



ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH BETHESDA
 Meeting on Fridays @ 7:30 AM
 Contact us at nbrotary.org
January 2022



UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Date	Speaker	Topic
January 7 Marriott/Zoom	Nick Martinez	3-Minute Speaker
	Carmela Carr & Kevin Flynn	NBRC Charitable Foundation: An Update
January 14 Zoom Only	Bob Sonawane	3-Minute Speaker
	Wayne Rohauer	Golf Courses Around Our County
January 21 Marriott/Zoom	Victoria Feldman	3-Minute Speaker
	Minh Q. Le	FINRA: The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority
January 28 Zoom Only	Manjiri Rose	3-Minute Speaker
	Paul Arveson	Solar Thermal Cooking

*Meetings on 1st and 3rd Fridays are at the Bethesda Marriott & on Zoom
 5151 Pooks Hill Rd, Bethesda, MD 20814
 Meetings on 2nd, 4th (& 5th) Fridays are on Zoom Only --7:15 AM to 7:30 AM Mix and Mingle*

JANUARY MILESTONES

	Event	Date
Dan Moore	Birthday	January 4



Successful Christmas Ornament Sales

Thanks to all for supporting our annual White House Christmas ornament sales. Ornament coordinator **Rob Follit** reports that nearly all of the ornaments were sold, including a few at the annual Holiday party at Normandie Farm Restaurant. Our club has sold White House ornaments for more than 15 years; some club members and relatives have amassed a considerable collection. The fundraiser generates nearly \$1000 in funds for our Rotary Charitable Foundation of North Bethesda. Thanks, Rob!

SPEAKERS – January 7, 2022 (Marriott/Zoom)

NBRC Charitable Foundation: An Update

Carmela Carr and Kevin Flynn



Carmela currently serves as President of the Rotary Charitable Foundation of North Bethesda. She will hold this post until December 2022 when she will gleefully turn it over to Nick Martinez. Carmela has been a Rotarian since 1996. The first club she joined was in South Carolina, after “bellying up to the bar” with a Rotarian. She joined the NBRC in 2010.

Carmela currently works for NCI Information Systems, Inc., in Reston, VA, as a Principal Subcontracts Administrator. Previously she worked as a Subcontracts Administrator for GDIT, CSRA, SRA International and SENTECH, Inc. Her first career was in Higher Education, where she worked as a Resident Director and Assistant Director of Union Activities at Michigan State University and then as the Assistant Director for Student Activities and Director of the Student Union at the University of South Carolina.

She lives with her dog, Chico, in North Bethesda.



Kevin, currently serving as Treasurer of our Club Foundation, joined North Bethesda Rotary in 1992, sponsored by Charter Member Tas Tousimis. Tas was editor of the club bulletin, and came in every week to Kevin & Betsy’s printshop on Nebel Street to get copies. He persuaded Kevin to visit the club at the Waters Catering location across the street. Kevin eagerly became a member, and served as president in 1998. He fondly recalls attending the Rotary International Convention in Indianapolis in 1997, which allowed him to visit his alma mater at Notre Dame in northern Indiana.

Kevin graduated from Notre Dame in the late 1960s, and later got a Master’s degree in Communication from Stanford. In addition to owning the printshop, he has worked at a variety of nonprofit organizations in Washington and Montgomery County. In 2000, he joined his wife Betsy at the Department of the Interior in Washington, where he worked on educational and public affairs projects, including the Departmental website. Now retired, Kevin and Betsy have three children and two grandchildren and love to spend time on Maryland’s Eastern Shore. He has participated in countless North Bethesda Rotary fundraisers, from wine tasting and silent auctions to bike tours and this year’s Community Health Challenge.



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

SPEAKER – January 14, 2022 (Zoom Only)**Golf Courses Around Our County**

**Wayne Rohauer, Director of Operations,
Montgomery County Revenue Authority**



Wayne Rohauer's golf profession has spanned over 25 years. He is currently the Director of Operations with Montgomery County Revenue Authority, Rockville, MD, which operates 9 daily fee golf courses. Prior to joining Montgomery County Revenue Authority in 2007, he served as a General Manager/Regional Manager for both private country clubs and daily fee courses with the Arnold Palmer Golf Management Company, Century Golf and American Golf Corporation. Before joining the golf profession he held the positions of General Manager and Regional Manager in the hotel industry, mostly located in the Midwest for over 20 years.

SPEAKER – January 21, 2022 (Marriott/Zoom)**FINRA: The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority**

Minh Q. Le, Director in FINRA's Corporate Financing Department



Minh Q. Le is a Director in FINRA's Corporate Financing Department with over 25 years of experience in the regulation of public and private offerings. Currently, Mr. Le manages the Department's Private Placement Review program which conducts regulatory oversight of broker-dealer participation in retail private offerings. In addition to overseeing the review and investigation program, Minh's duties include developing policy and providing guidance on corporate financing, investment banking and other capital-raising related issues. He also is responsible for providing subject matter expertise to FINRA's Examination and Enforcement staffs and on occasion testimony for hearings and regulatory proceedings. For the past 20 years, he has been a member of FINRA's Sales Rep and DPP/REIT Qualifications committees which are responsible for developing test questions for brokerage licenses. Prior to his current functions, Minh managed the Department's Public Offerings Review program, which is responsible for regulating underwriting terms and arrangements in public offerings. He graduated from the University of Maryland, attended the Wharton Institute of Executive Education, and is a Certified Regulatory and Compliance Professional.

SPEAKER – January 28, 2022 (Zoom Only)

Solar Thermal Cooking

Paul Arveson



Paul has a BS in Physics and an MS in and Computer Systems Management. He served as a civilian employee in the Navy, where he conducted research projects in acoustics and oceanography. Later he worked as a technology contractor for various government agencies. In 1998 Paul co-founded a strategic management consulting firm.

Paul has always had an interest in energy and environmental issues. In his retirement, he decided to focus his efforts in solar cookers, which is not a crowded field. He joined a small local nonprofit called Solar Household Energy, which has been developing solar cookers and managing field projects for over 20 years all around the world. Paul's work has focused on the more technical aspects of solar cooker testing and research. This work has expanded his awareness of the needs of cooks (who are mostly women) to have better alternatives. Paul joined North Bethesda Rotary Club in 2017 and currently serves to support the zoom meetings and videos of their weekly meetings.

PRESENTATION OF PROCEEDS FROM 2021 COMMUNITY HEALTH CHALLENGE FUNDRAISER



Continuing NB Rotary's tradition from 2020, The NB Rotary Charitable Foundation, MobileMed and Mercy Health Clinic collaborated to create and sponsor our Club's annual signature fundraiser: the 2021 **Community Health Challenge**. Proceeds from this event are divided equally between the three sponsoring charities.

In this photo, Rotary President Nick Martinez and Kevin Flynn, NB Rotary's Fundraiser Coordinator, present a check to Michele Levy for MobileMed's share of the proceeds at our Club meeting on December 17th. We'll be doing a similar presentation in January with Denise Fredericks and Mercy Health Clinic.

Mercy Health Clinic and the NB Rotary Charitable Foundation will receive checks for the same amount. This year, Adventist Health Care also lent their support.

Working with Kevin to make this year's fundraiser a success were Denise Fredericks, NB Rotarian Michele Levy of MobileMed and NB Rotarians Carmela Carr, Christine Syversen, Steve Vaccarezza, Bob Sonawane, Ron Sigelman, and John Waterston.

MEMORIES FROM THIS YEAR'S NB ROTARY HOLIDAY BRUNCH AT NORMANDIE FARM

This year's annual Holiday Brunch was held on Saturday, December 11 at Normandie Farm Restaurant in Potomac, MD. The Madrigal Singers are from Walter Johnson High School and gave a great performance, and Santa had gifts for all the kids in attendance. Victoria Feldman and her daughter made and installed the decorations.



NORTH BETHESDA ROTARY'S NEW ROTARIANS!



Our membership committee has been busy! In September, we inducted **Michele Levy** of MobileMed in Montgomery County (left) and **Mana Rose** of NHTAC/Growth Partners in Florida (above) as new members of the Rotary Club of North Bethesda. At our October 29 meeting, we welcomed **Dr. Sam Goldberg** and his wife **Patricia**. Congratulations to the new members! We're delighted to welcome you into the Rotary family!

UPCOMING EVENTS: Rotary District 7620

District 7620's Four Way Test Speech Contest

From the earliest days, Rotary has been concerned with promoting high ethical standards. One of the world's most widely quoted statements is Rotary's 4-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor. Every year Rotary District 7620, along with Rotary districts around the world, sponsors high school 4-Way Test speech contests. The purpose of the speech is to persuade others while applying the principles of the Rotary 4-Way Test. The goal is for students to make the world a better place, to practice the virtues of critical thinking and ethical decision making, to develop public speaking and leadership skills to positively influence and inspire others regarding an issue that they find passionate.

2022 Contest Information

TIMELINE

- *January 2022: Club members and Interact mentors recruit students*
- *January 2022: Students without school mentor support will be assigned to a Rotarian or Rotaractor*
- *Before March 25: Clubs hold their own selection competitions if desired*
- *March 25: Club Participation forms are due including the \$200 fee per student*
- *March 25: Student Application forms are due*
- *April 9: Semi-Final Contest will be held live at Glen Burnie High School: 830 a.m. If the situation is not conducive to meeting in person, we will have a virtual competition.*
- *April 30: Final Contest (To be judged by conference attendees).*

<https://rotary7620.org/four-way-test-speech-contest/>

THE ROTARY 4-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say, or do:

Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH BETHESDA 2021-2022 OFFICERS

President	Nick Martinez	
Vice President	Carmela Carr	
Treasurer	Steve Vaccarezza	
Secretary	Linda Berg-Cross	
President-Elect	Steve Vaccarezza	
Club Administration Director	TBD	Chairs the Club Administration committee which is responsible for performing the logistical tasks related to club meetings.
Club Service Director	Victoria Feldman	Chairs the Service Projects committee which is responsible for planning and carrying out successful service projects which focus on Rotary's Areas of Service.
Membership Directors	Ron Sigelman Bob Sonawane	Chairs the Membership committee which is developing and implementing an action plan to attract and engage members.
Public Relations Director	John Waterston	Chairs the Public Relations (PR) committee which is responsible for developing and implementing a plan to create awareness of club activities and projects among club members, media, and the community.