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ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

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This Week's Program May 6, 2004

Speaker: David Allen

Topic: Five Generations of Hot Air Ballooning

Arranged by: Dave Rayburn

Next Week's Program: May 12, 2004

Speaker: Sachie Koizumi

Student Exchange

Arranged by: Adrienne Masak

MINUTES by Fran Luft

Bob Schwan gave an enjoyable invocation entitled "What is a Grandparent" and "The Value Of A Smile".

Penny Boyd announced the name of the lone visiting Rotarian- V.J. Theodorides.

The guests included a friend of **Steve Godsall-Myers** who is going into missionary work, Denise Dunkly, Mary Tousant, Rick Dunlap, Cheistine Lear, and Tom Olbrich. Happy bucks were received from the following individuals: **President Charles** for the three awards given at the District Leadership Ball- **Joe Polito** received the district Service Award, **Gary Hewitt** received the Rotary Foundation Service Award and the entire club helped in receiving the Presidential Citation. **Lee McFadden**, coach of the WCU Men's Lacrosse team donated money because the team beat Princeton 7-6 and has qualified for the final four NCII National Championship in Annapolis, Maryland. **Shelly Venema** gave money in honor of First National Banks annual mtg. **Dave Biffen** gave money for **Vernon Brewer's** tee shirt, **Joe Dellavecchia** donated money in honor of his seventh grandchild and **Joe Polito** donated money as he had attended the awards banquet for St. Joes.

Jack Wintermute announced that Rotary Night at the Blue Rocks is June 3rd. The game starts at 7:05 P.M. the cost is \$30.00. Mayor **Dick Yoder** announced that the 5th R. Sturzebecker golf outing to support scholarships for students in health sciences will be held May 13th at the Kennett County Club.

Steve Karp announced that money can be donated for the Race For the Cure to support research to eradicate breast cancer. **Clint Wiggins** volunteered as Steve demonstrated the

proper way a self breast exam should be performed.

The 50/50 ticket was pulled by **Clint Wiggins** - the winner **Ray Deering**.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Elizabeth Guman

This week's program was the President's Meeting given, of course, by our very own Charles Streitwieser. Charles explained as he started his year of presidency, he was struck by the national statistic that within 3 years of joining we lose 45% of new Rotarians. His goal was to examine the experience of a new member in our club and see what we could do to create a positive experience to help minimize our drop out rate. So he put together the "new member experience task force" to study this and develop a recommended program. Phil Sacks then share with us about their recommendation.

The task force took a look at the experience a new member has in our club during the first year. They decided to create a more structured experience for the new person, hoping to have the current committees work smarter and provide the new member with education and inclusion.

0 – 3 Months

- Assigned to a Buddy
- 4 weeks at Sign-In Table
- 4 weeks as a Greeter with the help of an "older" Club member
- Twice introduces visiting Rotarians

3 – 6 Months

- Twice sits at President's Table
- Attends a Club social event
- Participates in a Club Service project
- Reviews Club's Annual Report

with Mentor

- Attends a Club Board of Directors or a Gundaker Foundation meeting

6 – 9 Months

- Shares a lunch table with a Past President of the Club
- Reviews membership experience and Club "fit" with mentor (meeting to take place outside of Club meeting time)
- Completes a Classification Talk (if above meeting indicates a strong interest in continuing membership)

9 – 12 Months

- Serves as "buddy" for a new member
- Serves at a Rotary Information breakfast
- Visits another Rotary Club's meeting

The new program is going to pilot as soon as possible, using some of our existing new members. It will be evaluated and modified as we learn how well it meets the goal of offering new Rotarians a positive experience in our club.

ROTARY INFORMATION

Rotarian International May Magazine: When you go through the buffet line at your Rotary club meeting.....do you make healthful choices or do you load up your plate with whatever looks appetizing?.....read about four Rotarians success stories in the "HAPPY LOSERS"

TO ALL CLUBS

The District Assembly will be held on May 17, 2004 at the Delaware County Community College from 8 AM to 12:30. All Rotarians are invited. There will be breakout sessions for the Presidents Elect, the Club Secretaries and the Treasurers. Andrew has a great program planned.

See you there. -Jack Grant, District Governor

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Sachie Koizumi, from Japan
Host family: Mr & Mrs Jay Johnson
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SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 3

Celebrate National Hunger Awareness Day!
Meeting Location: Chester County Cares, 540 E. Union St., Suite L, West Chester -
Facilities for Rain or Shine
Time: 11:30-2:00

Tickets must be purchased by May 15 from Esther Brown or CCCares - \$7 lunch, \$3 donation for a CCCares client lunch.

SAVE THE DATE

May 14	District night at the Theatre
May 17	District Assembly
May 20	West Chester Community Night at the Blue Rocks
June 3	Rotary noon meeting at Chester County Cares 540 E. Union St. WC
June 3	WC Rotary at the Blue Rocks
June 21	District 7450 Golf Outing
June 28	Rotary/Lions Golf Outing
July 21	Rotary Night at the Phillies
Sept. 26	International Student Picnic @ West Chester University

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