

ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
John F. Germ, International President 2016-2017

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This Week's Program: June 15, 2017

Speaker: Steve Miersch Classification Talk

MINUTES by Pat Barron

President Bob Rogers called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. **Chris Franz** gave the invocation, using Rotary as an illustration of so many of the good works for which we are thankful. The group joined heartily in singing God Bless America.

- Sergeant-at-Arms Brad Abel was asked by President Bob "What do you know?" Brad told one of my favorite golf jokes...and rather poorly at that. Oh, well, you get what you pay for... Even Dr. Bob Poole had a joke about a pastor having trouble with his microphone. It was funny at the time, but I will spare you the details. You'll thank me later.
- We had several guests, including former club member Geoff Baker and his wife Laura, who is an honorary member of our club. Geoff and Laura are visiting from their home in Florida. More from Geoff later...
- Many folks were happy. Paul Woodruff returned from a wonderful family trip to Europe. Steve Quigley and wife Anne are celebrating their fifty-third wedding anniversary.
- There were no birthdays to celebrate, but President Bob played the song anyway, because he just likes it. Fair enough.
- We had several announcements:

Next Week's Program: June 22, 2017
Presidential Installation
6PM @ WCGCC
No Noon Meeting

- ✓ The Chili Cook Off gang and all interested parties will meet at Mas, corner of Market and Walnut at 5 p.m. today.
- ✓ On behalf of Home of the Sparrow, guest Carol McKenna accepted our donation.
- ✓ One of our Bryn Mawr Trust members, Cindie Bianchini announced that the bank's ice cream truck was parked outside and all were welcome to a free treat at the end of the meeting. She informed the group that Wells Fargo would donate the truck's services to worthy fundraisers. How about that!!!
- ✓ The club needs donations for the silent auction portion of the June 22nd Gala, to be held at the West Chester Country Club. Also, please RSVP if you are coming.
- ✓ Dues are due by the end of this month.
- ✓ See **Tim Walsh** to purchase your \$30 ticket to Rotary night at the Phillies on July 26th. Ten dollars of the cost goes directly to Rotary. **Katie Martin** offered to organize a tailgate party, if enough are interested. Isn't she a real treasure to our club!! Honest!!
- President Bob reported that our regularly scheduled speaker had failed to appear, so he asked Geoff Baker to update the club on his and Laura's life since moving to Florida six years ago. With no preparation whatsoever,

Geoff gave a wonderful talk about fulfilling his and Laura's dream of touring the country in a forty-one foot "push diesel" RV. His advice is that ridding oneself of possessions can be liberating and that if you ever dreamed of touring our beautiful country, DO IT NOW! Jeff has become an RV inspector, so talk to him before purchasing a used RV. There are lots of scams and traps out there. He and Laura live eighteen miles west of Orlando and work part-time for "the Mouse", as in Mickey Mouse. Laura is a photographer and Geoff drives a bus. Their daughter married an Air Force guy (smart girl) and Geoff and Laura now have an eighteen month old grandson. This happy duo will celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary this year, but that's not even half of Steve and Anne Quigley's wedded bliss. The honeymoon continues.



 Dan Cosgrove pulled his own ticket to win the 50/50 (Huh? What?), worth ten dollars. But he failed to win the now rather skimpy Pot o' Gold. Nevertheless, that's the last time Dan will be asked to pull the ticket!

DUES

You should have received the annual Rotary Club dues bill of \$230.00, payable in full or in 2 installments of \$115.00 payable in June and December. Payment is due on or before July 1.

Very important - Due to a change in the way we are billed by Rotary International and District 7450, anyone not planning to continue their Rotary membership <u>must notify me by June 23</u> in order to avoid a financial obligation for the 2017-2018 Rotary year. Our club will be billed for anyone appearing on our roster as of July 1.

Any questions - contact Sue Casso Rogers



AUCTION ALERT

Last call for items to be submitted for the June 22 President's Gala auction. Cutoff date is the same as the event registration, *Friday, June 16*. Forms should be returned to Glen Sweet at a meeting or at gsweet510@verizon.net.

INVOCATION REMINDER

The invocation will be given by **Deb Sparre** 6/15

CALENDAR CONNECTIONS

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm Add events: calendar@westchesterrotary.us

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