



Selinsgrove Area Rotary Club

Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Rotary Newsletter

Next Meeting Reminder – February 29: Donna Shuck, Host – Snyder County Commissioners, Joe Kantz and Chuck Steininger will discuss Faylor Lake

February 22, 2024: 17 Rotarians and 1 guest (Ellen Lazur) met at Bright Farms, and split up into two groups to tour the operations at Bright Farms. After putting on our hairnets and shoe covers we toured the live operations of the 280,000 square foot hydroponic greenhouse where they grow a variety of lettuce and herbs. Actually more than 2 million pounds are produced per year. Though not a certified organic facility, they grow their greens in the most natural way without the use of any pesticides, insecticides, herbicides or fungicides.



They continue to make modifications and upgrades to their facilities and production line, to maximize their production and reduce costs. They are currently in the process of upgrading their lighting system; investing more than a million dollars. Bright Farms has 15 products that includes, four types of salad kits, variety of spinach, romaine, spring mix and basil to name a few. They also have production locations, not only in PA, but also in OH, IL, VA, NH, and NC.

It was a very interesting and fascinating tour to see the operation from germination to packaging to shipping. For more information go to: www.brightfarms.com
Special thanks to Toby for arranging this off-site adventure.

Announcements: N/A

Sergeant-at-Arms: N/A

Future Programs: PLEASE SECURE YOUR SPEAKER AND LET CAROL KNOW WHO IT WILL BE VIA EMAIL. IF A PROJECTOR IS REQUIRED CALL ISABELLA'S PRIOR TO THE PRESENTER'S DATE. 570-374-0255

March 7 – Jared Roush – Lana Gulden and Glenn Moyer from Save Our Susquehanna

March 14 – Lucy Corbin – Dr. Corbin will be presenting on the non-profit, Hearing the Call, Brazil – Central PA.

March 21 – Cheryl Stumpf – QPR Suicide Gatekeeper Training Session from **6-8PM at the REC**

March 28 – Gary Gonsar - Dr. Frank Jankowski, SASD Superintendent

Future Events:

August 8 – 4th Annual Wheels in the Grove

Birthdays:

February: 3 Toby Skinner; 5 Carol Handlan, 22 Raven Rudnitsky

March: 8 Courtney Hanes, 13 Kelly Feiler, 15 Mary Peterhaensel, 31 Ken Miller

Quotation: "For every minute you are angry, you lose sixty seconds of happiness" - Unknown