



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester
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This Week's Program: August 17, 2006
District Governor's Address
Speaker: Marty Phillips, DG

Next Week's Program: August 24, 2006

MINUTES by Sue Casso

President Annalie Lorgus rang the bell promptly (if not even a little early). Her weekly joke involved golf with **Bob (Mark) Rogers (Casso)** and **Duke Evans**. Fortunately, **Sue Casso** did not get hit with a golf ball. **President Annalie** thanked the board for an excellent and productive Board Meeting this morning. Nice to know our board is hard at work and is diligent about their Rotary obligations - thank you!

President Annalie announced that she has forms for the 2007 RI Convention. She also ordered lanyards to hold our name badges. Visiting Rotarians included Tim Freed from East Aurora, NY who was later identified as **Ralph Freed's** son (didn't want to admit the relationship at first?) and Jim Horn from Kennett at Longwood (another escapee from the club where Annalie's mother is president?) Guests included **Mac Neilon's** daughter Allison who was curious to know what Rotarians do (good question!). **Gary Hewitt** introduced Kevin McCarthy (although lots of people might know a man named Kevin McCarthy, he claims to be the original) who is helping to recruit teams for the Chili Cook Off - way to go Kevin!! **Paul Woodruff** introduced **Noel Stanek** and **Sue Casso** introduced Conchetta Schiattarella - both in line for membership. **Joe Polito** introduced Steve Ballatta (sp?) who is visiting Rotary Clubs and Dave Connor from Citizens Bank who is being pressured to be a sponsor or a team for the Chili Cook Off. **Adrienne Masak Rozier** announced that she is getting ready to

welcome the new exchange students and is looking for people to join her at the airport when they arrive. **Alan Elko**, Superintendent of WCASD, invited all of us to an Open House at the new Bayard Rustin High School on Sept 9th. Building on last week's impromptu program on our membership, **President Annalie** announced the upcoming District Membership Seminar on Sept 16 from 8 - 2 p.m. We also now have postcards which can be sent to an individual inviting them to a Rotary meeting.

Happy Bucks were given by **President Annalie** for a Rotary Club in Cypress which took in refugees from Lebanon when the fighting began, by **Faith Woodward** who apologized for incorrectly identifying **Bob Rogers** as Mark Rogers in the Votary (Mark was a boyfriend of Faith's sister and Bob made a comment about dating Faith's sister which shocked Sue), **Joe Polito** wishing **Vic Abdala** well as he goes through the airport and for a joke about Catholics, by **Kristy Blake** for a new book on parenting, by Jack Cording for his wife's 62 wedding anniversary (to him!), and by **Duke Evans** for his 55th wedding anniversary.

Finally, we practiced singing R-O-T-A-R-Y in preparation for the District Governor's visit next week - where is **Sid Rabin** when we need him?! (author's note - saw Sid on the golf course recently and sends his regards to all). Keep practicing!

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Eric Metzker

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Today's action-packed double feature gave the inductions of Noel Stanek and Mark Bertrando top billing followed by the anchor team of Light The Night from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Induction of New Members

Emceeding the induction, Bob Rogers reminded us that four simple words capture the spirit of Rotary: Service, Fellowship, Ethics and Peace. These, he proposed, represent why we join Rotary.

No newcomer to Rotary, Noel served in the Pottsville Rotary Club from 1988 to 1999.

Introduced by her sponsor, Paul Woodruff, we found out that she also made the front page of the Pottsville newspaper by being the first female president of the club. Paul noted that Noel serves as President and founder of Kane Stanek Associates, a consulting practice located in Malvern specializing in fund raising, development, strategic planning and marketing for not-for-profits.

Well on our way to cornering the market on local high school principals, we were next treated to the introduction of Mark Bertrando, Principal of Henderson High School by none other than Rick Dunlap, Principal of East High School. Mark has already been involved with our Rotary club by helping to start the local Interact club.

Bob Rogers recounted the history of Rotary, starting as a business networking club which has grown into a dedicated Service Club. Bob encouraged us emulate the sponsors of these newest, most important Rotarians by following our two mottos – this year's theme of Lead the Way and of course the lasting Rotary motto of Service Above Self .

Light the Night – presented by the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

arranged by Dave Raeburn

After the briefest of intermissions, the club was treated to the inspirational story of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society who sponsors the fund-and-awareness-raising event called Light the Night. Leading the team was Deputy Executive Director

Julie Hyland followed by Gina Zotti who is the Campaign Coordinator for Light the Night and finally and most inspiringly, David Wolovitz, a neighbor from Glen Mills and a survivor.

Gina played an inspiring video illustrating what Light the Night is all about. Supporters carry red balloons with a small light inside during a gathering that takes the participants on a night-time walk to demonstrate the support for those afflicted with these diseases. Survivors carry white balloons and both give and receive inspiration that progress can and will be made against these terrible, fatal diseases. Gina introduced David Wolovitz as living proof that research dollars can make a difference.

David was diagnosed in 2001 and immediately started on chemotherapy. His blood count indicated that 82% of the counted cells were cancerous. After 6 months of the best treatment available at the time, David had lost 60 pounds and his count only increased to a dismal 89%. Faced with the reality of living only a couple of years longer, David chose to stop the therapy, repair some relationships and make some final memories.

After 6 months a new treatment was announced. This came from a doctor sponsored by the Society. The simplest way to comprehend the impact of this breakthrough is this statistic: before the treatment was available, 92% of children afflicted died. Now, 92% survive, a fantastic turnaround. David was among the adult success stories – after 1 year his count dropped to 0. He is now in remission and his one pill per day makes him 'good to go'.

Gina's contact information is 610-521-8274 or zottig@lls.org and website is www.lighthenight.org/epa.

The next event is on October 14th in Tredyfferin Township.

West Chester, PA 19380

CHILI COOK-OFF

Save the date, Sunday October 8th, 2006!
This will be the 4th Annual Chili Cook-off.
Registration for teams, vendors and sponsors
has started.

Sponsors so far are:

Platinum – Smaltz's Harley-Davidson, Inc
Gold- Jeff D'Ambrosio Auto Group
McGinn Marketing Works
Silver- Arthur Hall Insurance
Daily Local News
WhirlAway Travel & Cruises
Brandywine Valley Heating and
Air Conditioning, Inc.
Bronze- Founds Funeral Home
Phase 1 Electric, Inc
CCIL.org –Chester County
Interlink

SAVE THE DATE

Sept 16 District Membership Workshop
Oct 8 Chili Cook Off
Nov 18 Foundation Workshop

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided at our
meeting by WhirlAway Travel this month.

DUES

The annual dues are now due in the amount
of \$230.00. You may pay it in two payments
of \$115 each or in one payment of \$230.
President Annalie has put a self addressed
envelope in each of your annual reports. I
have attached an invoice for those of you who
need to submit one to your companies.

LATE FEES

As of September 1, 2006 there will be a late
fee attached to anyone's dues not paid of \$20
per month.

Please either hand me a check at a Rotary
Meeting or mail a check to:

Trish Kotsay
304 E. Marshall Street #742

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