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ROTARY FOUR-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?



NORTH BETHESDA ROTARY CLUB

Oakville Grille
10257 Old Georgetown Rd.
Bethesda, MD 20814



Fridays @ 7:30 AM
(7:15 AM to 7:30 AM Mix and Mingle)
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September 14, 2018

Date	3 Minute Speaker	Speaker	Topic
9/14/18	Tas Tousimis	Kevin Flynn	Rivers and Trails 50th Anniversary
9/21	Steve Vaccarezza	Michael Durso, MCPS Board of Education	The 2018-2019 School Year
9/28	John Waterston	Barry Thompson	Rotary District Future Vision Grants

September Milestones

September 17: Linda Berg-Cross's Birthday

September 19: Kent & Ruth Ann Mason's Anniversary

September 23: Linda's Spouse (Gary) Birthday

September 24: Carmela Carr's Birthday

SEPTEMBER THEME: BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY

- 750 MILLION PEOPLE ARE ILLITERATE
- 250 MILLION CHILDREN DO NOT HAVE BASIC READING SKILLS
- LESS THAN 75% OF PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS ARE TRAINED
- THE ROTARY FOUNDATION SUPPORTS LITERACY PROGRAMS WORLDWIDE

A Worldly Perspective

Our speaker last week was **Michael E. O'Hanlon**, Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution and Director of Research at the Center for 21st Century Security and Intelligence at Brookings.



Mr. O'Hanlon specializes in U.S. defense strategy, the use of military force, and American national security policy. He gave a fascinating extemporaneous talk about NATO, Russia, Syria, and cyberspace.

A prolific author, O'Hanlon has written close to a dozen books, hundreds of op-ed articles, and many research and professional publications. He described the thesis of one of his papers, "Beyond NATO: A New Security Architecture for Eastern Europe.

O'Hanlon argues that now is the time for Western nations to negotiate a new security architecture for neutral countries in eastern Europe to stabilize the region and reduce the risks of war with Russia. He believes NATO expansion has gone far enough. The core concept of this new security architecture would be one of permanent neutrality. The countries in question collectively make a broken-up arc, from Europe's far north to its south: Finland and Sweden; Ukraine, Moldova, and Belarus; Georgia, Armenia, and Azerbaijan; and finally Cyprus plus Serbia, as well as possibly several other Balkan states. Discussion on the new framework should begin within NATO, followed by deliberation with the neutral countries themselves, and then formal negotiations with Russia.

Thanks to **Jim Manley** for arranging such a fascinating talk!



BE THE INSPIRATION

Rotary's Theme for 2018-2019

50 Years of Rivers and Trails



Today's presentation by **Kevin Flynn** will describe the 50th anniversary of two national programs: National Trails and Wild and Scenic Rivers.



NB Rotary Friendship Dinner

We had a nice turnout for our latest Fellowship Dinner last week at The Mykonos Greek Restaurant in Rockville. It was the first of this Rotary year. More dinners are planned...Thanks to **Joe DiPietro** for organizing!



Dave's Golf Academy

This week's golf lesson was cancelled due to the weather... However, Dave Fitzwilliam has at least four more sessions planned! The next sessions are set for

- **Thursday, September 20**
- **Thursday, September 27**
- **Wednesday, October 3**
- **Thursday, October 4**

All lessons take place at the Falls Road Golf Course in Potomac. Contact Dave for details..please let him know if you are planning to attend!