



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

Wilfrid J. Williams, International President 2007-2008

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This Week's Program: May 22, 2008

Youth Exchange Students

Speakers: Bjoern Brauner and Andrea Kogoj

Arranged by : Adrienne Masak-Rozier

Next Week's Program: May 29, 2008

Classification Talks

Dan Cosgrove & Adam Gdowik

Arranged by Noel Stanek

MINUTES by Fran Luft

President Gary opened the meeting and **Dave Biffin** gave the invocation-Coming Of Spring by Peter Marshall. **President Gary** told a joke about a stolen painting.

Bob Crow introduced our lone guest Assistant District Governor- Dede Carruthers. Visitors included Christy Jarvis, and Leanne Emery introduced by **Dave Rayburn**. Birthday greetings were extended to **Joanne Tadeo** by **Charlie Lyddane**, to **Duke Evans** by **Jim Gasho**, to **Carol Hanson** by **John Schwab**, and to **Charlie Lyddane** by **Paul Woodruff**.

Happy Bucks: **Jeannie McGinn** (Rotaract event and **Jim Gasho's** band); **Ed Malet** (Rode bike, 20 people will participate in the Team Cancer Challenge, and magazine County Line went on line); **Bob Poole** (his neighbor passed away and he received all of his sports coats); **John Schwab** (Rotaract fundraiser a success); **Faith Woodward** (taking her 85 year old mother to Sweden); **Joe Polito** (His son was the make up artist for the movie- Tooth & Nail.); and **Jim Lees** (new granddaughter).

Announcements: **President Gary** announced that May 17 is the District Assembly at Delaware Community

College. Breakfast is free. May 31, 2008 will be a remembrance service for **Bill Eaton** at People's Light and Theatre 11-noon for visits and noon for the program. June 20th is district night at the Phillies. **Jack Wintermute** reminded all that Rotary night at the Blue Rocks is May 21. There are 5 tickets left. **John Schwab** announced that **Chuck Swope** graduated from the CC Leadership Connection. This program gives you the skills to serve on non-profit boards. **Dick Yoder** reminded us that the blood drive will be held Thursday 6/12. Contact Officer Nancy Martin for an appointment-610.436-1331. **Bill Hess** announced that anyone who writes a check to the Rotary Foundation between 5/15 and the end of June will have that amount matched up to \$500. Please support the Rotary Foundation.

The 50/50 was won by **Bruce Beadle**. The new recipient is the Fame Fire Co.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Matt Bradley

Students of the Month from West Chester Henderson High Schools were presented by Asst. Principal Elaine Kirkland and recognized by our club today for their exceptional accomplishments. Congratulations to

Nayeli Serape and Winston Elliot Jones. Between the two of them, their services and achievements include interpreting and baby sitting for families at St. Agnes Day Room; volunteering at the YMCA, Senior Center, and the Hickman; membership in the National Honor Society, Fusion (international diversity), Girls Supporting Girls, Junior Achievement, Student Senate, Black Student Union, and Boy Scouts; being the school news anchor (very entertaining), an etiquette instructor, and musical performer; and, finally, providing lawn care as well as child and pet sitting services.

Assistant District Governor Dede Carruthers (celebrating her birthday today) presented "India: Smiles for Nagamangala". She encourages all of us to find the greatest gift in our lives. For her, it is the opportunity to participate in and share Rotoplast. Dede has been on six Rotoplast trips, five to South America and one to India. Rotoplast is a facilitator in providing corrective surgery and research with the goal of eliminating the incidence of untreated cleft lips and palates worldwide by 2025. Cleft lips and palates are among the most common birth defects. Medical experts don't know exactly why a baby develops cleft lip or palate but believe it may be a combination of genetic and environmental factors (such as a deficiency in folic acid).

Dede willingly answered questions and accepted donations after her presentation. The next trip is to the Philippines this year and, hopefully, China next year.

THANK YOU

Copies of the Volary are provided at our meeting by **Katie Walker** of Greater West Chester Chamber of Commerce.

EXCHANGE STUDENTS

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Andrea Kogoj (Italy) Unionville HS

Host Family: Marc and Rachel Bevis

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SAVE THE DATE

May 21 Rotary at the Blue Rocks

June 12 Blood Drive

Oct 5 Chili Cook Off

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at

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

Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

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Dede Carruthers, Ass't District Governor

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