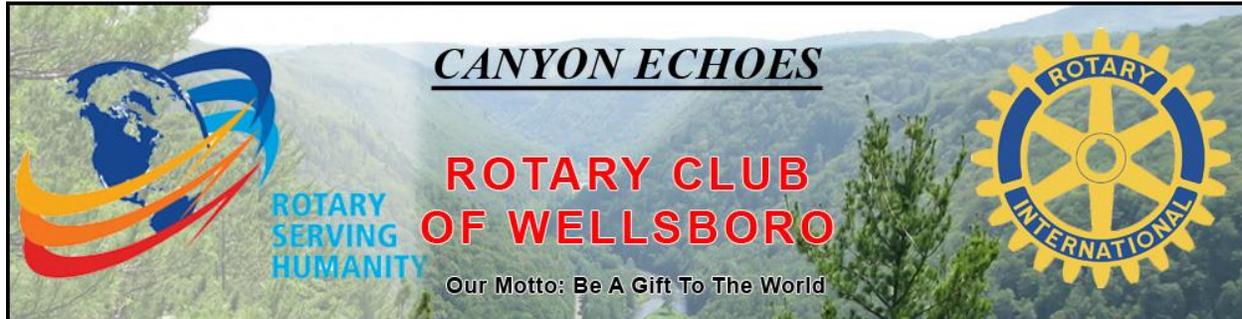


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PROGRAM: PLANNING IN TIOGA COUNTY, AN UPDATE

Mike Hummel introduced our speaker, Kerry Miller, Director of the County Planning Office, noting her Alma Mater of Susquehanna University and her Master's Degree from Penn State. Kerry's presentation was an overview of the duties, progress, and what lies ahead for the Tioga County Planning Office and Planning Commission. Her concerns as County Planner are implementation of the County Comprehensive Plan and other projects, operating the planning department, preparing the department operations budget, reviewing (and approving or denying) applications for subdivision and land development, and administering the County Farmland Preservation Program. She also works with and serves on the Pennsylvania Wilds Regional Planning Team as well as other state and regional environmental and development organizations.

She spoke about the upcoming revised Comprehensive Plan Draft, a revision mandated by law on a ten years cycle, which will be ready for public comment and input in January.

Her office also works with the PA Dept. of Agriculture and other departments concerning the PA Clean and Green program.

Kerry invited anyone to come visit her office or call with questions, comments, complaints, ideas, and just about any constructive input; she's ready to listen. When asked how many projects she wants to accomplish, she enthusiastically said "10!" - one at a time.

FYI, our members **Mike Hummel** and **Bill Yacovissi** serve on the Tioga County Planning Commission; each spoke highly of their working relationship with Kerry.



CLUB NEWS January 8, 2016

President **Mike Hummel** chaired today's meeting.

Mike Birbeck offered the invocation

We sang "God Bless America" accompanied by **Pat Davis** on piano.



At the beginning of the meeting, representatives of Wellsboro Post 84 of the American Legion, Commander Ed Wilson and Adjutant Randy Emory, presented our club with a check for \$250 to assist us in obtaining a trailer to carry the American Flags to and from storage before and after their public display along Main Street in Wellsboro.

Guests:

Ed Wilson

Randy Emory

FE Student Report

Yvesan Yu told us about his week which included enjoying Dickens of a Christmas with fellow Exchange Students sponsored by the various Rotary Clubs of District 7410. The students gathered and stayed for the weekend at **Nicole Quezada's** home. Yvesan said they all particularly liked Dunkin Donuts.

Richard Black added that 11 Foreign Exchange Students in the district attended a lot of Dickens related local activities and made some of their own while staying, over the Dickens weekend, with **Nicole Quezada** in her home on Charleston Rd.

Secretary's Report

Jim Tutak gave a preliminary Club Rifle Raffle report estimating a \$2500 net profit this year. When President **Mike Hummel** commended him for a job well done (with plenty of applause from members present), **Jim** said many deserved credit, naming **Web Webster**, **Matt Baker**, and **Jim Paxson** for selling 25% of all tickets. **Jim** will produce a full report by the end of the month.

Jim reminded members that the program next week presented by Christina R. VanDergrift would concern cold weather coat collection for donation to county folks with need.

Teri Carson gave us an update on the annual club-sponsored Foster Children's Banquet to be held next Wednesday, December 14th, at the PennWells Hotel. This year there we expect 25 children to attend and 35 Rotarians and guests. Gift buying has been completed. The hotel will provide craft activities for the children. We'll begin gathering at 5:30 PM; dinner will be served at 6 PM. Santa will come at 6:45; and the evening festivities will end at 7:45.

Richard Black said the Club Christmas Card photograph would be taken at the Foster Children's Dinner. Donations from club members' participation in this club program will go to the Wellsboro Food Pantry and the local Red Cross.

Craig West reminded members that in two weeks our program will be at the Arcadia Theater after lunch - the WHS Chorus singing seasonal and holiday songs.

SAA - Fines and Happy Bucks: SAA **Tim McBride** collected.

"Barrel \$\$\$-Guess" was won by **Dave Tews**. **Bob DeCamp** was fined for being seen trying to get in a car "not-his-own" in front of the Post Office. He had driven there in his truck. Happy Bucks: Carol Druck was happy to brag about her niece who recorded a duet singing "Forever Tonight" and it's getting quite a bit of play on *Spotify*; **Gary Wolfe** is happy he will be doing a presentation at a Rotary Club in Colorado next week; **Caleb Williams** is happy to have had a successful weekend during Dickens. **Matt Baker** is happy his office is giving away small calendars and notepads for the holidays.

We sang #42, "Jingle Bells" with **Pat Davis** accompanying on the piano.

This month the **50/50** goes to the Wellsboro Chamber of Commerce... the winner of the drawing today was **Jim Tutak** with **Craig West** spinning the Wheel.