



# ROTARY VOTARY

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

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**This Week's Program: November 30, 2006**  
**To be announced**

**Next Week's Program: December 7, 2006**  
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## MINUTES by Fran Luft

**President Annalie** called the meeting to order and **Mike Alfonsi** gave the invocation from Rotary Meditation and Prayers.

Joke of the day- A man called his son and said that he was divorcing his wife of 45 years. The son called his sister. His sister called her father and said like heck you are not getting a divorce- both the son and daughter are coming the next day. When the father hung up the phone he told his wife bother our children are coming for Thanksgiving and both are paying their own way.

**Mike Alfonsi** introduced our visiting Rotarians- Ross and Dawn Defur. Guests at today's meeting included Crystal? Casey?, Jody ?, Bryan Mitchell, Doug Marshall, Bruce Beadle, Mary ?, Mary Lou, Dr Mike Johnson, Bill Eaton III, and John ? [ed: Please understand that it's always difficult to catch the names of your guests.]

### Announcements:

The Lions' pancake breakfast will be held December 2<sup>nd</sup> at the senior center. **Vic Abdala** received his goody basket for co- chairing the Chili Cook Off. Recently married **Lonnie Beck** spent part of his honeymoon visiting another Rotary Club. **Vernon Brewer** announced that there is as need for more individuals to sign up for Bell Ringing.

**Ken Hickman** stated that volunteers are needed for Brian's Run December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Mike Alfonsi** announced that individuals with red badges will again introduce people, if you want to be on the agenda- please mark it down. Announcements should be about Rotary events and personal and non-Rotary announcements in Happy Bucks. Check out the Rotary web page for new and interesting items.

**President Annalie** announced that her son Reilly is 5 years old. **Bill Hess** announced that November is Rotary Month. The solicitation letters have arrived. Please pick them up at a Rotary meeting. The theme is "Every member every year". The club goal is \$100 per member. If a member has given \$750 the amount will be matched up to \$125. Please give what you can.

The announcement has been made the J. Dewes Mostellar Award for 2006 has been awarded to the Rotary Club of West Chester. The banquet is scheduled for February 6, 2007. **Carl Werner** announced that that the nominating committee consists of himself, **Steve Quigley**, and **Charles Streitwieser**. If any one would like to become a member of the leadership avenue let them know.

**Lee Bunting** announced that the legal battle is over and the new YMCA is scheduled to open in the spring of 08.

Happy Bucks were offered by **Katie Walker**, **President Annalie**, **Joe Polito**, **Liz Guman**, **Craig Kalemjian**, and **Joe Polito**.

Students of the month- Henderson – Kristina Schneider and Jerry Lagg, East- Yvonne Iturney and John Macola.

**Mark Sammarone** won the 50/50.

### SPEAKERS REVIEW by Pat Barron

Speaker: Joan Stokely, founder of The Society of Diplomacy, Inc.

Today we were treated to a most civil and informative sketch of the need for proper business social skills. Ms. Joan Stokely sold her accounting business in 2002, after twenty successful years, to start a new business

dealing with a common thread connecting her many successful clients—the fact that the most successful people also exhibit good social skills. Thus Ms. Stokely founded The Society of Diplomacy, Inc. to teach business diplomacy, social diplomacy, and etiquette as a necessary skill for promotion and wealth creation. She gave us her top ten business social skills checklist and explained each in brief.

Modern life has prevented many young people especially from learning proper etiquette, which becomes a definite handicap to their success in life. For example, dining etiquette used to be learned over a period of years from everyone's daily experience at the family's evening meal. This is no longer the norm. I have read reports that offers of employment often hinge on how the applicant handles himself at an interview over lunch and that one young man was not considered to have sufficient judgment when he salted his food before tasting it. Ms. Stokely can even advise foreign travelers of the proper etiquette of different cultures. Of course different venues demand different levels of etiquette, challenging the knowledge of even a professional like Ms. Stokely. For example, as a young Air Force officer, I learned that it was perfectly acceptable to be carried unconscious from a formal stag, as long as one's coat and tie were still in place and one was present bright and early the next morning for his flight brief. Lord knows what etiquette was expected and acceptable in Geoff Baker's Royal Navy.

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

The following persons have been proposed for membership and have indicated a desire to become a member:

**Doug Marshall**, retired from Northrop-Grumman  
Classification: Industry – Aerospace, Sponsor:  
**Annalie Lorgus**

**Carol Schaffer**, AASC, LLC; Classification:  
Institutions -- Elder Care, Sponsor: **Dave  
Rayburn**

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

#### **THANK YOU**

Copies of the Votary are provided at our meeting by Brandywine Valley Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (thanks to **Bill Ronayne**) this month.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

All are welcome to the following events:

- Dec. 3 Brian's Run
- Dec 7 International Service Avenue meeting immediately after Rotary meeting.
- Dec 8 Holiday Party at President Annalie's house from 5:00 PM to ?

#### **EXCHANGE STUDENTS**

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**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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