



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450

Ray Klingensmith, International President 2010-2011

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This Week's Program: July 29, 2010

**Speaker: Scott Bohn,
Chief of Police WC Borough
Arranged by Sheriff Bunny**

Next Week's Program: August 5, 2010

**Speaker: Daniel Kutner,
Consulate General of Israel
Arranged by Bert Volger**

MINUTES by Sue Casso Rogers

President Bill rang the bell at 12:33 and **Bob Poole** delivered the invocation. We had 3 visiting Rotarians - **Bill Walsh** from Sunrise, **Bill Grimm** from Ardmore and, our own **John Saling** from Sunrise. Guests included **C.J. Romanowski** and **Dr. John Hall** with **Dave Biffen**, **Jennifer Corrigan** who is officially in the pipeline for membership, and **Patty Biffen**, **Dave's** wife, who was introduced by **Ken Hickman** as it appears that **Dave** forgot to introduce her!! Uh-oh....

Jack Wintermute wished Happy Birthday to **Pete Thompson** and **Charles Streitwieser** gave birthday wishes to **Steve Quigley**.

Katie Decker asked for a Happy Buck from **Jack Wintermute** who received a hug (the rest is probably better left unsaid), **Sue Casso Rogers** was happy to have had some good Rotary golf fellowship with hubby, **Bob**, and **Marjorie Wentz** and her husband, **Charlie** and also with **Craig Kalemjian** and **Jim Gasho** as a result of our Rotary auctions. **Jim** shot an impressive 75 and insisted that the foursome "tipple a few" to celebrate. Speaking of our auctions, **Sue** announced that the recent auction raised close to \$3700.00. **Winnie Stroup** was happy to have recently celebrated a birthday with her soon-to-be-adopted daughter.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Marjorie Wentz

Dave Biffen introduced **Dr. John Hall** to give the "real introduction", trying desperately not to get into any more trouble after forgetting to introduce his wife. **Dr. John Hall** introduced **Dr. Juanita Richardson** covering her considerable education and community involvement. **Dr. Richardson** was present to discuss **The Community School**

Movement, a topic about which she is very passionate.

Dr. Richardson began by pointing out how important public education is to all of us. Whether directly or indirectly, we are all affected by the public education system. There is a great diversity of students in the public system, which provides significant challenges for the teachers and administrators. The kids are impacted by all the systems that surround them (family, community, schools, etc) and **Dr. Richardson** is convinced that **The Community School** is the best way to meet the needs of these children. The concept behind **The Community School** is providing comprehensive education, health and community interaction. The school should be there to meet the needs of the community, not vice versa.

James Adams Community School in **Coatesville** was the subject of **Dr. Richardson's** book. Her grandparents had been involved in the school from the start and she attended the school as a child. The information in the book is collaborated by documents, public records and interviews. It paints a picture of what life was like at **James Adams** and how successful this African American school was in integrating the community with the students.

Dr. Richardson presented her model for the **Highly Effective Community School**. The model consists of three important factors:

Leadership – This part of the model includes **Structural, Political, Human Relations** and **Symbolic leadership**.

Partnership – The community families, businesses and educators must work together to develop structure and process.

Organizational Development – **Programming** and **capacity** are the important factors.

When this model works it benefits both the

students and the community. It is important to constantly evaluate the progress and make changes to adjust to what works and what doesn't. Dr. Richardson summed up her presentation by giving The Community School the Four Way Rotary Test:

1. Is it True – yes.
2. Is it Fair – yes.
3. Does it promote goodwill and friendships – absolutely.
4. Will it benefit all concerned – absolutely, positively!

Mayor **Carolyn Comitta** thanked Dr. Richardson for her presentation and tied together **Dr. Bob Poole's** beautiful invocation to her presentation.

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided today by **Tricia Johnston** of Daily Local News

NEW MEMBER

The following person has been proposed for membership and has indicated her desire to become a member:

Jennifer Corrigan, First Niagara Bank;
Classification - Business Banking
Sponsored by **Katie Walker**

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

GUNDAKER FOUNDATION

I would like to thank the following members for their generous contributions to the Gundaker Foundation, they include **Carol Hanson, Donald Stonestrom, Charles Swope, Shauna Yeldell, Cathy Palmquist, Winifred Stroup** and **Bruce Beadle**. Our club raised over \$650 for the foundation over the last two weeks and this will go a long way to helping us meet last year's fundraising goal of \$64.5K. - Jim Smith

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Amedea Garella – Italy

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SAVE THE DATE

Oct 10 Chili Cook-Off
Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at <http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>
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