



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

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**This Week's Program : June 26, 2003
Speaker: Charles Streitwieser
Induction**

**Next Week's Program: July 3, 2003
Mike Alfonsi and Bronwyn Martin
Classification Talks
Arranged by John Kehner**

MINUTES by Faith Woodward

President Carl opened our meeting and Mark Van Hacht gave the invocation.

Visiting Rotarians were introduced by Matt Bradley. They were: Eileen Schafer from Downingtown, Frank Roia and John Spellman from WEGO, and Joe Glas from Beaufort, SC.

John Schwab began introductions of guests with Josh Freed, Scot Scrivner introduced his daughter, Ashley, Shannon Cassidy her newly born daughter, Grace Kelly, Dave Rayburn presented Kathy Saunders and Whitney Collins, Joe Polito introduced Shamus, and Joe Peta, Chris Streios (?).

Joe Polito wished a Happy Birthday to Geoff Baker.

Charles Streitwieser announced that committee preferences were due now and he presented the Presidential Citation to President Carl and the club.

Sue Casso reminded us that Charles would be installed next week and we were all invited to the Presidential party at Broadlawns, June 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 for \$10/person. Bill Bunch announced that many of Paul Rodebaugh's possessions would be auctioned off Saturday, June 21. Scott Scrivner invited all to submit applications for the Chili Cook Off on Oct5.

First National Bank has already donated \$\$\$. Carol Metzker let us know that Gustavo is returning home to Brazil soon but still needs to get OUT OF THE HOUSE with openings on June 30, July 1 and 3. Terry McGrath cancelled the trash pick up for Saturday due to the rain! A substitute time will be set up.

The Pot of Gold ticket was drawn by Ashley Scrivner and Jeanne Oakes won once again. She gave her money to Joseph's People, the recipient group for the rest of the money. President's Corner-

We will be sponsoring ambassadorial scholar, Susan Johnson and need to escort her to a meeting in Philadelphia this Saturday at 1:30 PM.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Joanne Tadeo

Today was President Carl Werner's Farewell Speech to the Club. In his address to the Club today, President Carl indicated he planned to review the many accomplishments achieved by the membership over the past year, a year that passed very quickly. President Carl began with a few observations. Our

Club is the largest club in District 7450. Growth this past year has been outstanding with total membership approaching 150. Our Club is cordial, congenial and dynamic with new members bringing fresh ideas and enthusiasm. The role of this Club's President is different from smaller clubs. A club this size cannot be run by a single person or a single Board. Our Club's accomplishments are the result of a combined Club effort and President Carl recognized each Avenue's contributions and achievements.

Club Service Avenue – This avenue is chaired by Steve Quigley and consists of six committees. Program set up will be easier for Sergeant at Arms, Steve Karp, now that our Club owns new state-of-the-art audio visual equipment to include a VCR and DVD player. The Rotary Votary under the direction of Faith Woodward is now available via e-mail. Activities, organized by the Invocation Committee led by Kevin Quinn and Fellowship Committee led by Jack Wintermute, ran very smoothly. The Club benefited from the many excellent programs presented under the direction of Linda Hicks, Program Committee chair. Joseph Peta, headed the Sports Committee and led the Club to victory over the Lions.

Club Affairs Avenue – Charles Streitwieser chaired this avenue and was responsible for six committees. The Budget and Audit Committee headed by Bill Gotwals did a great job. The Club experienced a year of exceptional growth thanks to John Kehner, chair of Membership Development Committee. Rotary Information headed by Duke Evans guided a steady stream of new members. Jean Oakes and her Honorary Rotarians Committee made excellent selections this year. Kathy Palmquist as chair of PR/Publicity Committee delighted the Club with many great photos and the media coverage which she generated with those photos.

Vocational Service Avenue – John Hall began the year as avenue chair. John Schwab assumed this responsibility when John was not able to continue. Over the course of the year, this avenue was revamped. Bill Hess led the Leadership Development Committee, a committee dedicated to presenting young people with opportunities to gain exposure to leadership. This year's Rotary Leadership Institute was attended by several club members. The Career Awareness Committee originally led by John Hall, later

changed to John Stoddart, and the Vocational Development Committee headed by John Schwab had a great year and much was accomplished by these two committees.

Community Service Avenue – This avenue was chaired initially by Michelle Venema who resigned her duties due to a job change. Joanne Tadeo replaced Michelle. This Avenue consists of numerous committees. Under the umbrella of Human Development, much was accomplished by Ken Hickman who chaired Brian's Run and John Olszewski our fruit czar. In addition, the Bell ringing campaign led by Joanne Tadeo, the Food Drive headed by Terry McGrath and the Reading Program under the leadership of John Olszewski were quite successful. Once again, Terry McGrath and his crew accomplished the Road Clean Up despite the weather. The new Community Development Committee was chaired by Steve Godshall-Myers. Joe Polito chair of the new Partners in Service Committee worked successfully with other Rotary Clubs to select Good Will Fire Company as Rotary's Centennial Project. Lance Knauth chaired the Allocations and Scholarship Committee and many in the community benefited from the financial assistance provided by this committee.

International Service Avenue – Gary Hewitt chaired this avenue which was responsible for eye glass and stamp programs and drilling wells in Bangladesh. Youth Exchange Committee under the direction of Geoff Baker did an outstanding job of working with and placing this year's exchange student from Brazil. The club sponsored one out-going student, Ashley Hicks, who spent time in Japan. International Hospitality led by Mel Josephs hosted a successful International Student Picnic. Rotary Foundation Committee, co-chaired by Carol Hanson and Sue Casso, met a very ambitious goal. Charles Streitwieser as chair of Polio Eradication Committee in conjunction with Scott Scrivner put into place plans for the 1st Annual Chili Cookoff which will benefit the polio eradication program. The Gundaker Committee headed by Gary Hess did well even though the stock market was down for the third straight year making it much more difficult to raise funds this year. President Carl offered thanks to past presidents for their guidance and advice. Past presidents are a great resource and are always willing to provide assistance. President Carl also thanked board members and members of the allocations task force and long range planning task force established this year. The benefits of the long range planning task force have already been seen. The recommendations of the allocations task force will be developed under Charles Streitwieser's leadership. Several board members will be retiring from the board and President Carl thanked Jim Gasho and Amos Bassett. Amos was honored for his seventeen years of service as secretary of the board and a special tribute was made to Amos.

Amos Bassett, on behalf of the club, thanked

President Carl for all his efforts and presented him with a gift of appreciation and acknowledged Carl for exemplifying Rotary's service above self.

In conclusion, President Carl called attention to the two flags which he placed on display prior to beginning his speech. The message communicated by these flags, and recognized by those who have served in the Navy (Carl included), is shorthand for "Well Done".

Today President Carl wanted to fly these flags for the club for their job well done and he saluted the entire membership.

EDITOR: THANKS, JOANNE FOR HELPING OUT!

NEW MEMBERS

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

Christopher Feryo of Boyd's Funeral Home; Classification: Business Service-Funeral Director; proposed by Gary Hess

Stanford Zukin of Zukin Properties; Classification: Real Estate-Property Management; proposed by Bill Bunch

Written objections must be received by the Club Secretary within ten (10) days of this notice. Otherwise, a date will be set for their inductions.

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 26 – President's Party at Broadlawns

July 30 – Rotary Foundation Ball Game

Sept. 13 - Rotary of West Chester Day
at WCU Football - 1 p.m. kick-off

Sept. 14 - Rotary of West Chester/WCU
International Student Welcome
Picnic 5PM

Oct. 5 - Chili Cook-Off

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Gustavo Giacomini - Palhoca, Brazil

Hosts: Eric and Carol Metzker

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