



ROTARY VOTARY

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

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This Week's Program: February 8, 2007
Domestic Violence
Speaker: Diane
Arranged by Dave Rayburn

Next Week's Program: February 15, 2007
Dental Clinic in South America
Speaker: Pete Thompson
Arranged by Pete Thompson

MINUTES by Cathy Palmquist

President Annalie opened the meeting and called on **Bob Crow** to give the invocation. Bob lead the members in reciting the Rotary 4-Way Test – what better invocation!

President Annalie told a cute joke about a dialogue between an Irish priest and a female parishioner.

Visiting Rotarians were Joe Kahn and Hewlitt Kirby. **President Annalie** introduced her guest Bruce Beadle, **Charlie Lyddane** introduced Josh Eisler, **Lee Bunting** introduced Micki Broyles and **Joanne Tadeo** introduced **Steve Karp's** guest, his daughter, Alexa

Rich Kaufmann extended birthday greetings to **Howard Johns**, who has been greeting at the bank for as long as Rich can recall, **Bert Volger** gave birthday greetings to fellow exchange student committee member, **Adrienne Masak Rossier**; and **Dick Yoder** noted **Bill Winter's** birthday now enables Bill to participate in Medicare.

President Annalie kicked off Happy Bucks with a donation in honor of Rotary Clubs in Africa; **Katie Walker's** bucks were in honor of Rotary's chamber award and largest turnout (320) to attend the Chamber Banquet. **Geoff Baker's** bucks celebrated his getting to meet The Royals, Charles and Camilla, when they were in Philadelphia. **Joe Polito's** bucks were for his pride in seeing Bert and Adrienne at the USA/Canadian student exchange program in Philadelphia and the interesting people he met from all over the world. **Ralph Freed's** happy bucks were in honor of the birth of his second granddaughter, Hanna Corinne, and **Bob Poole** put in a buck to report that **Bill Gotwals** said **Bill Winters** is a mere child at 65! **Steve Karp** was happy to show off Alexa's newest accomplishment – walking on her own – most of the time!

It was with sadness that **President Annalie** reported **Jack Cording's** wife, Miriam, has passed away. On a happier note, **President Annalie** has invitations for the morning chamber awards ceremonies next Tuesday; contact her if you want to attend.

President Annalie announced that **Cristina Combee** is Rotarian of the month for printing fruit sale forms and various other printing projects. \$200 will be contributed toward her Paul Harris Fellows account.

President Annalie invited members who would like to discuss fundraising issues (not specific project themselves) to contact her to participate in this short-term, ad hoc committee. Also, Honorary Rotarian Award forms are available.

Geoff Baker explained his hand in a sling was the result of minor surgery and then, reminded all to keep selling citrus for the annual fruit sale.

Matt Bradley announced a blood drive on Feb. 9th at Friends School, co-sponsored by Rotary and The Hickman. Another drive will be held on March 8th and third one is scheduled for spring. He urged all members to participate and give the gift of life.

President Annalie announced a \$500 club donation to Community Volunteers in Medicine by the grant committee. **Pete Thompson**, who provides volunteer dental services at CVM, will deliver the check.

John Schwab discussed an upcoming career opportunities event for high school students interested in going into the medical field. It will be held March 9th, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (lunch included). He urged members who have or know high school students to encourage them to attend.

Gary Hess called on several members to stand when he called their name – all had perfect attendance in 2006. He threatened to

name poor attendees, but said none were present!

Dick Yoder won \$20 in the 50/50 drawing. However, he did not find the queen and was threatened with a fine by **President Annalie** for talking on his cell phone during the meeting.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Pat Barron

Ken Hickman introduced Dick Fitch, in his tenth year as race director for Brian's Run. This event was started twenty-nine years ago to benefit a West Chester football player who was paralyzed from the chest down in an on-field accident. Over the years the benefit has raised close to seven hundred thousand dollars. Every year the event honors a volunteer-of-the-year and Mr. Fitch was with us to honor one of our own—**Jack Wintermute**. Jack has been with the event from its inception. He has worked almost every aspect of the event, most recently as chairman of the off-site shuttle bus service. Responding to a standing ovation from his many admirers in the club and in answer to cries of "speech!, speech!", Jack gave an eloquent, heartfelt, and inspiring acceptance speech about blind pigs finding acorns. I'm sure I speak for the many other blind pigs in the club when I say that Jack is an inspiration to us all. Congratulations, Jack!

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided at our meeting by **Charles Streitwieser** of Morningside Coffee this month.

BLOOD DRIVE

32,000: Number of pints of donated blood used each day in the United States

3: Number of gallons of blood used every minute

3: Number of seconds that another person needs blood

6: Number of times you can donate blood each year

3: Number of lives saved with each donation

60: Number of minutes it takes to donate blood

Being a hero to patients in need? PRICELESS. Please donate blood. Sponsored by West Chester Friends School, The Hickman, and our club

SAVE THE DATE

Feb. 9 Blood Drive at W C Friends School

Feb. 10 Visit by PDG Puru from India

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at

<http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>

To add events send e-mails to: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

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