked about her path to her present career as well as some of her experiences as she progressed in her profession. Mollie has mainly provided live shows in the past but she was forced to make the switch to include virtual events. This change presented some unique challenges but includes the same entertainment options and a little bit of much-needed "normalcy" during these unusual times. Thank you for speaking to our club.

Business Meeting



Scholarship

3/26/2021— As this was the last Friday of the month following the club's board meeting, we held our monthly business meeting. Discussed during the meeting was our contribution to the 5000 Families initiative, the upcoming United Way Strike Out Hunger event in June to support area food insecure and our club's scholarship endeavor. Greg Caruso is heading the committee for choosing the HS Scholarship winners, taking over from long-time scholarship chair, Peter Raffae.

Also discussed was holding an outdoor meeting at a member's home in May and the June installation. Hope to see everyone there.



Chapter Fundraising Projects:



The tickets for the District Wide Rotary raffle are due back by May 10th. Please contact Jon Castaneda with any questions and if you still need to buy a ticket for yourself. The more we sell, the more we make for the club!
jcast@allstate.com

Rotary District and International Spotlight:

Save the date for the Rotary Virtual Convention, 12 -16 June. The Rotary Virtual Convention will be open to all Rotary members and participants. Event registration will open in mid-April. Find out more:
<https://on.rotary.org/2PmJPQy>



Schedule of Events

Our virtual lunch meetings will continue in April Fridays 12pm
Zoom login information will be sent each week.

Friday, April 2 12:00-1:00PM

Speaker: Tricia Baker
20 Paws

Friday, April 9 12:00-1:00PM

Speaker: William "Larry" Kidder
Jacob Francis: A Free Black Soldier in the American Revolution

Tuesday, April 13—4:30 - 6:30PM

Social

Location: Metro North Restaurant

Friday, April 16 12:00-1:00PM

Speaker: Carol Feldman
Impact of Pandemic on mental health

Friday, April 23 12:00-1:00PM

Speaker: Shelby Rhodes
Women in Rotary Forum

Wednesday, April 28— 12:00-1:00PM

Board Meeting

Friday, April 30, 12:00—1:00PM

Business Meeting



ROTARY DISTRICT 7475 CONFERENCE - NOW VIRTUAL

May 11-14, 2021, 7-8:30pm each day

Registration details coming soon.

SAVE THE DATE:

June 8, 2021

Strike out Hunger with United Way of Greater Mercer County
<https://www.uwgmc.org/soh>. Contact Sal for more info.



Member News:

Congratulations to the Kilduff family on their son turning 1.

Sal's monthly webinar series to Business Transformation Seminar Series 2021 continues on April 12th at 4pm. Topic is "Vital Signs for Your Business." To register visit: <https://tinyurl.com/569uf4b3>



"If we always helped one another, no one would need luck."

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