



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

Glenn Estess, Sr., International President 2004-2005

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This Week's Program: August 26, 2004
Program with Youth
Junior Achievement
Arranged by Tim Phelps

Next Week's Program: September 2, 2004
Chester County Day
Annalie Lorgus
Arranged by Annalie Lorgus

MINUTES BY FAITH WOODWARD

President Steve opened the meeting and **Vic Adbala** gave the invocation, a prayer by Mother Theresa.

Mike Alfonsi introduced Visiting Rotarians Lou Gering (Exton/Frazer), Jack Randy (Newtown Square), Joe Kahn (WEGO), and John Saling (GWC Sunrise).

Phoebe Kitson-Davis introduced her guest Cristina Combee (soon to join our club), **Al Filano** introduced his wife Rita, **President Steve** welcomed Honorary Rotarian **Eddie Lewis**, **Scott Scrivner** introduced Jenny Bartholomew, Jerry Alfono, and Jeannie McGinn. **Howard**

Johns introduced Gwen Cole (?), **Andy Close** Adriana Correa, and **Adrienne Masak** introduced Francesca (our former German exchange student) and Alexander our new German exchange student as well as his host parents Mark and Ellen Moran.

President Steve invited Marie, Manager of the Elks club up front to tell her she was looking great after her heart attack in July.

District Governor, Andrew Pendleton presented **President Steve** with this year's banner "Celebrate Rotary".

Finemaster **Jack Wintermute** charged all those present \$.25 if not wearing a Rotary pin. He collected beacoup de dollars.

Sue Casso announced that Rotary shirts and sweatshirts were again available through her. The purchase form can be found on the web site.

Scott Scrivner was pleased to let us know that Morning Star Coffee will be a Platinum sponsor for the Chili Cook off. Chili logo shirts are available. Entries for various teams have begun to pour in. The deadline is fast

approaching.

Dominic Carnuccio asked for volunteers for the invocation each week,

Lee Bunting reminded all that the YMCA will be hosting a golf outing at Hershey Mills on September 20. Sponsors of \$200 are needed and a silent auction will be held.

President Steve announced two Rotarians of the Month, **Adrienne Masak** and **Bill Hess** in recognition of their part in helping Nick Su, our exchange student last year, by transporting him to and from therapy for his illness.

Past District Governor Jack Grant awarded the 7450 Service Awards at the Leadership Ball but recipient **Joe Polito** had been unable to receive it. Joe's service above self is an inspiration to all and District Governor Andrew Pendleton presented him with his award to the sounds of a standing ovation.

Jack Cording and **Faith Woodward** led us all in a rousing rendition of *R-O-T-A-R-Y*.

Exchange student Alexander pulled the winning 50-50 ticket for **Pete Thompson** but that elusive Queen of Spades was not found. The pot has grown to \$1,470!

Our meeting on August 26 will be held at the Elks rather than elsewhere as previously announced.

Amos Bassett is recuperating at Hickory House in Honeybrook from surgery. We wish him a speedy recovery.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Cathy Palmquist

Andrew Pendleton, new 7450 District Governor and a member of the Rotary Club of Phoenixville, has been active in Rotary Leadership, annual giving, Rotoract and has traveled to India with a national polio plus team.

Andrew brought greetings from the new Rotary International President, Glenn Estess. He commented he is pleased with the new international theme, *Celebrate Rotary*, because it gives us an opportunity for fun. "Drawing members together in friendship and fun allows us to meet great people and do more service," he said.

He commented how impressed he is by all that the West Chester Club members do and all we have planned for the upcoming year. But he cautioned us not to become overwhelmed. He then recounted the familiar story of the man walking along the shore and throwing starfish back into the sea. "Our intention in Rotary is to make a difference," he said, "and your club is certainly diligent in doing that."

He also urged Rotarians to read the Rotary magazine, go to the website and read more about President Glenn's plans and priorities for the next year, which will focus on clean water concerns, health, literacy and family. He gave a few statistics to support the choice of these priority areas.

President Glenn would also like to finish the Polio Plus campaign this year, significantly increase Rotary membership and increase contributions to Rotary Foundation to \$100 per member. He also urged members to consider attending the international conference in Chicago in June.

Closer to home, Andrew talked about the upcoming District Conference, which is looking for talent from among district members. He also noted that childcare will again be provided during the conference.

District goals this year are to urge every club to earn a Presidential Citation, to show a net increase in membership, to sponsor a student to RYLA (we plan to send two), to support the goals of President Glenn and provide 100 percent support of the Rotary Foundation by every member, regardless of the level of giving. He is also urging clubs to look at their diversity of members and would like to see 100 new Paul Harris Fellows district wide this year.

He concluded his remarks with the story of a professor who filled a jar first with rocks (to symbolize the most important things in life, like family), then pebbles, then sand and lastly with beer to illustrate to his students the need to prioritize things that are important in one's life. "You must take care of the rocks first, that's what matters most," he said. "You don't want to put sand in first, representing the least important priorities (like mowing the lawn or cleaning your

house) and fill up the jar with all the little things in your life."

NEW MEMBERS

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

Jenny Bartholomew, Classification: Business Service/Investment Counseling. Sponsored by Jeff Sommers.

Greg Radford, Classification: Professional-General/Architecture. Sponsored by Dick Yoder.

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.

SAVE THE DATE

Sept. 26	International Student Picnic @ West Chester University
Oct. 10	Chili Cook-Off
Nov.5-7	District Conference

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