



Make Dreams Real

ROTARY VOTARY

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

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This Week's Program: March 5, 2009
Accomplished Women of Chester County
Speaker: Pam Powell
Arranged by Dave Biffen

Next Week's Program: March 12, 2009
Duffy's Cut
Speaker: William E. Watson, MA, PhD
Arranged by Dave Biffen

MINUTES by Faith Woodward

President Steve Karp opened the meeting. **Cathy Palmquist** shared Ten Rules of Living attributed to the Dalai Lama.

Guests were: Matt Lillard with **Ed Malet**, Joe Penaro with **Andrew Stump**, and Stewart Brooks with **Chuck Swope**.

Don Barr (GWC Sunrise) was our sole Visiting Rotarian.

Bob Frame wished **Dave Biffen** a Happy Birthday and **Ken Hickman** recited a Gettysburg Address-style Happy Birthday to **Jack Wintermute**.

Happy Bucks: **Bunny Welsh (Dave Rayburn)** and his wife took a tour with Bunny that he won at our auction last year and Bunny has photos of Dave in a holding cell), **Jim Langhorne** (Boy Scouts), **Steve Quigley** (someone switched jackets with him, please check with him if you want your expensive sunglasses back), **Dave Rayburn** (great tour with Bunny, no strip search was done), **Ed Malet** (2 new authors for County Lines- **Bob Frame** and **Matt Bradley**), **Geoff Baker** (happy he's not the Fruit Czar this year), **President Steve** (10th anniversary of his practice, next week he will be certified for manipulation under anesthesia and can wear scrubs!), **Ralph Freed** (Steve Karp cured his sciatica problem).

All are invited to share in Amy Balian's retirement party at the West Chester Area Senior Center, Wednesday, March 4, 6-8:30 PM. RSVP 610-692-4607. Contributions on Amy's behalf - please make to WCASC and send to 530 E. Union St. WC. 19382

Fruit Sale: According to **Elizabeth Guman** we have 227 orders which is one third of last year's sales. That is 225 cases sold by 41 Rotarians (compared to 73 Rotarians last year). The third highest seller is CVIM with 19.5 equivalent cases. **Jean Oakes** is the best female seller and **Sue Casso Rogers** is the second highest seller.

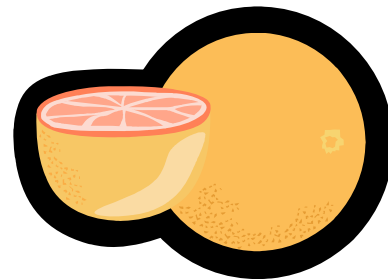
Shauna Yeldell is doing great as a new comer to our club!

Fruit Trivia: **Jeannie McGinn** got a point by knowing that **Geoff Baker** is the sixth person in sales from last year (**Joe Polito**, **Don Stonestrom**, **Steve Founds**, **Bob Connolly**, and **Paul Woodruff** preceded him). **Jim Gasho** got a point from knowing that WCASC was the recipient of proceeds in 2006. **Jack Wintermute's** point was gained with the closest estimate of what we raised in 2006 (\$13,100).

We have 2 weeks and 2 days left. Our goal is \$12,500 proceeds and we have \$8500 gross now. **President Steve** thanked **Elizabeth Guman** and **Cristina Combee** and pronounced them Rotarians of the Month for January and February respectively.

Dave Rayburn will be at President-elect training this weekend.

The 50-50 was won by **Tom Spackman**. Proceeds go to the West Chester Area Recreation Department.



SPEAKERS REVIEW by Matt Bradley

Matt Lillard of Greensavers spoke about the Why, Where, How and What of Home Energy Audits. Home energy audits are important because buildings in the US account for a major portion of our energy consumption and the costs have dramatically increased. Both the structure of the building and the behavior inside the building (e.g. where you set the thermostat) affect home energy efficiency.

In terms of structure, an audit looks at five

areas. Good **insulation** should have no gaps and no compression, and the vapor barrier should be flush to the surface. Infrared and thermal cameras can tell you about the insulation in walls and other places that you can't see. **Air sealing** around such places as windows, recessed lights and attic hatches prevent heat from leaking and are often the cheapest solutions (calk). Care should be taken not to over seal, as that can trap in carbon monoxide and combustibles. Sometimes new **windows** are needed, but often something as simple as closing shades at night can contain radiant heat in the winter. In looking to upgrade **heating & cooling appliances**, consider the appliance's efficiency, fuel cost, cost to install (or upgrade), and fuel impacts (CO₂, NO₂, mercury). **Lights and appliances** are often the easiest change to make. CFL's (new light bulbs) provide a quick return on investment. Phantom loads (energy used even when appliances are turned off) can be reduced by using power strips and/or timers. New appliances should be energy star certified. The most cost effective replacements are refrigerators and top loading washers. With rate caps due to expire, electricity rates are expected to increase by 1/3.

Steps should be taken to "tighten" the home first. Then look into insulation. Once these steps have been taken, smaller HVAC is required – go as efficient as you can afford. In all of this, plan before you start. If you want to go solar, for example, then you will need electric appliances.

In deciding if you need to do an audit, consider risks such as those related to air sealing (too tight, indoor air quality, CO, flame rollout). For simple fixes such as lights and appliances, Matt Lillard says, "Go for it." A professional audit should facilitate return on investment and prioritization, diagnose comfort issues, and minimize health and safety risks. When choosing a professional, ask about training and certification.

Your options after the audit include doing it yourself, identifying contractors and hiring a general contractor or energy service company. When considering auditors who also provide the contractor services, you should consider objectivity vs. convenience.

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THANK YOU

Copies of the Votary are provided by **Michele Parent** of Makemie Ridge.

NEW MEMBERS

The following persons have been proposed for membership and have indicated their desire to become members:

Pam Costanzi, Development Director, The Hickman. Classification - Non-profit Development. Sponsor **John Schwab**

Marjorie Wentz, Owner of Elmark Signs and Graphics, Classification - Industry, Signs.

Sponsor **Jeannie McGinn**

Debra Ward Sparre, Realtor with Prudential Fox Roach/ Country Properties, Classification - Real Estate Residential. Sponsor **Linda Hicks**

If no written objections are received by the Club Secretary within three (3) days of this notice a date will be set for their inductions.

SAVE THE DATE

Mar 14 Fruit order deadline
Mar 21 Fruit pick-up
Apr 17-19 District Conference
Apr 18 Rotary Leadership Institute -DE
Apr 19 International Student Picnic
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Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

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