



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

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This Week's Program: November 7, 2002

**Speaker from
West Chester University
Arranged by Madeleine Adler**

Next Week's Program: November 14, 2002

**Speaker: Sue Casso
Rotary Foundation
Arranged by Sue Casso**

HALLOWEEN MINUTES by Victoria Dow

President Carl started the meeting off at 12:30, or so. Jeff Sommer played us through My Country Tis of Thee. This was followed by a great invocation from Steve Devine.

Visiting Rotarians were: John Saling (Greater WC Sunrise) and Sallu Miller (Skyline @ Alexandria, VA)

A number of Rotarians brought guests, some to be inducted into the club today: Demetrius Cidis (his lovely wife), Carol Metzker, Deborah Ellenburg, Rich Kaufmann, Scott Scrivner, Steve Karp, Joe Peta, and Domenic Carnuccio. There was only one birthday to celebrate: Jack Wintermuth, in his usual inimitable style, wished Bob Schwan many happy returns.

In today's announcements: Scott Scrivner brought copies of a publication on long term care. Ken Hickman is seeking volunteers to help at Brian's Run (Dec. 8) – registration desk on 12/7 and 12/8, Rich Kaufmann needs people to help distribute posters and applications, and Lil George could use help promoting the event at other clubs. Please contact them if you can help. John Olszewski is still accepting fruit sale recipient nominations. Joe Polito, standing in for Gary Hewitt, reminded everyone that the Veterans Day Parade in West Chester is Sunday, November 10. Terry McGrath handed out official "Keep America Beautiful" patches to road-clean-up crew members: Steve Karp, Jack Wintermuth, Vernon Brewer, Rich Yoder, Joe Polito, Bill Winters, and our exchange student Gustavo.

The Pot o' Gold was won by Bill Ronayne, who did not find the needed Queen.

Pres Carl's Comments – Rotary Foundation month starts tomorrow, November 1, please look for your foundation information with your name badge. President Carl noted that our club has a lot

of charitable commitments for this year, so pace yourself in your giving.

Sue Casso gave us another moment for mission, reprinted at the end of this Votary.

Inductions – Mel Josephs led us in another of her fine induction ceremonies. Sponsors introduced their candidates: Steve Karp and Wesley Firkin, Carol Metzker and Marie Holland, Sue Casso and Tom Spackman, Joe Peta and Judith Ray, and Jeff Sommer and Deborah Ellenburg. In her talk Mel noted that our lives are determined by our choices; they determine the results we get. She welcomed our newest members and told them that if they participate in Rotary and live by the vision of service above self, they will get great results. Rotary is international and some of our best successes are at the community level.

SPEAKERS' REVIEW by Fran Luft

Today's program featured classification talks by two of our most important members Mike Steinberger and Fred Kemmerly.

Mike Steinberger is employed by the 1st National Bank of Chester County. His wife's name is Michelle. They have three sons ages 12 and 11 (twins). Mike considers himself a family man. Mike has been a commercial banker for 23 years - employed at several banks. he has also been a member of 3 different Rotary Clubs since 1996. Mike is the President of Paoli Battlefield Preservation Fund. He is big brother for a 7th grade boy. He serves as a scout leader, and served on the staff of the National Scout Jamboree. He is also a Republican Committee Member. If you are wondering how Mike has time for all his community service he states Life Is For Living! This past summer Mike and his family hiked in Vermont and rode roller coasters in VA. Baseball is a favorite of Mike's. He took his sons to the midwest where they enjoyed watching baseball at Wrigley Field, Field of Dreams (Iowa),

Minnesota, and Cleveland. He regrets not competing the work required to attain the Eagle Scout award and not serving in the armed services of the country. He holds veterans in high esteem. Mike is honored to be in the Rotary Club of West Chester.

Fred Kemmerly has been in the banking business for 35-38 years. The loss of his job in 1991 left Fred confused, and without self-confidence. After reading and soul searching he discovered that finding one's talents helped him achieve success in other avenues. Personal development is a great achievement. Fred discovered that people who struggle financially may have problems with family relationships-finding financial security is a challenge for many individuals. Throughout the years, Fred learned that jobs are short-term solutions to long term financial problems, jobs do not supply income most people need. One of Fred's goals is to help people develop additional income. Fred is employed by Quick Start Inc. He is an independent business owner. Fred thinks that life is exciting, significant, worth living, - he wants to help people develop financial security and talents. Fred wants to touch the lives of thousands of people. Welcome to Rotary and thank you Mike and Fred for informative classification talks. The best programs come from our very own members.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Gustavo Giacomini - Palhoca, Brazil

Hosts: James and Linda Hicks

1072 Glenn Hall Rd. Kennett Square, PA 19348
610-347-2134

Unionville High School

Future host families are needed.

Please contact Joe Polito or Linda Hicks.

ROAMING ROTARIAN

Trish Kotsay -- Rotary Club of Key West Florida

GUNDAKER UNDERGRADUATE GRANTS

The Gundaker Foundation is offering several one-year grants for the 2003-2004 school year. Any candidate must be a full-time student who will be in his or her junior or senior year and enrolled in an undergraduate program in any college or university in District 7450, or be a resident of our district and enrolled in a school elsewhere. Qualifications for these grants include high academic achievement, a record of leadership in school, community or other settings, and evidence of involvement in giving service to others. Financial need may also be a consideration. Applicants may not be a Rotarian or a close relative of any individual who is or has been a Rotarian within the preceding 2 years. Please contact Gary Hess for an application.

MOMENT FOR MISSION

As mentioned two weeks ago, District 7450 is collectively endeavoring to do great things through our Gundaker Foundation, The Rotary Foundation of RI, and, during the next three years, the Polio Eradication Campaign. To truly appreciate purpose and rationale, your club should schedule at least one meeting program for each of these worthwhile efforts. Our purpose here is to examine their combined financial impact.

Our district goal for The Annual Programs of The Rotary Foundation is \$240,000. Our three-year district goal for the Polio Eradication Campaign is \$400,000 (\$133,000 per year). With a district of 2174 members, and the added needs of our fine Gundaker Foundation, a per capita gift of \$217.57 would be required for this Rotary Year. Of course, Gundaker has its silent auction, and Phillie's night helps to support The Rotary Foundation goal. Nevertheless, your district leadership is convinced that, for many reasons, the annual gifts of Rotarians should be supplemented by outside funds. Next week: *You will receive your invitation to personally support The Rotary Foundation.*

IN MEMORY

Paul Rodebaugh November 1, 2002
Memorial Service Sat. Nov. 9 10 AM
WC Friends Meeting 425 N. High St.

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Nov. 10 Veteran's Day Parade

Nov. 14 Board Meeting

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