



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester
Bill Boyd, International President 2006-2007

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This Week's Program: September 7, 2006
Speakers: Leah Volger and Karly Hicks
Overseas Experience
Arranged by Adrienne Masak-Rozier

Next Week's Program: September 14, 2006
Speaker: Gary Hewitt
Chili Cook-Off
Arranged by Gary Hewitt

MINUTES by Cathy Palmquist

President Annalie opened the meeting and called on Frank Reilly to give the invocation which was based on the words of a song by Merle Haggard. **President Annalie** continued with her tradition of telling a joke with a twist.

Guests included Pat Barron of Concordville; John Fagan, prospective member; **Dave Pressley's** mom, Susan; Josh Gentile and Mike Thornton from the Philly Phantoms. Bert Volger introduced our new exchange student (and a soccer player!) Francois, from Belgium.

We had numerous "happy bucks" contributed for diverse instances of happiness: **President Annalie** gave in honor of an exchange student/ambassadorial scholar who has contributed so much to Rotary, as well as a congratulatory donations in honor of **Steve Karp's** new daughter; a whooping donation of \$10 by **Steve Karp** for his new daughter, Alexa, from Guatamala, who will join us next week; **Katie Walker's** announced that on October 18th at the Chamber of Commerce's annual business and volunteer event, Volunteer of the Year **Jeannie McGinn** will be honored (congrats, Jeannie!); **Gary Hess** gave in honor of **Jim Gasho's** recent golf victory; **Sue Casso** announced the YMCA golf outing on September 18th at Hershey's Mill, complete with a dinner and a silent auction- golfers and non-golfers invited ; someone was happy about Community Day in West Goshen on September 10th 12-5, with crafts and lots of activities.

President Annalie announced that dues are due today; penalties of \$20 start

tomorrow for those who have not yet sent them to **Trish Kotsay**. She also noted that Barclay Friends 'Garden Tour is September 9, 10am to 3 PM.

The 50/50 was won by **Dave Pressley**, but he missed the 500+ pot.

Jack Wintermute announced the drawing of our next 50/50 charity recipient. The tradition was started under **Jim Gasho's** presidency in 1997. The charity recipient for the next few months will be the Volunteer English Program, nominated by **Cathy Palmquist**.

President Annalie reminded all of the holiday party at her house on the second Friday in December.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Eric Metzker

Continuing our series of speakers from local sports teams, today we were visited by Joshua Gentile and Mike Thornton who work for the Philadelphia Phantoms, the local minor league hockey team who live, work and play next to the Flyers. Dave Raeburn worked with Josh who arranged to have Mike, the Phantoms' new director of public relations speak today.

Mike gave us an insider's look at big-time sports management. Working for Comcast-Spectacor, Mike interacts with directors from the Flyers, Sixers and the stadium management folks of Global Spectrum. Clearly 'hitting the big time', Mike waxed eloquent over the virtues of big sports such as:

moving from having the minor league team housed miles from the sports complex to having them housed in the same building as the major league team,

moving from Kinko's for your production work to an in-house design and print shop, and of course moving from Portland, MN; Dayton, OH; Binghamton, NY; or Worcester, MA to glorious, sunny Philadelphia!!

As with our favorite minor league baseball team, the Blue Rocks (judging from their repeat performances as speaker every year), the Phantoms are the high value ticket of their sport. For hockey fans on a budget, the 8\$ price of admission for children spells family fun without going broke. According to the website,

"Individual tickets for the 2006-07 Phantoms season, including \$8 children's tickets, are available now here at www.phantomshockey.com, in person at the Wachovia Center Box Office or by calling 800-298-4200.

The Phantoms pride themselves on family fun at affordable prices and have held ticket prices for a fourth straight season. Along with the \$8 tickets for children 14 and under, seats for adults are just \$19, \$18 and \$14."

Training camp begins on the 15th of September when 75 players will vie for positions on the team. This year, all players will have to wear visors which will make for an extra move to remove the gear in the event that the minor leaguers attempt the brawls that made their major league brethren famous. (Imagine something like the move of a catcher in baseball as he looks up to track an infield fly-ball). So come on down to see the Phantoms and bring the kids to meet Phlex the mascot.

NEW MEMBER

The following person has been proposed for membership and has indicated his desire to become a member:

Jonathan Eigen: Executive Director, Bellingham Retirement. Classification: Institutions -- Continuing Care Community. Sponsor: Bill Gotwals

If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary within ten (10) days of this notice a date will be set for his induction.

SAVE THE DATE

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

EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Fiona Baldinger (France) Henderson HS
Host Family - Harvey and Shannon Hicks
414 Oakland Dr., Downingtown, PA 19335
Ph: 610 524-4277
Counselor - Adrienne Masak-Rozier
610 306-6415(Cell)

Francois Dellis (Belgium) East HS
Host Family - Claudia and Dr. Gregory
Simone
930 Weston Rd., West Chester, PA 19382
Ph: 610 701-5445
Counselor - Bert Volger
610 793-1708

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