



ROTARY VOTARY

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

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This Week's Program: June 28, 2007

Pals for Life

Speaker: Paula Kielich

Budget Presentation

Speaker: Michael Alfonsi

Next Week's Program: July 5, 2007

No meeting due to Holiday

MINUTES by Fran Luft

President **Annalie Korengel Lorgus** called the meeting to order. We recited the Pledge of Allegiance and **Mac Neilon** gave the invocation which focused on the Rotary 4 Way Test. This week's joke featured a large monetary donation to a church with the donor wanted to speak to the head hog.

Visiting Rotarians Jim Hern, Al Jordan and Joe Kahn were introduced by **Jeannie McGinn**. Guests at the meeting today included the daughters of Rotarians **Mac Neilon, Mark Sammarone, and Dave Rayburn**. In addition **Katie Walker** introduced her guest Brian Marrinan, **Joe Polito** introduced ? and **Adrienne Masak-Rozier** introduced Madeline and Hannah.

Bill Hess introduced Shirley Osbourne, Home Visitor from Chester County Branch of PA Association for the Blind. A check was presented to Shirley for the association in the amount of \$302. This came from the 50/50 monies. Shirley stated that the Association for the Blind started 59 years ago. Offices are located in Coatesville. The organization has an eye clinic, workshop where 22 individuals make textile items for the government, job training and a bookmobile tape service.

Birthday greetings were extended to **Jim Gasho** and **Joanne Tadeo** by **Charlie Lyddane** and **Terry McGrath** wished **Frank Reilly** a Happy Birthday.

Happy Bucks: **President Annalie (Shannon Royer and Steve Quigley- meeting today), Charlie Lyddane** (books shipped to Africa by the Rotary Club of Annapolis MD), **Steve Quigley** (thanked Amy Bailan and volunteers for the luncheon at the Sr.Center), **Terry McGrath** (Little Miss Sunshine), **Sue Casso** (she and **Patty Jefferis** are Sorority sisters). Gary Hewett is back in town until July 15th. He will return on October 15th.

Announcements: Rotary dues for 07-08 are now due. Please give your dues to **Trish Kotsay** or send them to her via the mail. There will be a party July 12th at the home of **President Annalie** for **President-Elect Gary Hess**. A Valentine's Day Dinner / fundraiser will be held Thursday, August 30th at Ruth's Steak House- King of Prussia. Cost \$75.00 Please see **Carol Metzker** or **Anita Trump**. **John Olszewski** announced that the proposed budget is on line . Check the Rotary website. Please review it and make any comments. John has hard copies of the budget for those individuals without internet access. Next week **Mike Alfonsi** will present an overview of the budget. **Adrienne Masak-Rozier** introduced Madeline and Hannah. Madeline will spend her junior year in Mexico while Hannah will do the same in France. We wish both of these young women a wonderful experience. **Jeannie McGinn** conducted the 50/50. **Jean Oakes** held the winning ticket.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Faith Woodward

Steve Quigley welcomed everyone to the West Chester Area Senior Center (WCASC). Several Rotarians are involved with the Center including **Jim Lees, Bill Ronayne, Shannon Royer, Carol Schaffer, Judy Ray** on the board, and **Bill Gotwals, Al Filano, Joe Polito, Stan Zukin, and Carol Hanson** on the Advisory board.

Joe Polito gave the 32 year history of the center beginning with Rotarians **Sandy Sandman, Amos Bassett, Ed Cotter, and Joe** who were on the 12-member board. The basement of Holy Trinity was the first site for the programs and in 1985, a site was found on Market St. and Wayne Ave. It was zoned residential but Joe did some research and found that it had been used as a junk yard (i.e. commercial usage) in the past. The site was

purchased for \$95,000 through a grant from Industrial Development Authority with an agreement to remain a Senior Center for 25 years. In 2005 the building and property were sold for \$1 million.

Amy Balien, Executive Director, described 20 years of programs at the center. She thanked our club for its help in the capital campaign. The mission of the WCASC is to Enrich the lives of its senior neighbors through friendship, activities, nourishment, and education.

The move in January 2006 enabled daily attendance to double to 120 seniors. Breakfast numbers have tripled and exercise participant numbers have doubled. The annual gala last year honored **Steve Quigley**. This year it will be **Shannon Royer** and others. This building and its programs were made possible by the capital campaign that raised over \$1 million from 394 donors. Many Rotarians have been meaningful to Amy. **Jean Oakes** was a role model to former candy stripper Amy. **Al Filano** is near to Amy's heart for scheduling spaghetti dinners and the plaque on her office recognizes his contribution. **Bill Gotwals** was president at one time, involved for twenty years and the bookkeeper's office has his plaque. **Steve Quigley** has been so helpful with fundraising. Fruit sale profits were \$13,100 and that along with other funds sponsored the board room for \$25,000. District 7450 gave a grant for \$2,500 (equipment for interviewing seniors) and the PA system.

President Annalie presented Amy Balien with a check for \$25,000 and a plaque for the Rotary room.

Tours of the center and a the video of Rotary from the West Chester Chamber of Commerce were available following the meeting.

SAVE THE DATE

- July 12 Presidential picnic for **Gary Hess**
- Sept 23 International Picnic
- Oct 7 Chili Cook-off

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at <http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>

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

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided at our meeting by **President Annalie**.

PROPOSED CLUB BUDGET AVAILABLE FOR YOUR REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Proposed Club Budget is available at (www.westchesterrotary.us).

Your comments on the budget are welcome, on-line, through July 5.

A brief overview of the budget will be presented at the June 28 meeting.

AN EVENING OF FUN AND FUND RAISING

What: Valentine's Day in August dinner

When: Thursday, Aug. 30th, 7 p.m.

Where: Ruth's Chris Steak House, 220 North Gulph Rd., King of Prussia, PA

Cost: \$75 per person

Menu: Petite Filet, Atlantic Salmon, or Stuffed Chicken Breast;

Reservations and personal checks will be accepted before July 18th at Rotary meetings. Questions? Call Carol Metzker at 610-793-4387 or Anita Trump at 610-733-6127.

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