

The

# Axle Grease



Rotary's First Lady President

Jennifer Jones

Rotary International President for 2022-23

Rotary club of Winsor-Roseland, ON, Canada

President's theme for 2022-23: "Imagine Rotary"

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This Week's program notes by Mike Rush



April 18, 2023



Carol Black

Carol Black presented a message that began with hate-inducing trauma which later became a message of love and support. She is a retired licensed audiologist, and she was present in the Tree Of Life Synagogue in Pittsburg the morning of October 27, 2018, when a shooter began murdering people who were praying at Saturday morning services. She heard what she soon determined to be automatic gun fire, and she saved her life by hiding in a dark closet. There were 22 people in the synagogue that morning, and half of them were murdered before the shooter was stopped by first responders. (The trial, after many delays, is scheduled to begin with jury selection on April 24.) After the event Carol soon went back to work as it was therapeutic for her to help other people with their hearing problems. After all, that was her occupation. She also went back to services again as she felt her brother, Dr. Richard Gottfried, one of the victims of the shooting would have wanted her to do so. There were actually three congregations praying that day, and all three lost innocent people to the shooter. Carol acknowledged that she had survivor's guilt, and that she had difficulty sleeping for several months, always hearing gun shots. She found a trauma counselor who offered a great deal of help to Carol. As a result of the shooting some new organizations have arisen, 2 of which are the 10/27 Healing Partnership, and the Pittsburgh Families Bridging Kindness. The latter reaches out to other communities that are victims of hate and violence. Carol is involved in both of these organizations along with others. Carol was appreciative of the Pittsburgh Muslim community for raising half a million dollars to pay all funeral and burial expenses of the victims along with helping with transportation and housing expenses for travel of families of the victims. Carol reminded us that Jews constitute just 0.2% of the U.S. population, but they are victims of 55% of hate crimes. Anti Semitism is real, and it is up to each of us to speak out against injustice for all victims of hate and intolerance. A documentary that is available now on HBO is "A Tree Of Life: The Pittsburgh Synagogue Shooting." Another, *Repairing the World: Lessons from the Tree Of Life* has not yet been released.

We thank Carol for sharing her message of resilience and the hope for a better future for all of us. And we thank her family for their support of her efforts to share this tragedy with as many people as possible, so that one day this type of thing will end forever.

## This Week

A signup sheet has been made up for the businesses who participated in last year's Rotary Auction. Please select that business you will personally contact to ask for a donations for this year's auction. It will be available each week. Your contact is appreciated.

(Happy birthday, Michelle Hively)

**Invocation:** Kent Turnbow. Our attendance today was 22 members. Besides our guest speaker, our guests were: the speaker's husband **Bob**, and cousins **Rich and Judy Weitzman**. **Announcements:** President **Derek Hively** reminded the membership of our commitment to help **clean up Camp Whitley** before the start of their camping season. The date is April 29, at Camp Whitley from 10-2 p.m. **Derek** commented that so far, only he and wife **Michelle** have signed up, so let's plan on helping out that Saturday. Bring rakes, shovels and implements of destruction, and meet at the camp at 10 a.m. **Michelle Hively** mentioned that our **Annual Auction** will be online and the donor list is already out there with the list of the donors from years past. You can pick your favorite business to call on for a donation. Then enter that info into the online list. It's an "edit-as-you-go" situation. **First Fridays preparations:** **John Meier and Q** are working on an awning and Rotary banner for use not only for the First Fridays celebrations, but future events as well. We hope to **generate public awareness** about Rotary and all that we do for the community. We'll need knowledgeable people to man the booth for an hour or so and answer questions about Rotary. Here's your chance to be a club ambassador for the community work we do. **50/50 Drawing:** Lucky ticket holders were **Todd Lybarger and Dick Buchanan**. That's as far as their luck went however. The Queen lives for another week. **Songs:** **Trevor Kelley and Mike Rush** led us in singing "Give My Regards to Broadway," and "Roll Rotary." **Sergeant-at-Arms:** **Tom Bartrom** fined **Mike Rush's** guests for knowing Mike and coming to our meeting anyway. Mike's cousin Rich Weitzman was asked to tell a few yarns about Mike and

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"The best way to cheer yourself up is to cheer somebody else up.".....*Mark Twain*

## Club Meeting Calendar

If you can't fulfill your assignment, please find a substitute

Date	Speaker	Set-Up	Sergeant	Greeter
April 25, 2023	Mark Parker Vexillology (flags) of the revolution and civil war	Jon Rowe	Matt Boyd	Steve Linvill
May 2, 2023	TBA	Deb Roy	Nick Brewer	Todd Lybarger
May 9, 2023	TBA	Mike Rush	Dick Buchanan	Doug McKibbon

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after Rich began a brilliant dissertation on choice memories of Michael Rush, Mike paid Two Dollars for him to be quiet. Tom Bartrom fined himself \$20 for not being as active in our club as he should have been these past few months. However, Tom was dutiful in administering to his Sergeant's duties this particular day and fined those who, in the past, have shirked those same duties. Good job Tom.

## Humor



Michelle Hively April 18

Happy Birthday, Michelle

Rotary

Anniversaries

Steve Linvill 45 years

## Assigned Duties

**Sgt.-At-Arms** - Fines people for anything personifying the true Rotary spirit, in jest, and with no malice. Also solicits money if anyone is happy about a personal subject. (They're called Happy Dollars). They pay to tell us about it.

**Set-up** - Arrives 30 minutes before meeting (Adaptable to our current location with a little imagination.)

- A) sets up name badge case.
- B) Moves podium into place
- C) Distributes song books and extra chairs.
- D) places placemats and song books.

**Finds a substitute if unable to be there.**

**Greeter** - Arrives 20 minutes before meeting, and be prepared to:

- A) Greet members as they arrive.
- B) Assist in finding member's name badge, if needed.
- C) Welcomes guest and notifies president.
- D) Finds a prayer and song leader and tells the president.
- E) Finds a substitute if unable to be there.

### Officers for 2022-23

President- Derek Hively

President-Elect - Lindsey Grossnickle

Secretary- Todd Lybarger

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## The Rotary 4-Way Test Of the things we say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and better friendships?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

*Rotary Mantra: If it is to be..... It's up to me.*