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ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

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This Week's Program: February 19, 2004
Chester County Hospice
Heidi Owen & Jake the Therapy Dog
Arranged by Dave Rayburn

Next Week's Program: February 26, 2004
Speaker: Jack Grant, District Governor
Arranged by Steve Quigley

MINUTES by Faith Woodward

President Charles opened the meeting.

Joe DellaVecchia led a moment of silence in memory of Msgr. Thomas Craven.

Annalie Lorgus announced that the correct date for the spaghetti dinner is February 20. She and Joe Polito described their proposed benefit for the W C Public Library called the "West Chester Dream Make-over." Tickets will cost \$10/each for a drawing for a make-over including an appointment at La Difference, fashions, shoes, jewelry, a limo ride to a progressive dinner, a night at Broadlawns, and possibly entertainment. A silent auction will also be held on April 23.

Jack Wintermute, Finemaster, fined Geoff Baker for the dog on Jack's table (you had to be there).

Penny Boyle introduced Visiting Rotarians Daryl Tuno (Lionville), John Saling (Sunrise), Joe Kahn (WE-GO), Tim Walsh (Kennett), and Frank Roia (WE-GO).

Two guests were introduced, Peter Bowers with Mark Sammarone and daughter Grace Kelly with Shannon Cassidy.

Birthday greetings were extended to Adrienne Masak by Bill Winters, Howard Johns by Michelle Venema, Carl Werner by Linda Hicks, and Fran Luft by Victoria Dow.

The winning 50-50 ticket was won by someone who had already departed and bequeathed the \$ to charity.

President Charles announced that the nomination for Governor of District 7450 for 2006-2007 is Marty Phillips. The nominating committee consisted of Jeff Cadorette, Tom McCarthy, Lou Beccaria, Dave Ellis, and Duane

McCarthy.

Gary Hess reminded all that tickets for Rotary Night at the Theatre are for "Sweet Charity" on May 14. Tickets are available until March 1.

Geoff Baker announced that he still had one orange from last year... The winning fruit-selling teams for last week are: 3rd place - Baker's Dozen, 2nd place - Cwinging Citrus Cix, and 1st Place - High Flying Kiwis.

Bob Frame auctioned 2 tickets from President Charles (?) to the Flyers for \$56/each. Terry McGrath purchased them and his team will be credited for fruit sales.

Mike Alfonsi was awarded "Rotarian of the Month" for January. He has developed a new member experience program which garnered 25 attendees at the first dinner, performed a community needs assessment, and has been a diligent Sergeant at Arms.

SPEAKERS REVIEW

by Steve Karp

This week our program was classification talks. First up was Seamus Lavin, a 29 year old stone faced young attorney. Seamus grew up in our very backyard here in West Chester. He attended West Chester East High School and Loyola College in Baltimore. Seamus was personally touched when he lost a close friend in the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center. He got involved with others in creating and funding a scholarship in honor of his friend. After Seamus graduated Law School he interned with the very capable Joe Polito. Under Joes' guidance, Seamus learned that he loves being in the courthouse and is now pursuing a career as a trial lawyer. He is still learning to balance his life

with his career and loves being involved with a wonderful organization that gives so back so much to the community and the world.

An effervescent **Whitney Collins** took the stage and in a Jeopardy style presentation told us all about her life and times. Whitney is pregnant with her and her husband, Dave Marshall's first child (another future Rotarian) due April 12th. Whitney is from the Lehigh Valley area where she attended Freedom High school. She went to Lafayette College for undergrad and received an MBA from Lehigh University. A job transfer brought her to West Chester when she was working as a computer consultant. She cut her teeth while doing marketing for The Franklin Mint. Whitney ran the retail Internet and catalogue department. She is very involved in outside organizations such as a board member of the Greater West Chester Chamber, Chester County Women, and the Business Improvement District of West Chester. She is now the owner of Ashley Whitney a great boutique on Market Street in the borough of West Chester.

FRUIT SALE

Don't forget, buy fruit and give it away to your employees. Even if you do not want to sell fruit, at least buy a case for YOURSELF! Weekly stats can be seen on the rotary web site at:

<http://www.westchesterrotary.com/images/fruitcart020704.jpg>. Don't forget, donations are always welcome. Send donations, payable to the Greater West Chester Rotary Foundation (Tax Deductible) to the club at PO Box 743, West Chester, PA 19381.

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SAVE THE DATE

February 20-22nd - [RYLA Conference - Valley Forge Freedoms Foundation](#)

February 20th - [Celebrate Family in Rotary Spaghetti Dinner](#)

February 28th - [District Committee Training Wyndam Hotel in Wayne 8 AM until Noon](#)

March 5th - [Deadline for Fruit Sale orders and payment](#)

March 13th - [Pickup Date for Fruit \(snow date 3/20\)](#)

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Sachie Koizumi, from Japan
Host family: Mr & Mrs Jay Johnson
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MEETING ON MARCH 18

Westtown School is pleased to host the Rotary meeting on Thursday, March 18, at the regular time. Lunch is \$9 as usual. The meeting and lunch will be held in the Dining Room in the Main Building

Directions: Two PennDot bridges are closed. The stone bridge on Westtown Road and the "singing" bridge on Route 926 near Westtown Road.

Coming from West Chester, take Route 3 east to Westtown Way. Turn right on Westtown Way. The next left is Walnut Hill Road. Follow Walnut Hill to the stop sign and turn right into the school entrance. There is a parking lot on the right. There will be signs on campus directing you to the Main Building, a 3-floor, large, red brick building.

Visit the website www.westtown.edu for information about the School, including maps and directions. If you have any questions, please contact Ceil Guetter at ceil.guetter@westtown.edu or 610/399-7920

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