



ROTARY VOTARY

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

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This Week's Program: October 5, 2006
Speaker: Jack Wintermute
Reclassification Talk

Next Week's Program: October 12, 2006
Speaker: Mike Perna
Students from the Ivory Coast
Arranged by Annalie Korengel Lorgus

MINUTES by Elizabeth Guman

President Annalie called the meeting to order and **Dave Biffen** led us in the invocation. President Annalie offered her opening joke. There isn't room for the whole joke, but in short it had to do with golden urinals. We had two guests, **Gary Hewitt** introduced our Chili Cook Off volunteer extraordinaire, Kevin McCarthy and **Concetta Schiatarella** introduced a potential member, Brian Mitchell. We had three visiting Rotarians, Reece Reynolds (Concordville-Chadds Ford), Joe Kahn (WEGO) and John Saling (WCSunrise).

Steve Karp strongly encouraged us all to be happy. **President Annalie** was happy about the work that the Los Altos Rotary Club is doing with their mentoring program. **Sue Casso** was happy about the upcoming Hickman Art of Caring auction (October 13), **Charlie Lyddane** was happy about the \$250 contribution from the Odd Fellows to the water project in Africa, **Dave Biffen** was happy to see **Steve Karp** the evening before taking good care of his baby with a runny-nose, **Jonathan Eigen** was happy about his home closing in Ohio and John Saling was just happy!

Domenic Carnuccio thanked everyone who signed up for the invocations through December. **Adrienne Masak-Rozier** gave us an update on our exchange students. Francois is playing soccer for East's JV team and made a goal in the last game and Fiona is doing well at Henderson. She asked for help identifying host families for the 2nd half of the year (Henderson area for Fiona and East for Francois).

Gary Hewitt updated us that we need 10 more volunteers for the Chili Cook Off and some people to help Friday at 4pm for some set up. **President Annalie** passed on Marty Phillip's message about the District Conference October 27-29. She then asked for a show of hands for interest in tickets in a WCU football game (per Mel Josephs). **Steve Karp** tried on a new career by auctioning off two tickets for Chester County Day (thanks to Annalie)—**Linda Hicks** was the winner.

Past President Jack Wintermute conducted an induction. **Bunny Welsh** introduced **Pat Barron** (Brad Barron's dad!) and **Bill Gotwals** introduced **Jonathan Eigen**. Jack wisely reminded us that our induction ceremonies are usually quickly forgotten, but that the highlights of our Rotary experience will come from serving others.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Faith Woodward

Joyce Chester from the Chester County Opportunities Industrialization Center (CCOIC) spoke of her organization that has been in West Chester for twenty-seven years. The mission of CCOIC is to have everyone employed.

Started by the Reverend Leon Sullivan in North Philadelphia to promote community, he used his church to get this now worldwide agency off the ground.

The system now includes eleven programs some of which are *English as a Second Language* and *Lifelong Learning*. With offices in West Chester and Phoenixville, the staff help those on welfare to get jobs. Those in shelters like Salvation

Army and Safe Harbor and those who are perpetually unemployed were some of the eight hundred people who were helped last year.

Funding comes from the United Way, Chester County, the Department of Education, the Department of Economic Development, and some local churches such as First Presbyterian and St. Paul's Baptist.

The CCOIC hopes to expand and do more work in West Chester since their motto is "Believing and Achieving a Better Community." They work with businesses in Chester County to get jobs for people. Nursing assistant students have been hired by Bellingham and Barclay friends.

The Youth Program serves those between the ages of 16 and 24. Drop-outs are twice more likely to be unemployed and more likely to be imprisoned.

Courses include, among other things, Health and Nutrition and Computer training. Outreach to communities is important. *Communities that Care* have lower crime rates.

Located at 790 E. Market Street, Suite 100, they need lots of volunteers, donations, substitute teachers, and mentors!

SAVE THE DATE

- Oct 8 Chili Cook Off
- Oct 14 Rotary Leadership Institute
- Oct 24 Salvation Army Canned Food Drive
- Nov 18 Foundation Workshop

EXCHANGE STUDENTS

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Host Family - Claudia and Dr. Gregory
Simone
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