



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450

John Kenny, International President 2009-2010

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This Week's Program: January 28, 2010
Chester County Library System
Speaker: John Vendetta
Arranged by Victoria Dow

Next Week's Program: February 4, 2010
Wendell August Forge
Speaker: Will Knecht
Arranged by Dave Biffen

MINUTES by Sue Casso Rogers

President Dave called the meeting to order at 12:35. The invocation was delivered by **Frank Helms** with a Prayer for Haiti.

Our visiting Rotarian was Bob Kane from the Longwood Rotary Club. Visitors were Kim Tiger with **Bryan Brockson**, Erin Brown interning with **Michele Parent**, Sue Greenberg with **Dave Biffen**, Greg Halvorsen with **Chuck Swope**, Scott Schaffer was introduced as was Jessie Glassman (editor apologizes for some missed content).

President Dave announced that Rotary International is supporting efforts for help to Haitian earthquake victims and our club will support the Rotary International efforts.

Happy Birthday wishes from **Bob Frame** to **John Olszewski**, **John Schwab** to **Stuart Brooks**, **Jeannie McGinn** to **Bill Ronayne**, **Bill Ronayne** to **Sue Carr**, **Don Stonestrom** to **Bob Poole**, **Pam Costanzi** to **John Schwab**.

Terry McGrath asked everyone to bring canned foods for the Salvation Army next week. **Michele Parent** followed up with the "Needs and Leads" Career Enhancement program by passing around papers for anyone to fill out who might have a job opening or a need for a job. The Career Enhancement group meets the third Tuesday of the month at 9:00 in Michele's office.

Classification Talk

Our Rotarian, **Terry Weber**, is the 3rd of 6 children and grew up in Maple Glen, PA. She attended Upper Dublin High School, and Indiana University of PA graduating with a degree in Business and Marketing. Now as a parent, Terry said she realizes the importance of the good parenting she received as a child.

Terry married her husband, Phil, whom she met after college, in 1983. Phil joined the Marine Corp

and the newly married couple moved to Quantico, VA and then onto Camp Pendleton where Terry took a job in Sales Administration for an electronics company. In 1986 they headed back to Pennsylvania and on to Richmond, VA and Fishkill, NY following Phil's career with Pepsi. Along the way, their 3 sons were born - Greg, Matt and Scott. Greg is 23 and a student at Temple. Matt, 21, also at Temple, will be spending a semester in Rome. Scott, a senior at East, is 18. Husband, Phil, is now with Copart, an auto salvage and virtual auction company.

The family has lived in East Goshen for 15 years. While her sons were young, Terry enjoyed being a stay-at-home Mom volunteering at schools, boy scouts, and Little League. In 1998 she decided to go back to work and joined the Wealth Management division of First National Bank of Chester County and realized how much she missed working. Her successful career at FNBCC took her into the Trust Administration Department where she handled a mature client base with their estates, guardianships, trusts and a variety of tasks. Terry feels she has visited almost every senior community in the area while tending to her clients needs. Terry has recently turned in her resignation at FNBCC deciding she needed a change. She is looking forward to finding out "what color is her parachute" and perhaps a new opportunity.

Terry is on the Board of the Senior Center in West Chester where she met many Rotarians. When introduced to Rotary she felt it was a good fit with her interest in service, which, she says, gives a good feeling and she has met many good people through Rotary.

Terry, we are sure you are one of the "good people" and we are happy to have you in our Rotary Club .

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Matt Bradley

.It's that time of year again . . . time to SELL FRUIT !! The annual Fruit Sale is our club's second largest fund raiser, netting approximately \$10,000 each year to benefit a charitable organization. This year we have the unique opportunity to benefit two organizations that are providing humanitarian services in our community: The Barn at Spring Brook Farm (serving children with disabilities and life-threatening illnesses) and the West Chester Food Cupboard.

Mary Beth Drobish, the founder and executive director of The Barn, says that they are "privileged and honored" to have been selected and are ready to join us in selling fruit. Mary Beth founded The Barn in 2006 as a way of bringing children and animals together. Last year they served 600 children with a staff of four and a pool of hundreds of volunteers. There are currently 23 animals for children to interact with. Mary Beth shared heart-warming stories that made clear the impact that these experiences have on the children who come to The Barn. Every dollar raised through the Fruit Sale will go directly toward this summer's camp program. For more information: <http://www.springbrook-farm.org/>

Our club is very aware of hunger and nutrition issues in our community. With that in mind, patrons of the Fruit Sale now have the opportunity to purchase fruit that will be delivered to the West Chester Food Cupboard (<http://www.westchesterfoodcupboard.org/>) The order form has spaces to indicate such donations.

A deep freeze in Florida this season has caused a slight price increase. There is one printing error on the forms: cases of grapefruit contain about 32 pieces, and half-cases hold about 18. Online ordering is also available through the club web site: www.westchesterrotary.us

Many thanks to **Cristina Combee** and **Elizabeth Guman**, co-chairs again this year, for their creative planning and energy. Let's make this year's sale another success . . . Sell Fruit!

SAVE THE DATE

Feb 11 Board Meeting 7:30 AM
Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at <http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>
Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

NEW MEMBERS

The following persons have been proposed for membership and have indicated their desire to become members:

Christine Wildaur: Classification: Business – Florist, Owner Lorgus Flower Shop.
Sponsor: **Katie Walker**

Rabbi Sue Greenberg: Classification: Religion – Chaplain, Chaplain - Jewish Family and Children's Services.
Sponsor: **Dave Biffen**

If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary within ten (10) days of this notice a date will be set for their inductions.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Amedea Garella – Italy
Host Parents: Dave Breen and Cyndi Skripak
229 Forest Avenue Elkins Park, PA 19027
Home: 215-885-5195 Cyndi: 215-316-1431

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