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Rotary Club of Martinsburg

GRAPEVINE

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Doug Arndt reading to second graders at Rosemont as part of the Read Berkeley Program.

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Dave Rogers, Martinsburg High School
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 Luke Samples, Spring Mills School



Dave Rogers was the first of 4 High School Basketball coaches to speak. He has been the head coach of Martinsburg High School since 1975. He retired from the school as the principal. He spoke about his time coaching and introduced the players he brought from his team. Mr. Rogers said the most impactful words he teaches his players are the 5 words, “You did a great job!”. He has his players say these words before and after the games and practices.



Kelly Church, Hedgesville High School Basketball Coach, grew up in Richmond, VA. Mr. Church shared about his childhood and stated that his coaches helped raise him in the absence of his Father. Therefore, coaching is a huge part of his life. Mr. Church has been a Coach at HHS for 24 years. After introducing his players, he stated that the most important things he teaches are discipline, gratitude, unity, humility, and passion.



Derek Basil has been coaching basketball at Musselman High School for 20 years. Derek introduced the players who were there as his guests. He continued by talking about his background. Mr. Basil is from Clarksburg, WV and his dad was a basketball coach. He says the way their program is approached is simple, “the standard is the standard”.



Luke Samples, the youngest of the 4 coaches, was the last to present. This is his 3rd year coaching at Spring Mills High School. He was an assistant coach at Hedgesville previously. Mr. Samples said, “these guys are legends” as he honored the experience and talent of the other 3 coaches who sat at his table. He went on to discuss how “young” his school and team were in comparison to other Varsity High School teams. He said last year they only played 13 games due to COVID. Mr. Samples strategy is to “schedule tough to get better”.

Club Business/Announcements:

- The Nominations Committee has spoken to some very strong candidates for our Rotary officers for next year. In accordance with our bylaws, I am announcing that on Dec 9th we will hold elections and will either present multiple candidates for election to the open offices or will present a slate of candidates to be voted on. The bylaws for electing our officers are very detailed, and we can make this as simple or complicated as we want. Please think of ways you are willing to serve, and please let Pete or I know if you are willing to run for one of our vacant offices or Board positions.
- Do remember that we have moved our lunch meeting on Thanksgiving week to Wednesday, November 24th, and Sandie at the Holiday Inn has approved that. We have told the Holiday Inn that we are having a Christmas dinner on December 16th, and will hold our regular lunch meetings on Thursday, December 23rd and Thursday, December 30th.
- Bring Gifts for Salvation Army Christmas Angels NLT the Dec 2nd meeting. Make sure they are unwrapped.
- Student guests will resume in January.

Guests: Elizabeth Webster, guest of Pam Wagoner; Carter Walburn, guest of Jim Seibert; Damon Wright, guest of Jennifer Smith; and Steve Cohen, guest of Tracy Regalia.

Upcoming Programs:

- Nov 24 – Salvation Army, Joshua Webb - This is Wednesday***
- Dec 2 – Danny Staggers, Elder Law Attorney
- Dec 7 – Board Meeting
- Dec 9 – Mark Baldwin, City Planner

November Wedding Anniversaries:

Wedding Anniversaries	Anniversary	Years
Fausey, Lisa & Brian	7-Nov	23
Roberts, Scott & Shannon	16-Nov	8

November Birthdays:

Member Birthdays	Birthday
Seibert, James M.	3-Nov
Curtis, E. Ross	10-Nov
Manley, Gary E.	20-Nov
Sink, Amanda	24-Nov
Sloan, Sara	24-Nov

November Member Anniversaries:

Member Anniversaries	Years
Carpenter, Jim	6
Curtis, Pamela	11
McCune, Wm. Richard Jr	47
Ouellet, Jim	3
Russell, Dean	33
Shull, Carol	1
Sloan, Sara	1
Smith, Wesley	1

Club Presentations:



Shared to Facebook by Berkeley County Schools.

“An inclusive environment is important not only to learn in, but also to play and have fun!

Thanks to a generous \$8,000 donation from the Rotary Club of Martinsburg, the playground at Berkeley Heights Elementary will soon add accessible equipment, including swings with wheelchair platforms.

Expected completion is just in time for Spring! We appreciate our local Rotary Club for supporting all students across Berkeley County Schools!”

A
Look
Back
in
Time

1989

Grapevine

13 Guests

D. Arndt
approved
member!!

Grapevine

Editorial

Board???

Printing

Staff???

Interesting.

Student
Guests
from

Musselman

THIS IS SO
COOL!

Cog Wheels

By BOB PHILLIPS

Col. Jack D. Koch is retiring from the U.S. Air Force this week. A past president of our club, Jack was active in many things within this community, and received high marks for the manner in which he commanded the 167th Tactical Air Group. We congratulate him in both his retirement and years of service in the Air Force and wish him well for the future.

Paul E. Tederick held the winning 50-50 ticket last week and received \$36.

Prospective members of a Rotary Club in Charles Town have changed their meeting time from Wednesday noon to Tuesday noon at the Charles Washington Inn.

Last week club president, David B. Jones took our two current Rotary Exchange Students with him to the meeting, and the girls received an enthusiastic response from the ten prospective Rotarians who were present.

"Learning in America" is the topic for a series of five special programs about education which will be aired on successive Monday nights over PBS Channel 26, Boon A. (Buzz) Poland announced last week. This announcement fitted right in with the talk we heard by Dr. John R. Pisapia, the acting State Superintendent of Schools.

Last week we approved memberships for four prospective members of our club. They are Jeffrey S. Arndt, Douglas D. Arndt, Owen Sullivan and John E. Williams.

Try to get acquainted with these new members and get them involved in Rotary activities so they will know that this is a service club, not a luncheon club.

This week we vote on prospective member Dr. Robert Woolridge, proposed by William D. Sites. Woolridge was formerly with the National Cancer Institute.

Could Martinsburg support a second Rotary Club? There are those who believe it could, particularly if the second club met in the morning rather than at noon as our club does. Would our club lose some members to such a club? Probably, but not enough to hurt as our club has grown almost too big, in some respects. It may well be that the time has come to think of another Rotary Club in Berkeley County so we may better serve our community, our state, our nation, and also help with international projects.

COMING EVENTS

April 27-30 District Conference at State College, Pa.

April 29 March of Dimes Walkathon.

May 20 World Affairs Seminar, Shepherd College.

May 13 Multi-Phase Blood Analysis.

Board of Directors

Regular monthly board meeting will occur April 4. This is a change to the first Tuesday from second Tuesday of each month at noon at Sheraton.

Students.....

Student guests with us last week were Ivan S. Thomas and Mark Butts, both from Musselman High School.



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MARCH 30, 1989

Colonel Tom Stokes to Address Local Club on Lebanon Thursday

Lebanon does not get the news coverage now that it did a few years ago when Col. Thomas M. Stokes was there as commander of the U.S. Marines who were part of the multinational peacekeeping force, but Col. Stokes remembers well his time in that strife-torn country.

This week he is to talk to us about the U.S. Force in Lebanon in 1982 and 1983.

Now retired, Col. Stokes entered the Marine Corps as a second lieutenant in 1954 after graduating from the University of North Carolina. He served in Japan and Vietnam, was an instructor at the Naval Academy Prep School, and was

assigned to the U.S. Strikes Force Command in 1964 where he participated in airborne operations against the rebel uprising in Stanleyville and Paulis in the Congo.

Brought back to the continental United States, Col. Stokes was stationed at Parris Islands, S.C. then was sent at the Senior Marine Advisor to the Royal Thai Marine Corps. It was after the duty he went to Lebanon.

Col. Stokes comments about Lebanon, what he saw there, and perhaps his views on what may happen in that country should be most interesting.

State School Superintendent Outline Educational Gains

Dr. John Pisapia, Acting State Superintendent of Schools, spoke to Rotary last week amid a crowded schedule of appearances and inspections of schools.

West Virginia's schools, while there are problems, are headed in the right direction for desired improvements. Citing an improvement in the dropout rate, Pisapia commented "we have the fastest decrease in the dropout rate in the country." Another improvement cited was an increase in the experience and education in advanced degrees in among our teachers.

Guests.....

We had thirteen guests last week, so we will consider that a lucky number rather than an unlucky number.

Two members of the Berkeley County Board of Education were with us as guests of the club. They were Bill Butler, a dairy farmer and orchardist, and Jess W. Mauck Jr., an electrician at Corning Glass Works.

Sam Meek had four guests.

Carolyn Spangler, Public Relations Director for the State Department of Education.

Dwight Dials, superintendent of Morgan County Schools.

Mary Jo Brown, Coordinator of Media Service for the Berkeley County Schools.

Susan Loveland, Public Information Officer for Berkeley County Schools.

Other guests were:

Alan Canonico, Assistant Superintendent of Schools — Personnel, for Berkeley County, a guest of Charles Fritsch.

Tom Lilly, Rotarian and electrical engineer from Huntington, a guest of Steve Catlett.

Demi Lewin, a teacher, guest of her husband, Lucien.

Betty Russell, county coordinator of PASS program, a guest of her husband, Dr. Dean Russell.

Jan Smith, a guest of Les Smith.

Joanne Lyons, whose occupation was listed as domestic engineer, a guest of David Lyons.

Marian Lack, owner/Deerwood Development, a guest of George Potter.

The speaker's comments were well documented with professionals slides which made his presentation quite effective. His talk addressed "Three R's" of West Virginia's education, namely Reeth, reforms and resolutions. The depressing factor in his comments was the desire of an increasing number of students to study in the state and then locate outside West Virginia.

Commenting on relative standing from testing among students in nearby states, the speaker stated that West Virginians did quite well in math and science while they were nearer the bottom in history, geography and languages.

Dr. Pisapia was accompanied by Carolyn Spangler of his office, formerly with the local Board of Education, and was introduced by PDG Blaine Groves who invited him to be with us for his meeting. It appears that this invitation may have provided an opportunity for several in our school system to show off our program as well as get a hearing for some of its problems.

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