

**Rotary Club of Olympia**  
**The Wheel**  
**Date: 02/10/25**

**Today's Program:** Kathy Baros Friedt - Local Support for Immigrants and Refugees

**Meeting Called to order:** President Corrina @ 12:27pm

**Pledge of Allegiance led by:** Bill Lahmann

**Four Way Test led by:** David Brooks

**Visiting Rotarians:**

John Swannak - West Olympia Rotary

David Brooks -

**Guest of Rotarians:**

Several guests joined us today.

**Announcements:**

**Cool Jazz, Clean Water** - Corey Gauny - The net income for the event was just over \$23,000. \$17,000+ in sponsorships and another \$4,000-\$7,000 in wine sales. You can visit Oly Wines in East Olympia to buy the club's private label wine to continue to support clean water project from our Rotary district.

Al Harris 25th Anniversary Paul Harris Dinner - AG David Brooks invited club members to the annual Paul Harris Dinner. It is the 25th anniversary of the event. Paper registration forms are available, if needed. To register online go to: [www.paulharrisdinner.com](http://www.paulharrisdinner.com) For every member who is in attendance, you will get 100 Paul Harris points toward your next Paul Harris level. The date this year is March 20. The venue is Indian Summer Golf & Country Club.

**Happy Bucks:**

**Hunter Sipe** - he and his wife Carly will welcome their first child, a daughter, in June 2025.

**Amanda V** - happy that her family has all recovered from a variety of illnesses over the last several months. Last week her son served as a page in the Washington State Legislature. Her husband has been on duty with NATO in Kosovo, she hasn't seen him in 5 months. They will soon meet in London.

**Mickey Holden-Cooper** - her daughter had a successful birth last Friday.

**Program:** Kathy Baros Friedt - Local Support for Immigrants and Refugees

**Sarah Clinton** introduced Kathy Baros Friedt. Kathy has been involved in local non-profit organizations for more than two decades. Sarah shared a bit about getting to know Kathy and how the topic will touch on several areas within our community. Kathy describes herself as a long time social justice advocate. She joined us today to talk about current local efforts to support immigrants and refugees.

Kathy shared her experiences working with the Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network and other state and local organizations that are focused on providing education and support to immigrants and refugees. Some of the work that these organizations focus on is educating individuals, both immigrants/refugees and citizens about immigrant rights. She left several pamphlets and information with guidelines, information, and contact information.

Kathy took several questions from club members.

The meeting was recorded, if you would like to see the recording, please contact President Corrina.

**Mr. Snappy:** Kristen Taylor won a \$30 gift certificate to Dockside Bistro.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 1:19 pm by President Corrina.