## PEE VEE VIEWS March 9, 2022



## **OUR 68TH YEAR OF "SERVICE ABOVE SELF"**



LINCOLN PARK CENTENNIAL 50/50 -LAST CHANCE: Tickets are \$10 each. The drawing will be March 10, 2022 at the gala. See Janet or Patty and tell them how many you need. As Phil Harris once said, you have to be in it, to win it! The LINCOLN PARK <u>CENTENNIAL GALA</u> is TOMORROW, MARCH 10th: Janet is helping Ernie with coordinating our seating for the Lincoln Park Gala on March 10, 2022. It is likely too late, but if you still want to attend, contact Janet.

WE HAVE THREE PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS: We now have three prospective members: <u>Victor Rodriguez</u> of TD Bank in Pompton Plains, he has attended five meetings including this past week and has submitted his application for consideration at tonight's board meeting. <u>Altea Gonnella</u> of Lincoln 1st Bank in Lincoln Park has attended two meetings and was Club President of the North Rockland Rotary in upstate New York. <u>Douglas</u> <u>Haber</u>, owner of Garden State Computing, he has attended three meetings and was our program speaker two weeks ago.

**GUESTS:** In addition to prospective member Victor who was with us last week, Jenn brought her friend and co-worker Anna to last week's meeting. Anna is a past Rotarian and has two young daughters.

**PATTY'S PRESIDENTIAL NOTES:** Patty noted the increase of members coming to meetings each week and thanked all who have been participating in our fellowship.

PROGRAM AND VIP SCHEDULE: Today, March 9 - Caroline Verkaik ?; March 16 Business Meeting; March 24 - open; March 30 -Jay Wanczyk; April 4 - Lester Wolfson; April 13 - Cary Adler; April 20- Business Meeting. Please let Dave Baker and Patty Odenbrett know who will be your speaker and what topic will be covered. Thanks! Patty also asked that each member think about being on the <u>Board of Directors</u>. "We need to know who is interested and has the time to dedicate to a once-a-month meeting on the second Wednesday of each month. You must want to help make decisions about how we run our club and how we spend our money. Our next Club President, Charlene, will need to have an idea of who is interested and willing."

Please read the weekly email from District Governor Shelby <u>Rhodes</u>. It has information that you need to know. For those of you who are in an officer position or moving into one on our board, there is mandatory <u>PETS</u> training for Presidents and Secretaries coming up.

If you don't know how to get on our on-line portal <u>Club</u> <u>Runner</u>, please call or speak to Herb Hamilton. **HAPPY/SAD DOLLARS:** Doug H\$ Grains of Hope (March 19 & 20) @ PV School is "sold out," they will likely be setting up a separate food packing for the Ukraine and they are looking to pack 100,000 meals in April or May. Ernie S\$ For sitting in the same spot; Cosimo S2\$ He shaved his winter growth three weeks earlier this spring and now his face is colder and Ernie does not look better any better; Frank S5\$ "Now he can see Cosimo's face" Caroline H\$?; Avery 3H\$ She was happy to be back; Victor H\$ Caroline's upcoming trip, he's already signed up for the riverbank/community cleanup; Kathleen S\$ For the Ukraine, H\$ "Just because."

Jenn H\$ Her guest Anna is here today, she is helping with her girls Girl Scout cookies distribution; Anna H\$ For having lunch with a bunch of nice people; Shrey H\$ He is officially the father of a teenage daughter, H\$ For all we are doing; Jay S\$ For the plight of the Ukrainian people, H\$ For seeing the steeple of the First Reformed Church of Pompton Plains lit in the Ukrainian flag colors; Patty O H\$ For the support for the Ukrainian people and all of the sunflowers for the Ukraine; Jim Cramer a US dollar for the Ukrainian people and an "interesting dollar" as the Ukrainian government was following the State of New Jersey on Facebook. (Note: NJ has the fourth largest community of people of Ukrainian heritage in the US, Gift of Life, pre-pandemic held its annual dinners at the Ukrainian Center in Parsippany.)

## **PV ROTARY & COMMUNITY ACTIVITY CALENDAR:**

TOMORROW: March 10 - Lincoln Park Centennial Celebration Gala - @ The Cosmopolitan - For tickets, contact Janet Cassidy at jcassidy@bolp.org or see Lincoln Park Rec. website

March 19 & 20 - The next Grains of Hope Food Packing will be @ PV Middle School. On-line registration to begin on 2/15 or thereabouts. Info: GOH Website or Doug.

April 9 - Pequannock Township Mayor's Community Clean-up Day - Help Melissa clean up the town - she can't do it without us! Wear your "Rotary at Work" shirts!

April 22 - 24 - Rotary District Conference, Hershey, PA. Herb noted that the district is promoting it. For details: https://www.rotaryathershey2022.org/

September 9 - PV ROTARY CHARITY GOLF OUTING - The date has been confirmed by Doug.

## **PROGRAM: ROTARY PEACE SCHOLARS: SHREY SHAH: Shrey**

volunteered to present a timely program on the Rotary Peace Scholarship Program. Each year, Rotary International awards up to 130 fully funded fellowships for dedicated leaders from around the world to study at one of our peace centers. Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards up to 50 fellowships for master's degrees and 80 for certificate studies at premier universities. Through academic training, practice, and global networking opportunities, the Rotary Peace Centers program develops the capacity of peace and development professionals to

become effective catalysts for peace. The fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation, and internship and field-study expenses. Since the program began in 2002, the Rotary Peace Centers have trained more than 1,500 fellows who now work in over 115 countries. Many serve as leaders in governments, NGOs, education and research institutions, peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies, and international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank. Link to video: Click on photo >>>



**PRESIDENT PATTY:** Patty closed with her traditional reflection, "If people ask for help, please say yes more often. Please enjoy today, live life to its fullest as tomorrow is not promised. Be kind to people even if they are not kind to you. ### WJW



Doug H\$ The online Grains of Hope gift of life registration was 75% sold out on the first two days! Herb H\$ Cramer is still in one piece, S\$ For the passing of Dwayne Okken; Kathleen 2\$ For Wayne Okun, he was good people; Victor H\$ He's already signed up for the Riverbank cleaning; Shrey H\$ For Cosimo and for a "generic weekend" (?); Jen S-K \$10 Remembering Dwayne; Jim \$ Remembering Dwane; Caroline 2\$ Remembering Dwayne and she was also sad that some have backed out of her Kenya trip due to Covid - "They are afraid of life." Cary H\$ Krispy Kreme has a new "Twix" doughnut, ensuring the future prosperity of Spa 23; Ernie 2H\$ Robbin is back; Jay \$2, Remembering Dwayne and his family and he was happy for the first in-person Irish American writers meeting since covid. Patty O had a very sad dollar for Dwayne.