



Make Dreams Real

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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: January 8, 2009

**Financial New Year
Rusty Leonard, CFA
Arranged by Dave Biffen**

Next Week's Program: January 16, 2009

**Inductions of New Members
Arranged by Noel Stanek
Chester County Art Association
Speaker: Karen Shelly-Genther
Arranged by John Messersmith**

MINUTES by Charlie Lyddane

President Steve rang the bell promptly at 12:30. After the singing of America the Beautiful, PP **Gary Hess** explained holidays and lead us to pray each for our respective holy day.

Dallas Matthews was a guest of **Bruce Beadle** and **Steve Quigley**. Marsha Kemishar of CVIM was a guest of **Paul Woodruff**. Visiting Rotarians included Alan Cramer and Don Horton from Sunrise. That deadbeat John Saling was nowhere to be found. Mark and Ellen Moran of our perennial host family were guests of the club.

Ken Hickman, Ralph Freed, Gary Hess, Dr. Lee McFadden, Steve Karp, Bert Volger and **John Schwab** all celebrated birthdays and according to amateur psychologist, harpist, and Realtor **Bob Frame**, a couple of them have issues about not getting enough Christmas/Birthday presents when they were young.

John Schwab was on hand showing the Rotary Certificates of Honesty and Moral Rectitude that can be purchased for display in your office or as gifts. **Tony Colantonio** was seen buying four of them to give to his various girlfriends for Christmas.

Sauna Yeldell presented Exchange Student Anri (not to be confused with former Head Possum Annalie) and the Morans with fine gift cards for their holiday shopping enjoyment.

Jack Wintermute (who, dressed as the Grinch Who Stole Christmas, was a major impediment to the poor souls whom he shanghaied into ringing the bells) announced

that the Kmart ringers outdid the Acme team by a good margin in this year's Salvation Army Ringy Dingy.

Terry McGrath thanked the donors of canned food who attended the successful Christmas/Hanukkah Party at **Geoff Baker's** home.

Matt Bradley was looking for applications for the recipient of the Fruit Sale Proceeds for 2009. Time is running short but you or your 6 year old grand child can download an application for the nomination from our Community Service page on the website.

Finally, **Paul Woodruff** was nominated and elected by acclamation as our candidate for District Governor for 2009-2010. Paul is Past President of our club and would be the first District Gov from our club since **Dr. Bob Poole** served a few years back. The author is accepting applications and gifts related to selection of interested parties who may want to replace Paul at our table once he moves up to become the muhaftah.

SPEAKERS REVIEW by Matt Bradley

Today we were treated to a joyful and harmonious performance by the West Chester Forty Niners Chorus, a much anticipated annual tradition for our club. The program included It's the Holiday Season, Little Drummer Boy, Christmas Is Coming, All Is Well, variations on Jingle Bells, two humorous PDQ Bach pieces, and a touching poem read over strains of Silent Night.

The Forty Niners are under the direction of Greg Givler and accompanied by Janet

Taylor. Some members arrived wearing their Lions vests, but they are forgiven after regaling us with their musical talent and holiday cheer.
<http://www.49erschorus.org/>

This was also the day to recognize Students of the Month from Henderson - Megan Berberich and Tyler Lauletta - and East High Schools - Lexie Leone. Biographies of all three students were available on the tables for Rotarians to be wowed (as always) by their many accomplishments.

SAVE THE DATE

Apr 17-19 District Conference
Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at
<http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>

Add events:
calendar@westchesterrotary.us

DISTRICT 7450

Rotary District 7450 has recently been announced as a winner of a public relations grant from Rotary International. As a result, a \$6000.00 public relations award from Rotary International will be used along with \$2000.00 of District 7450 funds for an **unprecedented five month long advertising campaign at the Philadelphia International Airport** beginning January 1, 2009.

“This promises to be a powerful effort to get out the message of what Rotary is all about,” said Joel

Chesney, District 7450 Governor. “For the second consecutive year, we will have two “state of the art” colorfully lighted displays located in the heavily trafficked baggage pickup area of US Airways at an airport that is **the 5th busiest flight gateway of the United States**. More than **two million passengers pass through the Philadelphia Airport each month**. Each of these eye catching publicity pieces offers a wonderful tribute to what Rotary does around the world and hopefully will even recruit new members to our cause.”

THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided at our meeting by **Katie Decker** of DNB First.

THIRD THURSDAYS

Please note that we have started a new system of using the 3rd Thursday of the month strictly for internal Rotary club programs. No outside speakers will be scheduled for these meetings. If you have a Rotary program that should be shared with the club, please contact President Steve so that he can schedule your presentation.

EXCHANGE STUDENT

Anri (pronounced Anli) Izui at Henderson HS
Hosts: Mark and Ellen Morun 610-344-0205
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