



Make Dreams Real

Bulletin #02

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester

Wilfrid J. Williams, International President 2007-2008

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This Week's Program: July 17, 2008

Speaker: Matt Bradley

West Chester Friends School

arranged by Dave Biffen

Next Week's Program: July 24, 2008

Speaker: Dr. Judy D' Angelo

Issues on Autism

arranged by Dave Biffen

MINUTES & SPEAKERS REVIEW

by Faith Woodward

The President's Gala and Silent Auction was held at the West Chester Golf and Country Club and all arrangements had been made by **Sue Casso Rogers**. More than twenty silent auction items were on display on the patio where cocktails and drinks were available. It was a lovely night in many ways!

After dinner, Master of Ceremonies, **Sue Casso Rogers**, finally gave up on the microphone and welcomed us all to this special event. **Bob Frame** then began the live auction that included dinner for six at **Bob and Sue Rogers'** house (it was so popular that two dinners were auctioned!), vacation getaways were also popular. **Bob Frame** appreciated this new audience that found his jokes fresh.

Outgoing president **Gary Hess** was recognized with a standing ovation. His brief remarks revealed that his one goal had been achieved (you had to have been there).

Past District Governor Bob Poole had been selected by **New President Steve Karp**. Beginning with a quiz about Nursery rhymes inspired by his reading to second graders, Bob led into a discourse on why some humans strive to do good. Remember Jack Horner? Bob introduced **Steve Karp**, who also received a standing ovation, and the members of board, **Past President Gary Hess**, Vice President **Dave Rayburn**, Treasurer **Rob Feeney**, Secretary **Trish Kotsay**, and the members at large, **Bill Ronayne**, **Bert Volger**, **Cristina Combee**, **Elizabeth Guman**, **Bob Rogers**, **President Steve** thanked Phil Sacks who had encouraged him to get involved in Rotary and

his sponsor, **Dave Biffen** and brought him up to play Million Dollar Paul Harris Fellow. Dave was quizzed about the founder of Rotary (Paul Harris), the year Rotary started (1905), the first project of Rotary (restrooms in the courthouse in Chicago), when was our club founded (1922), who was president during the 75th anniversary (**Kevin Quinn**), and had **Sue Casso Rogers** been an assistant district governor. He got them all correct with a little help from his friends...

President Steve has great aspirations for our club: to increase membership and to help some of the less fortunate residents of Chester County.

Senator Andy Dinniman, a friend of Steve's, presented citations to both **Past President Gary** and **President Steve**. He is pleased that Rotary provides service above self to many in Chester County, one of the wealthiest counties in Pennsylvania. And we were out of there by 9:15!!!

What a night! THANK YOU SUE!!!!

NOTICE

The following person has been proposed for membership and has indicated his desire to become a member:

James Langer, District Director, Chester County Council, Boy Scouts of America; Classification: Non-Profit Organization – Management; Sponsor: **Noel Stanek**

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

EXCHANGE STUDENT

We are currently trying to place an Italian student in the Philadelphia School District. We have the club, the host family but we are having trouble getting a signature from the Philadelphia School District. If you know anyone in that organization that we might take this to please contact **Geoff Baker**.

As a fall back position, we could place this student elsewhere. Please ask your friends, neighbors and colleagues if they, or anyone they know, would be willing to host a young man from Italy. We do not have a student in East High School this year. We do have one in Ruston and Henderson. So, a family living in East High School would be a preference. Please put on your thinking caps and help Geoff Baker with this very important Rotary program. Thank you in advance.

CHILI WRISTBANDS ON SALE 3/\$25

call Bill Ronayne at 610-692-3900.

SAVE THE DATE

Oct 5 Chili Cook Off -

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

Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

NEW RI PRESIDENT

Rotary International President Dong Kurn Lee stressed that a diverse Rotary is a strong Rotary during a visit to the Rotary Club of Chicago on July 1.

As part of a long-standing tradition for RI presidents, Lee addressed members of the Chicago club, the birthplace of Rotary, as one of his first official acts. He stressed the need to bring new leadership to take over for the old as part of the 2008-09 RI theme, *Make Dreams Real*.

"Every Rotarian that we bring into our clubs helps to *Make Dreams Real*," Lee said, to a packed second-floor room in the elegant Union League Club in downtown Chicago. "Every single one is another pair of hands, and another mind, and another heart to do Rotary's work."

IN MEMORIAM

It is with sadness that we note the passing of **Bud Deaver** on July 2, 2008. Bud had been a member of our club since 2001.

THE ROTARY CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President, Steve Karp; President-Elect, Dave Rayburn; Vice-President,; Past President, Gary Hess; Secretary, Patricia Kotsay; Treasurer, Rob Feenan; Sergeant At Arms, Bob Crow; Directors-at-Large: Rich Kauffman, Adrienne Masak-Rozier, Terry McGrath, John Messersmith, Bob Rogers, Bill Ronayne, Mark Sammarone

Russell deFuria, District Governor

Samantha Ramsey, Ass't District Governor

Robert Poole, III, M.D., P. D.G. 1980-1981

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