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Kevin Brown introduced the speaker, **Daniel Gibson**, the founding Headmaster of Columbus Classical Academy (CCA). Daniel is a native of Wooster. Prior to joining CCA, Daniel was a partner at the law firm of Bricker & Eckler LLP in Columbus, where he was a litigator and appellate lawyer for more than 15 years. He also served as an Associate Director at the Hudson Institute in Washington, D.C. immediately following graduation from law school. Daniel earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy, cum laude, from Davidson College, where he was a track and field star, and he also earned a Juris Doctorate from Stanford Law School.

Some details about CCA that Daniel covered, in part derived from CCA's website, so that your editor does not have to do a lot of unproductive re-typing: CCA is a private classical school in central Ohio, opening in Fall 2023, and initially serving grades K-8, adding a grade each year through grade twelve. CCA is a Hillsdale College Curriculum School. CCA does not take any government funding.

The mission of CCA is to inculcate in their students, through a genuine and rigorous classical education in the liberal arts and sciences, the knowledge and virtue upon which independent, responsible, and joyful lives are built, in the firm belief that such lives are the foundation of a free and flourishing republic.

CCA's campus is located at 2000 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, OH 43240. The campus comprises roughly 60,000 square feet of space on a beautifully maintained and highly accessible 6+ acre property. This campus was made possible by the generous support of multiple donors who provided favorable financing terms as well as the extraordinary assistance of a number of professionals who gave freely of their time and expertise.

CCA describes its methodology as including the following:

Teacher led classrooms: Dan discussed how modern education emphasizes what is often called "child-centered" learning. CCA agrees that students are the object of a proper education and that the purpose of teaching is to ensure that each student masters the material and develops the personal discipline that gives rise to knowledge and virtue. This requires teachers who are attentive to the unique strengths and weaknesses of their students and who are adept at imparting knowledge to every child in their classroom, without compromising either curricular rigor or pedagogical soundness. Historically, this was not always the case in American schools.

However, as CCA sees it, too often today, "child-centered" learning makes students not only the object, but also the subject and the author of their own education, where the primary purpose of teaching is no longer to impart true knowledge and virtue but rather is to come alongside students on their own, unique path of "self-discovery" and "self-expression." CCA believes that this approach, like the harsh indifference of some traditional schooling before it, is an abdication of the teacher's obligation to lead all of her students to a knowledge and love of what is true and good and beautiful.

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GREETERS

July 18
Jay Babbitt
Brian Bainbridge

July 25
Leonard Quick
Joe Berwanger

August 1
Rick Barth
Cameron Box

REGISTRATION DESK

July 18
Rick Barth
Tom Westfall

July 25
Jim Winfree
Dave Shelby

August 1
John Cleland

CALENDAR

July 18- Scioto CC/Zoom
Joshua Doran, Executive Director of Veteran Companion Animal Services (VCAS)
Host: Ua Chamberlain

July 25- Scioto CC/Zoom
Chris Vineis – Founder and President of Families Against Social Media Addiction
Host: Jessica Grisez

August 1- Scioto CC/Zoom
Vista Village
Host: Ned Clark

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OUR NEXT MEETING

JULY 18TH
Scioto Country Club/Zoom

Upper Arlington
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Primary sources in physical books: Books have always been the main source of knowledge and wisdom in the human experience. CCA believes children should read the greatest books ever written. To that end, CCA prioritizes books over experience, utilizes primary sources whenever possible, and uses textbooks that convey knowledge, rather than another's interpretation of history. CCA says that it wants to return to the source and engage with the original author himself so that,

through question and discussion, the student can join the great conversation.

Developing the whole person through mastering our core virtues: CCA believes in the strength and enduring truth of the 7 classical virtues. To this end, CCA emphasizes mastery of the traditional 7 virtues and trust in their formative influence: prudence, justice, temperance, fortitude, faith, hope, charity.

THE MEETING



Andy Livingston opened the meeting, which was held in person at Scioto Country Club and also via Zoom.

Connie Aschinger provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Sandra Cotter introduced her guest **Sue Coady**, who was also a visiting Rotarian from the Dublin-Worthington Club. There were no other visiting Rotarians.

NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:



Andy Livingston announced approval by the Club board of grants for three charitable organizations: \$5,000 to We Are Linden, to provide incentives for the academic performance of 5th graders, \$2,500 to Homes for Families, and 2 grants for Natun Guatemala, one of which was \$10,000 to allow the purchase of a pick-up truck.

Andy thanked the new board members who participated in the meeting.

Andy also noted that December 12 has been set as the date for the Club's holiday celebration at Scioto Country Club.



Joe Valentino thanked the Club members who helped with Special Olympics during the July 4 parade.

Jack Siebert announced the birth of his new grandchild.

Debbie Johnson congratulated **Chip Knoop** for his status as a Paul Harris Fellow +8, for his support of Rotary International Foundation.

SORTING OUT WHERE TO CONTRIBUTE

Where do your contributions go? There are three main organizations where we as Upper Arlington Rotarians direct our Rotary giving. Sometimes it can be confusing, so here is something to hopefully help keep things straight.

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