



July 16, 2019

### **Rotary Vision:**

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.

Our meeting began in the usual way with President Jeff Balzer leading in the Pledge of Allegiance, God Bless America, and our invocation by *Edward Kraus*.

### **Sergeant at Arms Report:**

Mark Barnhart reported <u>31</u> of our <u>63</u> members were in attendance and <u>1</u> guest.

### **Announcements:**

- Looking for speaker chairs beginning in November Continuing. If you are interested, please see Ed
  Kraus or send him an email.
- The annual Greensburg Rotary Club family picnic will be held August 13 at Twin Lakes Park.
- The Greensburg Rotary Club will officially be participating in the annual Back to School Bash on August 17 hosted by the Salvation Army.
- Looking for Rotarians to step up and sign up for Invocations. A sign-up form will be sent to your e-mail along with the flash letter.
- The Rotary Club of Greensburg will be hosting our Eleventh Annual Rotary Scholarship Golf Outing held on Friday, September 20, 2019 at the Latrobe Elks Golf Club. We have an exciting new format that will produce some of the most exciting and competitive golf you will play this summer. After golf, we have an incredible dinner catered by Rizzo's Malabar Inn. The winners and skill prizes will be awarded after the dinner. A Chinese auction and 50/50 will also be available.

# Joke of the Week with Jeff Balzer:

- What concert costs 45 cent?
  - 50 Cent and Nickleback.
- Did you hear about the two antennas that got married?
  - The ceremony was nice but the reception was amazing

### **Wisdom of the Week:**

"When you are a leader, your job is to have all the questions. You have to be incredibly comfortable looking like the dumbest person in the room. Every conversation you have about a decision, a proposal, or a piece of market information has to be filled with you saying, "What if?" and "Why not?" and "How come?"

Jack Welch

### **Speakers:**

**Richard Gazarik** has worked as a journalist in western Pennsylvania for more than four decades. He is a former award-winning investigative reporter who has written about government, judicial and corporate corruption.

He also has written extensively on the terrorist bombing of Pan Am Flight over Lockerbie, Scotland, the terrorist attack on United Flight 93 on Sept. 11, 2001 and the rescue of the Quecreek miners in 2002.

He is the author of Black Valley: The Life and Death of Fannie Sellins published in 2011, Prohibition Pittsburgh published in 2017 and the upcoming Wicked Pittsburgh and The Mayor of Shantytown scheduled for publication in 2018.

Muckraking journalist Walter Liggett dubbed Pittsburgh the "Metropolis of Corruption" in 1930 when he reported the city had more vice per square foot than New York, Detroit, Cleveland or Boston. Decades earlier, the Magee-Flinn political machine ruled public officials, and crooked police helped racketeers protect brothels and gambling dens. Mayor (later Governor) David Lawrence was indicted several times for graft but acquitted each time. Even Pittsburgh Steelers founder Art Rooney Sr. colluded with gangsters, according to FBI reports. Join author Richard Gazarik as he reveals the wicked history of the Steel City.



# **Dates to Remember:**

- Our Lady of Grace Food Pantry Distribution First Saturday of every month
- Operation Fresh Express July 22, 2019 Church of Jesus Christ World Operations Center 3:00 PM

Our meeting ended in the usual way with the Four Way Test.

Respectfully submitted by,

"The Great Dictator"



