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President Skip presided. In lieu of our regular meeting, members gathered at W&L's Lenfest Center for a tour of the facility. Attendance: only 14 members.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. President Skip reminded us that our premier project of the year, the Rockbridge Community Festival (RCF), is scheduled for August 27th and will be upon us before we know it. If you haven't volunteered yet, please do so by contacting Kent McMichael at 460-5647 (cell) or sgmekm@yahoo.com.
- 2. Jim Slack reminded us to submit our nominations for the People's Choice Awards by the Friday. Winners will be announced at the RCF in August.
- 3. The Lenfest Center has a very fine collection of Western art on display in the lobby gallery. If you have not seen it, you may want to visit just to peruse this fine collection.

Program:

In lieu of our regular dinner meeting, members of our club gathered in the lobby of the Lenfest Center for the Arts at W&LU at 6:00 pm. Our reason was to join a tour of the facility led by Rob Mish, Executive Director of the Center, assisted by Owen Collins, Associate Professor of Theater. We concentrated on theater facilities since both tour directors are involved in theater programs.

"The Lenfest Center for the Arts, home of the Department of Theater and Dance, Music and Art and is a multi-use facility designed and equipped to accommodate a broad spectrum of the performing arts, including theater, musical theater, opera and operetta, choral and band music, dance and performance art in one energizing complex.

"Since opening in 1991, the Lenfest Center has helped the University provide the fine arts component of an exceptional liberal arts education. Housing over 125 performances each year and hosting over 30,000 patrons, the center has become the region's performing arts center. Countless rehearsals and an ongoing schedule of classes make the Lenfest Center a lively and dynamic educational facility."

The Center has three fine theaters: Keller Theater, Concert Hall, and Johnson Theater.

- The Keller Theatre is a 415 seat proscenium theatre. Equipped with state-of-the-art sound and lighting, full theater rigging, a superb sound system, and elevator type orchestra lift, the Keller boasts an impressive stage house capable of handling most performances.
- Wilson Hall contains a 300 seat, state-of-the-art Concert Hall which plays host not only to the University's many student, faculty, and ensemble groups, but also world renowned concert artists.
- The Johnson Theatre (aka as "The Black Box") is a 48 ft. x 58 ft. flexible theater. The space may be arranged in any configuration desired by the director and designer including proscenium, arena and thrust. The theater is fully equipped with state-of-the-art lighting and sound. Used primarily for "experimental theater."

Other facilities visited:

- The Costume Shop is located in the basement of the Lenfest Center directly across the hall from the
 dressing rooms. It is fully equipped for alterations and full construction in sewing and costume crafts.
 The Department of Theater buys, rents, builds (not sews) and utilizes stock items from their collection
 to satisfy the needs of productions.
- The theaters are serviced by two large Choral Dressing Rooms each capable of holding 15 people. The dressing rooms are equipped with bathrooms and showers.
- Scenery and properties for all the department of theater shows are built and painted in the Scene Shop. The shop is well equipped with all manner of tools allowing for the safe and efficient construction of scenery.

• Production and Lighting Design Lab, where computers are employed to study the practice of stage lighting, focusing on styles of production, historical methods and artistic theory.

A very interesting and informative "back-stage" tour. Our thanks to Rob and Owen.

To Use the Kroger Community Rewards Program:

Because some might have missed it, the procedure for registering our club for the Kroger Community Rewards Program is repeated from last week's Bulletin. Once you complete this procedure, anything you purchase with your Kroger card will be credited to our club and we will receive a contribution from the Kroger Company based on our member's total purchases. This is an effortless way for us to raise money to support our projects so please register your Kroger Plus Card right away.

Organization Name: Lexington Rotary Club Foundation NPO number 82191

Members should register online at krogercommunityrewards.com. (Be sure to have your Kroger Plus Card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up. If you do not yet have a Kroger Plus Card, these cards are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.)

- Click on Sign In/Register
- Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the 'New Customer?' box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.
- REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after member(s) register their card(s).
- Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 800-576-4377, select option 4 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
- Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus Card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Thank you for participating in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. The Lexington Rotary Club Foundation. Contact Julia Van de Water at vandewaterj@comcast.net OR 540-460-0093.

Happy Bucks and Raffle:

None tonight since we were off site. But the BIG pot remains at \$455.

Future Programs & Activities:

Jul 20: Virtual Tour of Beechenbrook Chapel at LGCC by Skip Ravenhorst

Jul 27: Travelog on European Trip by Mary Sayre, RoD Mary Sayre Aug 03: RCF Planning with Jaycees, LGCC; RoD Kent McMichael

Aug 09: Joint Meeting with Kerrs Creek Ruritan Club; STARTS AT 7:00 PM

Aug 10: NO MEETING; See entry above.

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Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista

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July 20, 2016 Volume LXXI, Number 02

President Skip presided. Guests: Dot Fogo, Partner of Wally. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 28 members and 1 guest for a total of 29. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. President Skip welcomed back Jacki Berkshire and Stewart Fleming from leaves of absence.
- 2. President Skip reminded us again that our premier project of the year, the Rockbridge Community Festival (RCF), is scheduled for August 27th and will be upon us before we know it. If you haven't volunteered yet, please do so by contacting Kent McMichael at 460-5647 (cell) or sgmekm@yahoo.com.
- 3. We meet jointly with the Kerrs Creek Ruritan Club at New Monmouth Presbyterian Church on TUESDAY, AUGUST 9th for dinner and a program. Note that the meeting does not begin until 7:00 pm. Their caterer requires an accurate count for the meal. A sign-up sheet will be circulated at our meeting next week; if you do not plan to be present next week, please contact President Skip and let him know your intentions regarding the August 9th meeting.
- 4. The new Lexington Lunch Rotary Club meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from 12:05 until 12:50 in the basement Community Room of BB&T bank on East Nelson Street. All who attend are expected to bring her/his own lunch and beverage.
- 5. President Skip reminded us not to forget to place our pocket change (or larger) in the blue buckets on each table to support research into alzheimers disease.

Minute for Rotary:

Meet the new RI President, John Germ and wife Judy, in the July, 2016 issue of *the Rotarian* magazine. Called the "Champion of Chattanooga," his theme for the year is "Rotary Serving Humanity."

PDGs Rae Carpenter and Robert Sayre attended the Council of Governors last weekend and brought back a photo of new District Governor Chris Runion and his Partner Jennifer which was circulated among the members present.

Program:

President Skip briefly reviewed the history of Beechenbrook Chapel and showed slides (accompanied by appropriate music) of the various stages of its partial demolition and reconstruction.

"Beechenbrook Chapel, located at 711 Stono Lane in Lexington, Virginia, was built in 1873 by the Lexington Presbyterian Church, as a mission chapel for the laborers at Jordan's Point. This was a time before the advent of electrical power or the arrival of railroad service to Lexington, and Jordan's Point was a beehive of activity. Mills and forges located there took advantage of water power from the North (now Maury) River, and the Point was the northwestern terminus of the canal system, which provided efficient transportation for passengers and material between Lexington and Richmond.

"The man assigned by the church with the responsibility for the design and construction of the mission chapel was none other than Col. John T. L. Preston, a prominent local attorney, the founder of Virginia Military Institute, and a Trustee of the church. Preston designed the building in the Carpenter Gothic style, which was a popular motif for ecclesiastical architecture at the time (the Lexington Presbyterian manse was also constructed in that style). In recognition of Preston's promised financial backing of the chapel, it was named in honor of the renowned and successful book-length poem "Beechenbrook; A Rhyme of the War", written during the Civil War by Preston's wife Margaret Junkin Preston.

"Within twenty years of the chapel's completion, the railroad supplanted the canal system (with its tracks laid on the former canal tow path), and not long after that alternate sources of energy (such as

electricity) eliminated the need for water power. With those considerations, punctuated by periodic flooding of the North River, the level of activity at Jordan's Point faded. However, Beechenbrook Chapel continued to be used as an ecumenical Sunday School shared by the churches of Lexington until the 1940's.

"Lexington Presbyterian Church sold the chapel in 1956. Over time, much of the building had deteriorated (including its signature gothic windows and the rear wall of the building), and in 1972 it was purchased and drastically remodeled by recent Washington & Lee University graduates, who subdivided the space and converted it into apartments. It continued to be used as student housing (and to deteriorate) for 40 years, when Beechenbrook LLC purchased the property with the intention of restoring its historical integrity and finding a compatible use for the building. Since the acquisition of the chapel in September 2012, the interior (including all the code-violating construction installed in 1972) has been removed, leaving just the shell of the original structure. After careful scrutiny of the remaining structure, a plan was developed for rehabilitating the building in a form that was sensitive to its storied past. In addition to respecting the history of the property, Beechenbrook LLC committed to using state-of-the-art materials and techniques to achieve high levels of sustainability, ensuring that the building will last for many future generations."

The chapel and the Miller's House are the only intact original structures remaining within the Jordan's Point area. The accessibility challenges at the site affect not only the construction costs, but also the range of ultimate uses for the property. Because of this, and because the present zoning of the property is Residential, the most reasonable use is as a single family residence, ideally as a dwelling for a visiting professor at VMI or WLU. The design for the rehabilitation reflects this thinking, leaving the interior largely open with minimal kitchen, bedroom, and bathroom provisions.

Thanks to Skip (President of Beechenbrook LLC) for a most interesting presentation.

Board of Director's Meeting:

Our Board held their regular monthly meeting tonight immediately following our regular meeting. Members voted, unanimously and with regret, to formally accept resignations from Paul Barron and Josie McElroy.

Happy Bucks:

- Betty McMichael was happy to share a fond memory of Bea Mauer, former owner of Base-X, Inc. (now HDT), who passed away recently.
- John Tucker was happy that Partner Anne had her "Pacemaker" successfully recharged.
- Joe Milo was happy to see Jacki and Stewart back.

Pot:

Julia Van de Water won the raffle and threw a 9 with the dice to claim the BIG pot of \$470. We start a new pot next week!

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President Skip presided. Guests: None. Visiting Rotarians: Robert Doyon, immediate Past-President of the Northfield Rotary Club in Vermont, was the guest of President Skip. Attendance: 18 members and 1 Visiting Rotarian for a total of 19. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. President Skip reminded us again that our premier project of the year, the Rockbridge Community Festival (RCF), is scheduled for August 27th and will be upon us before we know it. We have a joint meeting with the Jaycees at LGCC next Wednesday. August 3rd, to finalize plans for the event. If you have questions, contact Kent McMichael at 460-5647 (cell) or sgmekm@yahoo.com.
- 2. We meet jointly with the Kerrs Creek Ruritan Club at New Monmouth Presbyterian Church on TUESDAY, AUGUST 9th for dinner and a program. Note that the meeting does not begin until 7:00 pm. They have a business meeting following dinner and before the program, so plan on the meeting lasting until 8:30 or so. Their caterer requires an accurate count for the meal. A sign-up sheet will be circulated at our meeting next week; if you do not plan to be present next week, please contact President Skip and let him know your intentions regarding the August 9th meeting.
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- 4. Treasurer John presented a check for \$470 to Julia Van de Water for winning the BIG POT at last weeks meeting by rolling a 9 with the dice. (The date was 7/20 so you add the two to get 27; since you can't roll a 27 with 2 dice, you add the 2 and 7 to get 9, which was her target number.)
- 5. Mark your calendar now to attend the joint meeting of Area 6 Clubs with DG Chris Runion and Partner Jennifer. It will take place at the Double Decker Pavilion at Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista; Social Time: 5:45-6:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30, Meeting follows dinner.

Minute for Rotary:

Dick Minnix passed out hard copies of a new roster of members. He will also send copies (pdf) by e-mail. Note that this information is not to be used for commercial purposes.

Program:

Our own Mary Sayre presented an illustrated travel log of her recent trip to Europe. Mary's ethnic background is Polish – the purpose of her trip was to visit friends, trace members of her ancestral family, and learn where they resided. Her itinerary included England, Poland, and Germany.

During her trip to England she traveled through 13 counties. Among them were the following villages/cities: Affpuddle (yes, that spelling is correct); Tolpuddle (yep); Bath, Burgh Island; and Dittisham.

From England they journeyed to Poland and visited: Warsaw, the capital and largest cityl; Syrenka Kurnos; Krakow, including Wawel Castle; Brzesko & Borzecin; Zamosc; Hrubieszowie; Kozlowka; and Lublin. Chopin, Poland's greatest composer, is memoralized in a monument in Lazienki Park in Warsaw. Old Warsaw, including the district of Praga, is across the river from modern Warsaw. Krakow is famous for the liquidation of 15-18,000 Jews by the Nazis in 1943; Auschwitz is also nearby.

Mary's trip concluded with a trip to Germany to visit with dear friends. She also traveled to Munich and Friesing while there.

She had numerous other interesting stories about family and friends and famous locations, especially in Poland, too numerous to include here. One highlight was locating a record of the baptism of her great-grandfather.

Thanks, Mary, for a very interesting and entertaining program. The photos were great.

Happy Bucks:

- Skip Ravenhorst was happy his brother-in-law was visiting from Vermont; and that yesterday was his
 mother's 95th birthday; and that he got a good report on his annual medical check-up yesterday.
- Mary Sayre was happy to welcome Jacki back; but was surprised to be mistaken for Mary Harvey by Ed Claiborn while downtown earlier in the week.
- Robert Doyon was happy that Grandma turned 95 yesterday; and glad to be here attending our meeting without any responsibilities.

Pot:

Allan Somerville Brown won the raffle but not the POT which totals only \$12.50 after last week's win.

Beer Theories:

- Beer is proof that God loves us and wants us to be happy. (Benjamin Franklin)
- Without question, the greatest invention in the history of mankind is beer. Oh, I grant you that the
 wheel was also a fine invention, but the wheel does not go nearly as well with pizza. (Dave Barry)
- I feel sorry for people who don't drink. When they wake up in the morning, that's as good as they're going to feel all day. (Lydon B. Johnson)
- 24 hours in a day, 24 beers in a case. Coincidence? I think not. (H.L. Mencken)

Sign Spotted in a Window:

Teenagers

Tired of being harassed by your stupid parents? **ACT NOW!**

Move out...
Get a job...
Pay your own bills.
Do it while you still know everything.

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August 03, 2016 Volume LXXI, Number 04

President Skip presided. Guests: Kelly Lowe from Austin, TX, daughter of Papa Bill; and John Smith, Lexington's Public Works Department. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 26 members, 7 Jaycees, and 2 guests for a total of 35. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Announcements and Business:

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- 3. For those not familiar with New Monmouth Church, here is how you get there: Go 5.5 miles West of Main Street in Lexington to 2348 Route 60 West. Watch for its sign on the right set back about 30 feet from the road. The church cemetery will be located on your near right just before the driveway and sign. The church sits on a hill partially hidden by trees. Parking is not usually a problem, however, it is advisable to car pool. The Fellowship Hall where we meet is air conditioned. The food is good and the meeting is well worth it!
- 4. Mark your calendar now to attend the joint meeting of Area 6 Clubs with DG Chris Runion and Partner Jennifer on August 17th. It will take place at the Double Decker Pavilion in Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista; Social Time: 5:45-6:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30, Meeting follows dinner.
- 5. A Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Part 1 course will be held in Roanoke on Saturday, August 13, beginning at 8:30 am. Check the district calendar for details.
- 6. Our regular monthly Board meeting was held immediately following our regular meeting.

Program:

The Rockbridge Community Festival (RCF) is an annual downtown arts and crafts festival sponsored by the Lexington-Rockbridge Jaycees (J) and the Lexington Rotary Club (R). All funds benefit Rockbridge area charities. It is the only festival of its kind in the Rockbridge area. There is no admission fee for attendees of the Festival.

The 41st Annual RCF will be held on Saturday, August 27th, from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. Chair Jesse Lyons (J) reviewed preparations for this traditional joint venture. He reminded us that the RCF has a web site at www.rockbridgecommunityfestival.org and also has Twitter and Facebook pages.

Chairs of the various organizing committees are listed below:

Chair - Jesse Lyons (J)

Vice-Chair -- Kent McMichael (R)

Treasurer -- Aaron Masey (J). We make our money on space rental and sponsorships BEFORE the event. Everything looking good.

Space Assignments -- Lisa Mackey (J), Chair, and Mary Sayre (R), Vice-Chair.

Operations – Tullis Beasley (J)

Sponsors – Kara Braddick (J). DuPont Community Credit Union made a sizable contribution.

Marketing – Denny Garvis (R).

Entertainment – Joe Pagnam (R). Stage will be in usual place next to old County Courthouse. Here is the line-up that has been arranged:

09:00-10:00 Mac Baker and Wade Branner

10:00-11:00 Blue Ridge Mountain Cloggers

11:00-12:00 Sara Jane McDonald

12:00 - 1:00 Spacecase

1:00 - 3:00 Marla Palma Band (a "red hot" local band)

RCF physical layout will be different this year. At the behest of the Emergency Services folks. vendor's booths will face toward the center of the street and be flush against the curbs in order to permit a path for emergency vehicles down the center of the street. Open access to all fire hydrants is also required.

Traffic flow will also be different – both Nelson and Washington Streets will be closed. There will still be plenty of vendor space available because all food vendors will be placed in one of two food plazas. One, for 5 vendors, will be on Nelson Street backed up to the curb beside Cornerstone Bank. The second, for 5 more vendors, will be on Washington Street backed up to the curb beside Pumpkin Seeds shop (across from Haywoods bar/restaurant).

This year promises to be another outstanding event – as of this date, only two fewer vendors are signed up compared to last year. Space assignment folks will begin chalking curbs at 5:30 pm on Friday. Vendors will be allowed into the area at 7:00 am on Saturday morning.

All available members should show up for clean-up beginning at 3:00 pm. You'll be amazed at the appearance of the downtown area two hours after close of the RCF. Remember: "Many hands make light work."

The Lexington Fire and Rescue, Police, and Public Works Departments are an integral part of this project – we couldn't function without them, especially John Smith and his Public Works Crew. Don't forget to thank any of them you encounter.

President Skip thanked the Jaycees for their long-time partnership with us in this event. This promises to be one of our largest and most outstanding RCFs. Thanks to Jesse and his Planning Committee for an outstanding job.

Happy Bucks:

- Scott Risser was happy to acknowledge the great job done by the planning committee which will
 undoubtedly lead to a very successful RCF; he also recognized George and MeLou Piegari for the
 outstanding video they made in support of the VMI Campaign to raise endowment funds.
- Bill Lowe was happy to be back with a new hip (last year it was a new knee); his wife vowed he would not be in the hospital again next year on her birthday.
- Linda Krantz told one of her famous jokes:
 - TWO IRISH WOMEN IN A BAR: Two women were sitting next to each other at a bar. After a while, one looks at the other and says, 'I can't help but think, from listening to you, that you're from Ireland.' The other woman responds proudly, 'Yes, I sure am!' The first one says, 'So am I! And where about in Ireland are ya from?' The other woman answers, 'I'm from Dublin , I am.' The first one responds, 'So, am I!! And what street did you live on in Dublin ?' The other woman says, 'A lovely little area. It was in the west end. I lived on Warbury Street in the old central part of town.' The first one says, 'Faith, and it's a small world. So did I! So did I! And what school did ya go to?' The other woman answers, 'Well now, I went to Holy Heart of Mary, of course..' The first one gets really excited and says, 'And so did I! Tell me, what year did you graduate?' The other woman answers, 'Well, now, let's see. I graduated in 1964.' The first woman exclaims, 'The Good Lord must be smiling down upon us! I can hardly believe our good luck at winding up in the same pub tonight! Can you believe it? I graduated from Holy Heart of Mary in 1964 me self!'

About this time, Michael walks into the bar, sits down, and orders a beer. Brian, the bartender, walks over to Michael shaking his head and mutters, 'It's going to be a long night tonight.' Michael asks, 'Why do you say that, Brian?' Brian answers, 'The Murphy twins are drunk again.'

Birthdays and Anniversaries in August:

Happy Birthday to: Wally Fogo on the 16th; Latha Dawson on the 17th; and Melou Piegari on the 27th. Happy Anniversary to: June and Ed Jeffries on the 1st; Mary and Scott Sayre on the 9th; Susan and Chuck Barger and Nancy and Bill Lowe on the 12th; Rita and Skip Ravenhorst on the 20th; Marian and Dick Minnix on the 27th; and Lynn and Joe Williams on the 28th.

Pot:

No raffle tonight; pot remains at \$12.50.

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Our Annual Joint Meeting with the Kerrs Creek Ruritan Club was held at New Monmouth Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening beginning at 7:00 pm. Presiding were Skip Ravenhorst, President of the Lexington Rotary Club, and Julie Crowder, President of the Kerrs Creek Club. A very nice buffet dinner of pork roast, green beans, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, sliced cucumbers and onions, homemade bread, and various desserts was served. Several lady members of the host club led by Diane Swink prepared the delicious meal.

Attendance: 19 Rotarians, 21 Ruritans, and our guest speaker for a total of 41. Meeting held in the Fellowship Hall of the New Monmouth Church.

Announcements and Business:

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- 3. No Happy Bucks tonight as the meeting was held off site.
- 4. A Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Part 1 course will be held in Roanoke on Saturday, August 13, beginning at 8:30 am. Check the district calendar for details.
- 5. August is Membership Month. DG Chris urges you to "Bring a Friend to Rotary" this month.

Program:

Ruritan member Janet Drake introduced our speaker. Bobbie Wolfe. She assumed the role of Branch Director of the Rockbridge Area YMCA on June 20th. The Rockbridge Y became an official branch of the YMCA of Roanoke Valley in late February of this year.

A native of Clifton Forge, Ms. Wolfe is a 2007 graduate of Alleghgany High School and a 2011 graduate of Radford University with a B.S. degree in Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management. She went on to earn an M.S. degree from Aurora University in WI. She comes to this area after 3½ years working at the Roanoke Valley Y where she advanced to become the branch operations director of the Gainsboro branch. She is delighted to return to this area to be closer to family and enjoy the various outdoor activities in the area.

Before making any changes, Ms. Wolfe's goal is to listen to community leaders, people in the school system, staff and volunteers, and learn what they feel are the needs of the community and what changes they desire. She hopes to add more programming to appeal to our more rural areas and add more members. She is especially interested in "getting outside the walls of the Y."

Ms. Wolfe is confident that our local branch will make a bigger impact on the community because of the support services the Roanoke Valley YMCA offers: financial recommendations, human resources, information technology, grant writing, and legal issues.

Ms. Wolfe says "the cool thing about the Y is every Y is different. Once you've been in one Y, you've been in one Y because they're all so different." She explains this is because each is morphed to what a community needs. For example, the Rockbridge Y is the only one she knows that has a café; in this case, the Kind Roots Café. But it differs in that it does not have a pool. Aquatic programming for our Y occurs at Lexington Country Club (summer only) and at Kendal at Lexington (year round).

The Rockbridge Y currently has a little more than 2000 members and an average of 62 classes per week. There are more classes in summer than during the school year.

A very dynamic and enthusiastic speaker, she only needs to slow her delivery for we old folks.

What You Have To Look Forward To:

This is something that happened at an assisted living center:

The people who lived there have small apartments but they all eat at a central cafeteria. One morning one of the residents didn't show up for breakfast so my wife went upstairs and knocked on his door to see if everything was OK. She could hear him through the door and he said that he was running late and would be down shortly so she went back to the dining area.

An hour later he still hadn't arrived so she went back up towards his room and she found him on the stairs. He was coming down the stairs but was having a hell of a time. He had a death grip on the hand rail and seemed to have trouble getting his legs to work right. She told him she was going to call an ambulance but he told her no, he wasn't in any pain and just wanted to have his breakfast. So she helped him the rest of the way down the stairs and he had his breakfast.

When he tried to return to his room he was completely unable to get up even the first step so they called an ambulance for him. A couple hours later she called the hospital to see how he was doing. The receptionist there said he was fine, he just had both of his legs in one leg of his boxer shorts.

(Thanks to Linda Krantz.)

Pot:

No raffle tonight; pot remains at \$12.50.

Future Programs & Activities:

Aug 17: Joint Meeting with DG Chris Runion and Area 6 Rotary Clubs; Double Decker Pavilion at Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista; Social Time: 5:45-6:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm, Meeting follows dinner.

Aug 24: NO MEETING; RCF Counts as Substitute

Aug 27: 41st Edition of Rockbridge Community Festival; RoD Kent McMichael

Aug 31: The Rotary Foundation by Marc Hudson





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All clubs in Area 6 (Buchanan, Buena Vista, Covington-Hot Springs, Lexington, Lexington Lunch, and Lexington Sunrise) met with District Governor (DG) Chris Runion in Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista on Wednesday, August 17th. Because of threatening weather, the meeting was moved from the planned location in the double-decker pavilion on top of the hill to the Main Pavilion near the Paxton House. This pavilion has a much larger capacity and promises more protection from heavy rain and wind.

A very nice buffet meal was served: fried chicken, beef tips in gravy, green beans, baked potatoes, macaroni and cheese, roasted carrots, tossed salad and dressings, homemade rolls and butter, German chocolate cake, apple pie, banana pudding, iced tea and pink lemonade. Aren't you sorry you missed it?

Representing our club were 21 members, and 3 Rotary Partners: Nancy Lowe, Donna Pagnam, and Anne Tucker. And several large appetites. Estimated total attendance: 85.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. Block out Saturday, August 27th, on your calendar! All Rotarians should be prepared to work at the Rockbridge Community Festival on that date. Remember, we no longer have the help of the Kiwanis Club on this project so we all should expect to work more than in the past. Contact Co-Chair Kent to sign up for duty if you have not already done so. Don't forget to wear your Rotary caps and/or red RCF tee-shirts on that day. If you have questions, contact Kent McMichael at 460-5647 (cell) or sgmekm@yahoo.com. A copy of the work schedule for that date has been sent to all members under separate cover.
- 2. No Happy Bucks tonight as the meeting was held off site.
- 3. August is Membership Month. DG Chris urges you to "Bring a Friend to Rotary" this month.
- 4. RI Service Above Self Award winners are announced on page 63 of the August 2016 issue of *the Rotarian* magazine. Why is no one recognized from District 7570? Was no one worthy?

Program:

President Andy Wolfe of the Buena Vista Club welcomed us and introduced Area 6 Assistant Governor Marc Hudson who then introduced District Governor Chris Runion and Partner Jennifer.

Chris Runion lives near Bridgewater, VA and is a member of the Rotary Club of Harrisonburg. Chris joined Rotary in 1992 as a charter member of the Rotary Club of Harrisonburg-Massanutten; he joined his current club in 2001. He received his BS in Accounting from VA Tech and an MBA from JMU. He currently serves as president of a family-owned sign business.

Partner Jennifer has been a public and private school teacher for over 30 years. She currently serves as Director and Instructor for the Community Preschool located in Harrisonburg. She and Chris are proud parents of two sons, one of whom works with Chris in the sign business.

One of the highlights of the evening was the induction of three new members (one female) into Rotary: one each in the Buena Vista, Lexington Lunch, and Lexington Sunrise Clubs. (Sorry, didn't get their names.) Chris listed their obligations as new members: get to know other members of your club; learn more about Rotary in general; attend District Conference in the Spring; tell the story of Rotary to others; and expect much from Rotary leadership. He then pinned each with their Rotary pin and shook their hands in welcome. (Incidentally, he mentioned that the pin is an international symbol – manufactured in Seoul, South Korea.

Chris called our attention to district grants. 40 grants totaling more than \$100K were made this year, two to area clubs: one of \$1700 to Lexington Lunch for a literacy program; another of \$4000 to Lexington Sunrise for a YMCA outreach program. He urged all clubs to take advantage of this source of support for worthwhile programs – after all, it is our money.

He pointed out that new RI President Germ was focusing on PolioPlus this year because his father contracted polio as a lad but recovered, fortunately. (There is a video available on the web site.) Two cases were reported in Africa last year so we can't say the continent is polio free, however, it is encouraging that only 24 cases were reported world-wide last year.

Chris urged all members to attend the following later this year: public image summit in Radford (9/17); the Foundation dinner in Lynchburg (11/5); and the Annual District Conference (3/16-18).

He concluded by pointing out that the Rotary Foundation has spent \$3B in 100 years of service to humanity. And it started with the modest donation of \$26.50. He urged us to focus on "continuing our service." Remember President Germ's theme: "Rotary Serving Humanity." Regular members contributions every day are most important. As Fred Rogers (famous for Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood on TV) said, "Life is for service."

It is traditional to present a gift to the DG and Partner, but, at their request, a total of \$650 from area clubs was contributed to PolioPlus instead.

Council on Legislation:

"Every 3 years, each Rotary district sends a representative to gather with members from around the world and consider proposed changes to the policies that govern the organization and its member clubs.

"The 2016 Council convened 10-15 April in Chicago. The Council granted clubs more freedom in determining their meeting schedule and membership and approved an increase in per capita dues of \$4 per year for three years.

"The Board set the tone for this year's Council early, putting forth two proposals designed to increase flexibility. The first measure allows clubs to decide to vary their meeting times, whether to meet online or in person, and when to cancel a meeting, as long as they meet at least twice a month. The second allows clubs more flexibility in choosing their membership rules and requirements. Both passed,

"Representatives also approved replacing six membership criteria from the RI Constitution with a simle requirement – that a member be a person of good character who has a good reputation in his or her business or community and is willing to serve."

(For the complete story, see pages 57-59 of the August 2016 issue of the Rotarian magazine.)

Pot:

No raffle tonight; pot remains at \$12.50.

Smart Kids:

TEACHER: Clyde, your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly the same as your brother's. Did you

copy his?

CLYDE: No, sir. It's the same dog.

Future Programs & Activities:

Aug 24: NO MEETING; RCF Counts as Substitute

Aug 27: 41st Edition of Rockbridge Community Festival; RoD Kent McMichael

Aug 31: The Rotary Foundation by Marc Hudson, AG for Area 6

Sep 07: TBA Sep 14: TBA

Sep 21: Annual Steak Cookout at The Last Resort; RoD Skip Ravenhorst





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President Skip presided. Guests: None. Visiting Rotarians: Marc Hudson of the Lexington Sunrise Club and our speaker. Attendance: 24 members, and 1 visiting Rotarian for a total of 25. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. Kent McMichael, Co-Chair of the Rockbridge Community Festival (RCF), thanked all who helped put on the Festival last Saturday in downtown Lexington. He reported that, although the physical layout was different this year, everything went well and he expects the final report (in a few weeks) will show it to be our most successful ever. Thanks to Kent and the Planning Committee (consisting of some of our members and Jaycees) for a super job!
- 2. Kent, who will move up to chair the event in 2017, urged members to sign up for the RCF committee of their choice right away.
- 3. Kent has some attractive left-over RCF tee shirts in various sizes: no cost for any member who worked at the Festival but somehow failed to get one; \$10 to other members who did not come out; and \$20 to non-members. See Kent for your size.
- 4. The Hospice Hustle on Saturday evening, September 17, is our service project for the month. Mary Sayre distributed sign-up sheets for members to volunteer; she also e-mailed them later. Please sign up to assist in this very worthwhile project if you haven't already done so.
- 5. President Skip urged us to contribute our pocket change to the Blue Buckets on each table to support research into alzheimers disease.

Minute for Rotary:

President Skip profiled our new RI President, John Germ. Do you have any idea what his high school nickname was? You guessed it: **Bacteria**. For a complete look at "one of Tennessee's most committed citizens," see the article on page 32 of the July issue of *the Rotarian* magazine. Skip said his photo there looks like a grandfather or a little brother depending on your age. Do you recall his theme of the year?

Program:

President Skip introduced Marc Hudson, a member of the Lexington Sunrise Rotary Club and Assistant Governor of Area 6 of District 7570. Marc is also the Rotary Foundation advocate for the district. He spoke to us about the Foundation.

At the 1917 convention, outgoing Rotary President Arch Klumph proposed to set up an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International.

In 1929, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen, later grew into Easter Seals.

When Rotary founder Paul Harris died in 1947, contributions began pouring in to Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation. That year, the Foundation established its first program, Fellowships for Advance Study, later known as Ambassadorial Scholarships.

In 1965-66, three programs were launched: Group Study Exchange, Awards for Technical Training, and Grants for Activities in Keeping with the Objective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants.

In 1978, Rotary introduced the Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The first 3-H Grant funded a project to immunize 6 million Philippine children against polio. That led in 1985 to the PolioPlus program that was launched to eradicate polio worldwide.

In 1987-88, the first peace forums were held, leading to Rotary Peace Fellowships. And in 2013, new district, global, and packaged grants to enable Rotarians around the world to respond to the world's greatest needs.

Since the first donation of \$26.50 in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than \$1 billion. Rl's areas of focus in 2016-17 are: promoting peace; fighting disease; providing clean water; saving mothers and children; supporting education; and growing local economies. Of course, Rl's most recognized project is the global effort known as PolioPlus intended to eliminate polio worldwide.

How are these projects funded? District grants fund small-scale, short-term activities that address needs in our community and/or communities abroad. Each district chooses which activities it will fund with these grants.

District grants can be used to fund a variety of district and club projects and activities, including: humanitarian projects, including service travel and disaster recovery efforts; scholarships for any level, length of time, location, or area of study; vocational training teams, which are groups of professionals who travel abroad either to teach local professionals about a particular field or to learn more about their own. There aren't many restrictions, as long as your district grant supports the mission of The Rotary Foundation.

Districts may use up to 50 percent of their District Designated Fund (DDF) to receive one district grant annually. This percentage is calculated based on the amount of DDF generated from a district's Annual Fund giving three years prior, including Endowment Fund earnings. The District is not required to request the full amount available. The District receives this funding as a lump sum and then distributes it to their clubs. Clubs work directly with their district to get funding. DG Chris or AG Marc may be consulted to find out when to submit a request and whether there are additional district requirements to be met, such as reporting or training.

Happy Bucks:

- Mary Sayre was happy about a number of things at the RCF: first, the RCF Board who planned the Festival worked very well together and did a superior job; second, the outstanding response of our members in showing up to help out; third, for thoughtful Denny Garvis who brought her a much-needed cup of coffee very early on Saturday morning and then refused to turn the RCF tee shirt around all day after putting it on backwards; forth, being able to laugh when the Public Works street sweeper on Saturday morning erased all the markings placed on the curbs on Friday evening but they were a lot easier the second time around; and finally, thanks to our awesome architect who provided the maps.
- Skip Ravenhorst happily admitted having to measure the streets for his maps of the new RCF arrangement and finding a remarkable number of discrepancies from earlier assumed values.
- Scott Risser was happy to commend all of the planners who worked on the RCF for months and did a superb job; for Kent who shepherded the project and got everything and everybody where they needed to be and on time; and observed that the food vendors who ran out of food just happened to be near where Kent was located.
- Julie Goyette was happy with the new configuration at the RCF.
- Jim Slack pointed out that one of the vendors was a blacksmith with a grill containing lighted coals; a
 member of the fire department came by and said that was not allowed but after it was pointed out he
 had a fire truck available, he relented and allowed him to proceed with his exhibit.
- Linda Krantz was happy to share one of her jokes; it will be featured in next week's Bulletin.

Birthdays and Anniversaries in September:

Happy Birthday to: Chuck Barger on the 20th; Anne Tucker on the 23rd; and Mary Ellena Ward on the 27th.

Happy Anniversary to: Sue and Joe Milo on the 8th; Betty and Kent McMichael on the 14th; Charlotte and Sam Sibold on the 16th; and Latha and William Dawson on the 28th.

Pot:

Shane Gonsalves won the raffle but not the big pot that is building again, now at \$30.50.

A Little Humor – Two Catholic Parrots:

A lady goes to her priest one day and tells him, 'Father, I have a problem. I have two female parrots, But they only know to say one thing.' 'What do they say?' the priest asked. They say, 'Hi, we're hookers! Do you want to have some fun?' 'That's obscene!' the priest exclaimed,

Then he thought for a moment. 'You know,' he said, 'I may have a solution to your problem. I have two male talking parrots, which I have taught to pray and read the Bible. Bring your two parrots over to my house, and we'll put them in the cage with Francis and Peter. My parrots can teach your parrots to pray and worship, And your parrots are sure to stop saying that phrase in no time.' 'Thank you,' the woman responded, 'this may very well be the solution.'

The next day, she brought her female parrots to the priest's house. As he ushered her in, she saw that his two male parrots were inside their cage holding rosary beads and praying. Impressed, she walked over and placed her parrots in with them. After a few minutes, the female parrots cried out in unison, 'Hi, we're hookers! Do you want to have some fun?'

There was stunned silence. Shocked, one male parrot looked over at the other male parrot and said, 'Put the beads away, Frank, our prayers have been answered !!!'

(Thanks to John Tucker.)

Future Programs & Activities:

Sep 07: Local Business By Ed and Chad Booker, RoD Linda Krantz

Sep 14: Club Assembly, RoD Skip Ravenhorst

Sep 21: Annual Steak Cookout at The Last Resort; RoD Skip Ravenhorst

Sep 28: "The End of Newspapers as We know Them" by Pam Luecke, Head of W&L's

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President Skip presided. Guests: David Krantz, Partner of Linda; and our speakers, Ed and Chad Booher. Visiting Rotarian: George Karnes, DG Nominee for 7570 and a member of the Rotary Club of Warren County (formerly the Linden Rotary Club). Attendance: 25 members, 3 guests, and one visiting Rotarian for a total of 29. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. The Hospice Hustle on Saturday evening, September 17, is our service project for the month. Mary Sayre again distributed sign-up sheets for members to volunteer; she will also e-mail them later. More volunteers are still needed so please sign up to assist in this very worthwhile project if you haven't already done so.
- 2. President Skip reminded us of our Club's Annual Steak Cookout on Wednesday, September 21, at his residence. As usual, it will be pot luck; he will email details of who is to bring what and how to reach his home. He circulated a sign-up sheet for members to specify their attendance and guests please contact Skip and let him know about yourself and guests if you were not present.
- 3. DG-N George Karnes reminded us of the annual dinner to celebrate the Rotary Foundation scheduled on November 5 in Lynchburg. The dinner will be held in the Craddock Terry Hotel a block of rooms have been reserved for those who wish to remain overnight. More info may be found on the District web site.
- 4. The Zone 33 Rotary Leadership Institute -- offering leadership and Rotary education training for new Rotarians and prospective Rotary club leaders -- will take place in Harrisonburg and Blacksburg on November 4th. Consult the District web site for more details.
- 5. A Public Image and Membership Workshop sponsored by District 7570 is scheduled for Saturday, September 17, at the Selu Conservancy & Retreat Center, Selu Observatory, Radford, Virginia. 10:00 am 3:30 pm. REGISTER on DISTRICT WEB SITE Rotary7570.org.
- 6. Theme for September is Basic Education and Literacy.
- 7. The September District Newsletter is now available on the web site. Read it if you have several hours available it goes on for 49 pages.
- 8. The District Directory has a wealth of information about District officials, clubs, meeting places, and includes a few historical lists such as former DGs and the like. It is now available online and may be accessed in the following steps: log onto www.rotary7570.org; click on the choice Who Are We?; choose District Directory from the drop down menu and click on it; move down on your screen and click on 2016-17 Directory just below the graphic.

Minute for Rotary:

PDG Rae Carpenter brought several photos taken off his computer concerning the Rotary Club of Istanbul, Turkey. His oldest son, D. Rae III, and his wife Ginger had flown to Turkey to entrain on the Orient Express for a trip to Paris. They attended the Rotary meeting and sent Rae photos of the CAN OBA restaurant where the meeting was held and of Ginger seated at a table. There was also a printed announcement about the meeting but your editor is unable to understand the language.

Program:

RoD Linda Krantz introduced her across-the-road neighbors, Ed and Chad Booher.

After service with Rockwell International and IBM, Mr. Booher spent 29 years running the Washington D. C. parking program. Out of this experience has grown their unusual business of helping municipalities (local, state, and national) upgrade or refresh all kinds of municipal devices/containers, such as parking meters, benches, signs, trash containers, etc. by dismantling them, refurbishing them, and sending them back as good as or better than new. And all done in an environmentally friendly

manner. He touched on how parking meters have evolved to today's high tech models where they accept credit cards and immediately transmit charges to home offices.

Mr. Booher talked about how they came to offer this unique service, and his son Chad talked about how and where the work takes place. They are moving their business to the warehousing area of Natural Bridge because demand for their services has far outstripped what they are now using on Elliot's Hill Lane. Chad is taking over the business as dad phases into retirement. Their business is evolving, going from almost exclusive attention on parking meters to transportation, signage, signals, and waste management, among other things.

A most unusual but interesting program.

Happy Bucks:

- Nick Cuzzimano was happy to report on his experience last month as a representative of the Marines
 asked to throw out the first pitch at a Salem Red Sox baseball game. He proudly stated that he
 bounced it to the plate.
- Joe Milo was happy to bring us up to date on old family news: son Nick found a girl who (as Joe put
 it) agreed to help him improve the Milo gene pool; as far as the big wedding was concerned, Joe
 summarized it as "the groom was happy and the bride was good looking."
- Ed Claiborn felt the need to explain to us that his present use of a cane was because of a resurfacing problem with a wound first acquired in WWII.
- Mary Sayre was happy to report a last minute call from her daughter announcing a trip home for Labor Day weekend; it was wonderful even though she had to scramble around to get tickets to a football game and other events.
- Dick Minnix recalled that son Jeff reported on construction of the Midtown Tunnel beneath the Elizabeth River in a program presented to our club on 6/26/2013; he was happy to report that the tunnel, which connects Norfolk and Portsmouth, opened to traffic last week three months in advance of their target completion date; that the lead contractor is a Swedish company may have something to do with that; and by the way, son Jeff was in charge of quality assurance on that project until last November, but is now COO of the Elizabeth River Crossings Company responsible for maintenance and operation of four Elizabeth River tunnels.
- DGN George Karnes was happy to join our "great" club for this meeting and hear such an interesting program.
- Linda Krantz was happy that her neighbors came and presented such an interesting program.

Another Joke From Linda:

As a bagpiper, I play many gigs. Recently I was asked by a funeral director to play at a graveside service for a homeless man. He had no family or friends, so the service was to be at a pauper's cemetery in the Nova Scotia back country.

As I was not familiar with the backwoods, I got lost and, being a typical man, I didn't stop for directions. I finally arrived an hour late and saw the funeral guy had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere in sight. There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. I felt badly and apologized to the men for being late.

I went to the side of the grave and looked down and the vault lid was already in place. I didn't know what else to do, so I started to play. The workers put down their lunches and began to gather around. I played out my heart and soul for this man with no family and friends. I played like I've never played before for this homeless man.

And as I played "Amazing Grace", the workers began to weep. They wept, I wept, we all wept together. When I finished, I packed up my bagpipes and started for my car. Though my head was hung low, my heart was full.

As I opened the door to my car, I heard one of the workers say, "I never seen anything like that before, and I've been putting in septic tanks for twenty years."

Apparently, I'm still lost....it's a man thing.

Pot:

Dick Minnix won the raffle but not the big pot that is building again, now at \$49.50.

Code of Conduct:

Are you familiar with the Rotarian Code of Conduct? It appears in every issue of *the Rotarian* magazine along with The Object of Rotary and The Four-Way Test. Here it is:

Rotarian Code of Conduct

The following code of conduct has been adopted for the use of Rotarians:

As a Rotarian, I will

- 1. Act with integrity and high ethical standards in my personal and professional life;
- 2. Deal fairly with others and treat them and their occupations with respect;
- 3. Use my professional skills through Rotary to mentor young people, help those with special needs, and improve people's quality of life in my community and in the world;
- 4. Avoid behavior that reflects adversely on Rotary and other Rotarians.

Future Programs & Activities:

- Sep 14: Club Assembly, RoD Skip Ravenhorst
- Sep 17: Public Image and Membership Workshop, Radford University
- Sep 17: Hospice Hustle at LGCC
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 - Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, RoD Chip Honsinger
- Oct 05: Natural Bridge State Park by Paul Cooper, RoD Joe Pagnam
- Nov 04: Rotary Leadership Institutes, Harrisonburg and Blacksburg
- Nov 05: Rotary Foundation Dinner in Lynchburg





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President Skip presided. Guests: None. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 26 members. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Announcements and Business:

- 1. President Skip reported the sad news that PDG David E. Moorman of the Front Royal Rotary Club had died. He was Governor of District 7570 in 2004-05.
- 2. The Hospice Hustle is on track for Saturday evening, September 17, and is our service project for the month. Mary Sayre announced that she got a good response to her email message but more assistance could still be utilized. MJ Jones will contact all volunteers by email and provide details of when and where to report, time, etc.
- 3. President Skip reminded us of our Club's Annual Cookout on Wednesday, September 21, at his residence. As usual, it will be pot luck; details of who is to bring what and how to reach his home are included below. He circulated a sign-up sheet for members to specify their attendance and guests please contact Skip and let him know about yourself and guests if you were not present.
- 4. The District Directory has a wealth of information about District officials, clubs, meeting places, and includes a few historical lists such as former DGs and the like. It is now available online and may be accessed in the following steps: log onto www.rotary7570.org; click on the choice Who Are We?; choose District Directory from the drop down menu and click on it; move down on your screen and click on 2016-17 Directory just below the graphic.
- 5. Photos from last month's Rockbridge Community Festival are posted on our club's web site (see above for address).
- 6. Project Chair Mary Sayre announced we need service projects for January and February.

Cookout Information:

Make your plans now to attend our Annual Cook-Out at the home of President Skip and Rita Ravenhorst on September 21st at 6:00 pm. This will be a Partners/Guest night; attendance is limited to adults. We expect to dine on their patio if the weather cooperates. They request that members bring fold-up chairs if you have several, but not to worry if you don't.

Our club will provide professionally-prepared brisket, paper plates and cups, plastic forks, knives and spoons, and non-alcoholic drinks. Members are asked to bring a vegetable, salad, or dessert that would feed at least 6-8 people. In order to ensure a proper mix of dishes, our hosts have made the following assignments:

Last name beginning A – G: bring an appetizer or dessert;

Last name beginning H – P: bring a vegetable dish;

Last name beginning R – Z: bring a salad.

Don't forget serving spoons for all!

Those who want beer or wine should bring it with them. Skip assures us the brisket will be tender enough to eat with plastic utensils. Brisket is expensive, so please call President Skip ASAP (463-3205) to let him know you plan to attend (or not) if you did not sign up at our last meeting; he needs an accurate count in order to purchase the proper amount of meat.

Directions to the Last Resort, home of Rita and Skip at 322 Furrs Mill Road: Turn left immediately at the end of the Veterans Memorial Bridge on Rt. 11 North of Lexington, proceed west on Furrs Mill Road (Rt. 631). At the intersection with Greenhouse Road, continue to bear left on Furrs Mill Road. You will pass the "pole houses" on the left, and Maury Cliffs subdivision on the right. There will be a sign to "Watch for Turning Vehicles", after which the gravel driveway to the Last Resort is on the right. The distance from Route 11 is 0.6 miles. Car pooling where possible is encouraged.

Program:

President Skip conducted a club assembly:

- 1. At its July meeting, our Board of Directors accepted the resignations of Latha B. Dawson and Michelle K. (MJ) Jones, with regret. Both pled the press of other duties.
- 2. To replace MJ as a Director, our Board selected Joe Milo; he has agreed to serve.
- 3. Shane Gonsalves volunteered at our meeting to serve as Sargeant-at-Arms vice Joe Milo; he was approved by voice vote of members of our Board.
- 4. Skip reviewed the committee structure and asked for volunteers to fill them out:
 - I. Standing Committees:
 - A. Club Administration:

President, President-Elect (P-E), Secretary (Sec)

Subcommittees:

- 1. Special Events: (cookout, Christmas party, awards, picnic) P-E, Krantz, Minnix, M. Sayre
- 2. Internal Club Communications: (Bulletin, on-line calendar)
 - P-E, Sec, Minnix, Sibold, Somerville Brown,
- 3. Club Governance:
 - V. Honsinger, Risser
- 4. Nominations Subcommittee:

P-E, Barger, Carter, M. Honsinger

B. Membership:

Carter, Fleming, V. Honsinger, McCoy

C. Public Image: (print and social media, web site)

Sec, Berkshire, Ravenhorst

D. Rotary Foundation:

Barger, Lowe, Sayre

E. Service Projects:

McCoy, B. McMichael, M. Sayre

Subcommittees:

1. Roadside Cleanup:

B. McMichael. Ravenhorst

2. Christmas Baskets:

Lowe, McCoy, Slack, Van de Water

3. Cemetery Flags:

Claiborn, McCoy. K. McMichael

4. Finance:

Treasurer, Carter, R. Sayre, Slack

5. Youth Services:

Berkshire, Cuzzimano, Slack

II. Ad Hoc Committees:

A. Leprechaun (St. Patrick's Day fundraiser)

M. Honsinger, Krantz, Pagnam, Van de Water

B. Community Festival:

Berkshire, K. McMichael, Pagnam, Sibold

Members not present will be contacted and asked to join a committee or committees of their choice.

Approval of Prospective New Member:

Our Board of Directors has approved the following prospect for membership:

Chad Booher. Chad was one of the speakers from Booher & Associates at our September 7 meeting. He and his family are in the business of refurbishing all kinds of municipal devices/containers, such as parking meters, benches, signs, trash containers, etc. Classification: Municipal Equipment. Sponsor: Linda Krantz.

Any member who objects to offering membership to Chad should submit their objection(s) in writing to Secretary Julie within seven days of receipt of this Bulletin.

Happy Bucks:

- Betty McMichael was happy on multiple accounts: she fondly recalled service as AG with "nice man"
 David Moorman; commended Skip on club organization; and announced that today was her 26th
 wedding anniversary (Kent assured her he cancelled dinner reservations in order to attend tonight's
 meeting!).
- Chip Honsinger was happy to be back after a summer of travel; he reviewed trips to New York state, Arkansas, Texas, and, finally, a canoe trip in Canada with the Fellowship of Canoeing Rotarians.
- Mary Sayre was happy to commend all members for pulling together and working hard on projects during the year and was pleased with Skip on putting together the club organization.
- President Skip was happy to acknowledge the help he found in referring to extensive notes PP Scott Risser put together on committee structure when he was president in 2014-15.
- Mary Honsinger was happy that Chip let her "tag along" on his adventures.
- Julie Goyette was happy with President Skip for his organization and having a vision of succession in the club.
- Ed Claiborn was happy to confess that he has been lip synching the words when we sing as a club.

Another Joke From Linda: ITALIAN ALTAR BOY CONFESSION

'Bless me Father, for I have sinned. I have been with a loose girl.' The priest asks, 'Is that you, little Dominic Savino?' 'Yes, Father, it is.' 'And who was the girl you were with?' 'I can't tell you, Father. I don't want to ruin her reputation.'

"Well, Dominic, I'm sure to find out her name sooner or later so you may as well tell me now. Was it Tina Minetti?' 'I cannot say.' 'Was it Teresa Mazzarelli?' 'I'll never tell. ' 'Was it Nina Capelli?' 'I'm sorry, but I cannot name her.' 'Was it Cathy Piriano?' 'My lips are sealed.' 'Was it Rosa DiAngelo, then?' 'Please, Father, I cannot tell you.'

The priest sighs in frustration. 'You're very tight lipped, and I admire that. But you've sinned and have to atone. You cannot be an altar boy now for 4 months. Now go say a rosary and behave yourself.'

Joey walks back to his pew, and his friend Franco slides over and whispers, 'What'd you get?' 'Four months vacation and five good leads.'

Pot:

Shane Gonsalves won the raffle but not the big pot that is building again, now at \$67.50.

Future Programs & Activities:

- Sep 17: Public Image and Membership Workshop, Radford University
- Sep 17: Hospice Hustle at LGCC
- Sep 21: Annual Cookout at The Last Resort; RoD Skip Ravenhorst
- Sep 28: "The End of Newspapers as We know Them" by Pam Luecke, Head of W&L's
 - Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, RoD Chip Honsinger
- Oct 05: Natural Bridge State Park by Paul Cooper, RoD Joe Pagnam
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This was our Annual Cookout held at the Ravenhorst Abode located at 322 Furrs Mill Road. Our club provided the brisket and members and Partners brought pot luck for a delicious meal. Many also brought a bottle of wine or some beer to share that increased our enjoyment. Attendance: 26 members, and 14 Partners for a total attendance of 40.

Announcements:

- 1. President Skip read a very nice letter from MJ Jones thanking our club for its wonderful assistance and support for The Hospice Hustle, held on Saturday evening, September 17th. This event was a fund raiser for Rockbridge Area Hospice and was our service project for the month.
- 2. The District Directory has a wealth of information about District officials, clubs, meeting places, and includes a few historical lists such as former DGs and the like. It is now available online and may be accessed in the following steps: log onto www.rotary7570.org; click on the choice Who Are We?; choose District Directory from the drop down menu and click on it; move down on your screen and click on 2016-17 Directory just below the graphic.
- 3. Project Chair Mary Sayre is seeking service projects for January and February.

Program:

None, just good food, fun, and fellowship. In your editor's opinion, this event continues to be the highlight of our Rotary year. For a change, Rita and Skip decided we should have brisket – it was the most tender your editor can recall; and there was a variety of sauces to top it off. The food fairy made sure we had a variety of delectable pot luck. And a few bottles of wine and beer and other spirits did not hurt.

Special thanks to our gracious hosts: Rita and Skip. Someone worked very hard to get everything set for our gathering – and she even placed flowers on all the tables. The Ravenhorst "Estate" just north of Lexington was perfect for the event – the setting was spectacular. Who knew that an architect had such excellent taste in partners and real estate.

Raffle and Happy Bucks:

Neither tonight as the cookout was off site.

The Old American Rancher:

Mr. Peabody, the local banker, saw his old friend Tom, an 80-year-old rancher, in town. Tom had lost his wife the year before. Rumor had it he was marrying a 'mail order' bride.

Mr. Peabody asked Tom if the rumor was true. Tom replied, "Yes, it is true." Mr. Peabody asked, "May I ask the age of your new bride to be?" Tom replied, "She'll be 21 in November."

Mr. Peabody, being a wise man, knew the sexual appetite of a young woman could not be satisfied by an 80-year-old man. He wanted Tom's remaining years to be happy. So he tactfully suggested that Tom should consider getting a hired hand to help him out on the ranch, knowing nature would take its own course. Tom thought this was a good idea and said he would look for a hired hand that very afternoon.

Four months later, Mr. Peabody saw Tom in town again. Mr. Peabody asked, "How is your new wife?" Tom replied, "Good. She's pregnant." Mr. Peabody was pleased his sage advice had worked out so well. He asked, "And how's the hired hand?" Without hesitating, Tom said, "She's pregnant too!"

Never underestimate old men.

Some Thoughts on Politics:

"If God wanted us to vote, he would have given us candidates." ~Jay Leno~

"The problem with political jokes is they get elected." ~Henry Cate, VII~

"We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office" ~Aesop~

"If we got one-tenth of what was promised to us in these State of the Union speeches, there wouldn't be any inducement to go to heaven.* ~Will Rogers~

"When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it." ~Clarence Darrow~

"Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel." ~John Quinton~

"Why pay money to have your family tree traced; go into politics and your opponents will do it for you." ~Author unknown~

"Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich, by promising to protect each from the other." "Oscar Ameringer"

"I offer my opponents a bargain: if they will stop telling lies about us, I will stop telling the truth about them." ~Adlai Stevenson, 1952~

"A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country." ~ Tex Guinan~

"I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians." ~Charles de Gaulle~

"Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, it might be better to change the locks." ~Doug Larson~

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President Skip presided. Guests: our speaker, Pam Luecke. Visiting Rotarians: None. Attendance: 25 members and 1 guest for a total of 26. Meeting held at the Lexington Golf and Country Club.

Business and Announcements:

1. President Skip read the following letter sent to Mary "Mike" Sayre, Chair of our club's Service Project Committee: "On behalf of the Rockbridge Area Hospice and the Hospice Hustle Planning Committee, we would like to thank the Lexington Rotary Club for assisting with this year's event. We were in desperate need of route monitors and several other key volunteer positions and your club rallied to the call. Every single person who attended on behalf of the club worked hard and pitched in in other areas. I personally was very grateful for the club's support.

Again, we appreciate the time and effort you and your staff took to support our event and our mission. Togethet we are, Neighbors Helping Neighbors." Signed by Michelle Jones, Marketing and Development Director.

- 2. Chairs Betty McMichael and Skip Ravenhorst explored the possibility of arranging a Roadside Cleanup this coming weekend (October 1st) but found few members available to volunteer on that date. They will attempt to schedule on a Saturday later in October (a busy month).
- 3. PE Joe Pagnam gave us a heads-up on the "Leprechaun Leap," a fund raiser planned for next March 18th. It is to be a run/walk between Lexington and Buena Vista; it may be thought of as a replacement for the old Lexington-Buena Vista Road Race
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Minute for Rotary:

Robert Sayre offerred the following: On page one of Section B. of the September 28th issue of the Lexington News-Gazette is a picture that connects with Polio Plus. The Buena Vista Rescue Squad in the 1950s showed off their three portable iron lungs. Question: What was their use if not for polio? Why are iron lungs no longer in use in the county? Answer: Polio Plus.

Program:

RoD Chip Honsinger introduced Pam Luecke who spoke to us on "The End of Newspapers as We Know Them." She is head of the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications at WLU. She joined the university in the summer of 2001 as the Reynolds Professor of Business Journalism, after a 26-year career in daily newspapers. Her last stop was editor and senior vice president of the Lexington (KY) Herald-Leader. She also worked as a reporter and editor at newspapers in Louisville, KY, and Hartford, CN. Pam received a B. A. in philosophy from Carlton College in Northfield, MN. She has a master's degree in journalism from Northwestern University and an M.B.A. from the University of Hartford. She is a former member of the Lexington Sunrise Rotary Club and, thanks to her father, the late John Luecke, she is a Paul Harris Fellow. Her sister and brother are also Rotarians in Ohio. Pam lives with her husband, George Graves, at Sixty West, which is a known hotbed of Rotarians.

Newspapers dominated news delivery for more than 200 years, but encountered increasing competition in the 20th century - first from radio and then from television. In the late 1900s, the biggest threat of all emerged: the Internet. Digital communication means that anyone can have a printing press, and hundreds of new online-only sources of information have sprung up. As readers' attention has gone

elsewhere, so have advertisers' dollars. That has meant a gradual decline in newspapers and jobs for newspaper journalists.

Newspapers are still the source of most original and investigative reporting, though, and Prof. Luecke worries that their continued decline will lead to less informed citizens. That will hurt democracy. She sees signs of hope, though, in non-profit journalism models like ProPublica and in digital innovations being tested by news organizations such as the Washington Post and New York Times. And there are still more than 1400 daily newspapers and more than 8000 weeklies. She also noted that the Boston Globe won a Pulitzer Prize in 2002 for its investigative coverage of the Catholic Church - and a movie about the Globe's reporting ("Spotlight") won the Academy Award this year for Best Picture.

An excellent program – thanks Chip.

Happy Bucks:

- Julia Van de Water was happy to reminisce about her 5th generation newspaper family that transformed into a printing operation (now 3rd generation) in 1949 but has snce morphed into something else today; she reminded us that her father Ken was a journalism major at WLU and thanked Pam for an excellent program.
- Betty McMichael was happy to commend Rita and Skip for the lovely dinner we had at their house last week: beautiful setting, flowers on the tables, and wonderful brisket.
- Chip Honsinger was happy to report on his and Mary's attendance at the ceremony last Saturday at which Natural Bridge became the 37th state park in Virginia; it is a unique arrangement in which the park will be state-managed but still privately owned for 10 years until the debt is paid off; he pointed out that next week's program is about the new park.
- Mary Honsinger was happy to commend Rita and Skip for last week's beautiful meeting at their home; and to thank Pam for the program as she is a dedicated newspaper reader.
- Mary Sayre was happy(?) to note that she enters her 6th decade next Saturday; and to note that, after declining a surprise(?) party, she is excited that her family will gather in Montreal for a celebration.
- Ed Claiborn was happy to acknowledge his enjoyment of tonight's program for two reasons: Paul Barron did an experiment to illustrate that "Wicked Wikipedia" is without control; and the reputation of newspapers allow us to place our trust in their reporting.
- Bill Lowe was happy to pick the premier football game this weekend: that in Colorado Springs between Canoe U and USAF he just might have to eat those words!
- Dick Minnix was happy to endorse Pam's recommendation of the movie Spotlight; Kendal brought it back after her talk there and showed it on one of their regular weekly Thursday evening shows; it highlights investigative journalism and is first rate.
- Linda Krantz was happy to point out that Shirley Claiborn has a number of oil paintings hanging in the LGCC central activities room and recommended we each have a look at them.
- Scott Risser was happy to commend Rita and Skip but really to the one who gave her life last week
 to the Annual Cookout; and congratulated the VMI football team on their second consecutive victory,
 a rarity in recent years.
- Responding to numerous inquiries, Skip Ravenhorst was happy to report that the person who
 prepared the delicious brisket last week was Scotty Hayslette, owner of "Beam Me Up Barbecue."
 (Note the Star Trek connection, "Beam me up, Scotty.")

Birthdays and Anniversaries in October:

Happy Birthday to: Mary Sayre and George Piegari on the 1st; Joe Milo on the 4th; David Krantz on the 7th; Marian Minnix on the 11th; Jim McCoy on the 13th; Derek Carter on the 17th; Donna Pagnam on the 20th; Connie Carter on the 27th; and Jim Slack on the 28th. What was going on during those cold nights in January?

Happy Anniversary to: Jane and Jim McCoy on the 15th; and Margaret and Robert Sayre on the 27th.

Pot:

Mary Sayre won the raffle but not the BIG pot which now totals \$83.00.

Most of Our Generation were HOME SCHOOLED in Many Ways:

- My mother taught me TO APPRECIATE A JOB WELL DONE: "If you're going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning."
- My mother taught me RELIGION: "You better pray that will come out of the carpet."
- My father taught me about TIME TRAVEL: "If you don't straighten up, I'm going to knock you into the middle of next week!"
- My father taught me LOGIC: "Because I said so, that's why."
- My mother taught me MORE LOGIC: "If you fall out of that swing and break your neck, you're not going to the store with me."
- My mother taught me FORESIGHT: "Make sure you wear clean underwear, in case you're in an accident."
- My father taught me IRONY: "Keep crying, and I'll give you something to cry about."
- My mother taught me about the science of OSMOSIS: "Shut your mouth and eat your supper."
- My mother taught me about CONTORTIONISM: "Just you look at that dirt on the back of your neck!"
- My mother taught me about STAMINA: "You'll sit there until all that spinach is gone."
- My mother taught me about WEATHER: "This room of yours looks as if a tornado went through it."
- My mother taught me about HYPOCRISY: "If I told you once, I've told you a million times, don't exaggerate!"
- My father taught me the CIRCLE OF LIFE: "I brought you into this world, and I can take you out..."
- My mother taught me about BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION: "Stop acting like your father!"
- My mother taught me about ENVY: "There are millions of less fortunate children in this world who don't have wonderful parents like you do."
- My mother taught me about ANTICIPATION: "Just wait until we get home."
- My mother taught me about RECEIVING: "You are going to get it from your father when you get home!"
- My mother taught me MEDICAL SCIENCE: "If you don't stop crossing your eyes, they are going to get stuck that way."
- My mother taught me ESP: "Put your sweater on; don't you think I know when you are cold?"
- My father taught me HUMOR: "When that lawn mower cuts off your toes, don't come running to me."
- My mother taught me HOW TO BECOME AN ADULT: "If you don't eat your vegetables, you'll never grow up."
- My mother taught me GENETICS: "You're just like your father."
- My mother taught me about my ROOTS: "Shut that door behind you. Do you think you were born in a barn?"
- My mother taught me WISDOM: "When you get to be my age, you'll understand.
- My father taught me about JUSTICE: "One day you'll have kids, and I hope they turn out just like you!"

(Source unknown.)

Future Programs & Activities:

Oct 05: Natural Bridge State Park by Paul Cooper, RoD Joe Pagnam

Oct 12: Joint Meeting with Jaycees at Blue Ridge Taps, RoD Skip Ravenhorst

Oct 19: Paws for Purple Hearts by Greg Sipple, RoD Joe Pagnam

Oct 26: TBA Nov 02: TBA

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