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ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester
Dong Kurn Lee, International President 2008-2009

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This Week's Program: September 25, 2008
Speaker: Debbie Hess
Chester County Day
Arranged by Dave Biffen, Jean Oakes, and
Craig Kalemjian

Next Week's Program: October 2, 2008
Speaker: Bill Ronayne
Chili Cook-Off Part 2
Arranged by Noel Stanek

MINUTES by Fran Luft

President Elect Dave Rayburn started the meeting at 12:30 p.m. **Bob Connolly** led us in the invocation reading a quote from a book which his father gave him. He also shared a letter his late father wrote and he found in the book. The letter was about his views on his relationship with GOD which he never shared with his son.

There were no visiting Rotarians. Guests were Sue Carr, Lloyd Roach, Ashley Miller, Ryan McCuff, Jim Smith, Anri (our exchange student), Michael Truton, two men from Triton Web Studios and Chuck Hawkins.

Bob Frame wished **Chuck Swope** a happy birthday, **Jeff Sommer** extended birthday greetings to **Judge Paula Ott**, and **Jack Wintermute** wished **Jeannie McGinn** a happy birthday.

Announcements: The Rotaract Club of West Chester will have a booth in the Chili Cook Off. Donations are being accepted to take care of expenses. **Geoff Baker** will let the Rotaract Club borrow equipment for this event. **Adrienne Masak-Rozier** told us that our Youth Exchange student, Anri is settling in nicely. On October 9th the two outbound exchange students will give presentations at Rotary. **Dick Yoder** announced that the Blood Drive will be held December 11th at the Borough Hall. **Steve Quigley** encouraged us to attend the good Kids Fundraiser at the new YMCA building October 4th. The new YMCA building will open in early October.

Happy Bucks: **Bob Crow** (raising money for Muscular Dystrophy), **Terry McGrath** (Eagles loss to the Cowboys), **Bruce Beadle** (Hurricane Ike, daughter fine), **Rob Feenan** (Chili Cook Off wristbands on sale), **Paula Ott** (Justice Center half moved in), **Linda Hicks** (Art of Caring will be held

October 10, 2008 at The Hickman). **Jim Langer** (Children), **Bob Poole** (grandson is the punter for Susquehanna University football Team).

50/50 beneficiary is Campabilities. Anri pulled the winning ticket. **Terry McGrath** won and pulled the Queen of Spades- he got the big pot of Gold worth \$389.00

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Matt Bradley

Today's program was the first of two presentations that we will have about the 6th Annual Chili Cook-Off" and was presented by **Bill Ronayne** and **Jeannie McGinn**. Bill first showed the video of last year's event, highlighting the teams hard at work making chili, the happy crowds enjoying the chili, a peek into the judging room, and the awards ceremony. The video was created by Coleen Mullen and is available on the web site.

Jeanie shared some new marketing materials including "slim jims" that Parkway Cleaners has offered to staple to every bag that goes out from their stores for one week. Thanks to Parkway! Thanks also to two other sponsors: Triton (web site) and RBS (dumpsters).

A new approach to volunteer assignments is being taken in order to have all slots filled before the day of the event, and Rotarians can expect a call or email from the volunteer chairs in the coming weeks. Volunteer check-in will be at DNB office on Market and Church Streets. Another change is that the YWCA will host the cooks meeting and judging. Also, teams can begin cooking right away and there will be two release times this year (noon and 12:30) instead of four. There will no longer be a music stage at Church and Gay so that Church Street can be used to Market Street.

Thanks also to the many Rotarians who have been part of the Chili Cook-Off team. They have done extraordinary work and had fun doing it at the same time, and we all owe them a debt of gratitude.

Logistics: **Mac Nielon, Jim Gasho, Becky Cacase** and **Katie Decker**

Traffic: **Steve Quigley**, entry and exit, block captains

Finance and Sales: **Rob Feenan, Bob Frame, Linda Hicks**

Health Department: **John Schwab** (keeping all attendees safe!)

Judging: **Mark Samarone, Bruce Beadle**

Trash: **Gary Hewitt, Bryan Brockson**

Marketing: **Jeannie McGinn**

We should all remember that this is our club's largest fund raiser and one of the most important things we do all year, making it possible to do the good works that we do.

Before we concluded a well-deserved round of applause was given for all of Bill's hard work. Thank you, Bill!

The WATER PROJECT AND ROTARACT

Charlie Lydanne went to the Ardmore Club as their speaker and they have agreed to give us a substantial donation (\$5,000+) toward the Kenya Water Project. The support and help from you started this effort and this phase is winding up and ready to fully fund the project. Thank you from Paul Woodruff, Michael Johnson and Charlie.

While he was there Charlie was invited to speak at the Media Club and the big club in Philadelphia. They will each contribute.

When Charlie came back to the office, he found an email saying that our club had given \$300 to the Rotaract Club for their booth at the Chili Cook-off. As you know Geoff Baker's daughter, Matt Schwab and Charlie's daughter are all involved. The young people are thrilled with your support.

Thank you for your support and encouragement.

CHILI WRISTBANDS ON SALE 3/\$25

call Bill Ronayne at 610-692-3900

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Oct 18 Charter Night for the West Chester
Downtown "Fridays" Rotary Club

Dec 11 Blood Drive

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at

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

Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided at our meeting by **Bob Frame** of Caldwell Banker Preferred-Exton.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Anri (pronounced Anli) Izui at Henderson HS

Hosts: Mark and Ellen Morun

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