



ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450
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This Week's Program: September 24, 2015
Speaker; Judi Bell
Technology Update

Next Week's Program: October 1, 2015
To Be Announced

MINUTES not available

SPEAKERS' REVIEW by Glen Sweet

Bob Frame introduced David Woods, a Commissioner of the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board. Mr. Woods has a long history of public service in the Delaware Valley and the Commonwealth. He is presently serving a three year term on the Board.

The Gaming Control Board regulates only casinos as opposed to the lottery, horse racing, or small games of chance. Fourteen casinos are authorized in the Commonwealth under the 2006 legislation; twelve are currently operating. They employ 17,500 workers and purchase \$400 million in goods and services from other Pennsylvania businesses.

The objective of the Gaming Control Board is to make certain that the casinos are safe and that gaming is fair.

Taxes on the slots and table games of casinos realize \$1.4 billion per year. These funds flow back into the community in the form of: school property tax or (in Philadelphia) wage tax reduction; horse racing sustainability; funds to local governments that have casinos within their jurisdiction; grants to local fire companies; debt service for H2O water and sewer bonds; and grants to county and community fairs.

Slot machines operate by generating random numbers. Over the life of a Pennsylvania slot machine, it is programmed to pay out ninety percent of the collected amount. One half of a casino can be smoking and the other half non-

smoking. Smoking slots generate three to four times the revenue of non-smoking slots.

The Control Board levies fines on casinos and bans individuals for illegal or inappropriate activities. In Pennsylvania, a person can voluntarily exclude himself from casinos for one year, five years or life.

For more information, go to gamingcontrolboard.pa.gov

DISTRICT FUNDRAISER FOR OUTWARD BOUND

On October 23,rd our district is participating in a rappelling event for Outward Bound School. A representative from each club in our district is rappelling to raise money to send an underprivileged high school girl on a life changing, empowering Outward Bound experience.

As a representative of our Rotary club, I have committed to raise two thousand dollars. All the money I raise will go specifically to send a girl from the WCASD on an Outward Bound program.

Fundraising Dinner Event Invite: Please join us for a district wide rappelling fundraising dinner! Rotarians, neighbors and friends are welcome to join us. Unfortunately, it is the evening of the chili cook off. If you have any energy left and don't feel like cooking come join us. **When:** Sunday, October 11th **Time:** 3:30 to 8:00 or until the last person leaves. **Location:** John Renzetti's house, 114 Harvey

Lane, Chadds Ford. **Cost:** \$50 per person. Checks should be made out to Outward Bound with my name on the memo line. This way you get the tax deduction and your participation will go toward my efforts for a WCASD girl. Email me or Dennis Wallace (in the CC line) to RSVP.

Your generosity will help to make this a reality for one of our local girls. If you can't make the dinner but wish to help please visit my page on the Outward bound fundraising site. <http://www.firstgiving.com/.../DianeL.../building-adventure-2015>

About Outward Bound: Outward Bound is the world's oldest and largest adventure based education program. Founded during World War II in Great Britain by progressive educator, Kurt Hahn, Outward Bound now operates more than 40 programs in 29 nations. Using innovative instructional practices in both urban and wilderness environments, Outward Bound inspires participants with opportunities to make positive choices for their futures as students and as members of their communities.

The center of Outward Bound's educational philosophy is the belief that for young people to succeed, they need character growth and skills to assume leadership roles and take positive approaches to life's challenges. By engaging students in demanding situations, often in unfamiliar environments, Outward Bound allows students to develop as leaders while also encouraging self-reliance, physical fitness, craftsmanship, service to those in need and the environment and, above all, compassion.

Please don't hesitate to call with any questions, **Diane Lemonides** (c) 484-319-1485

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH

Votary Committee: Chair, Faith Woodward, 610-918-3432; Votary@westchesterrotary.us Web site: Webmaster@WestChesterRotary.us Judi Bell. Committee Members: Rachel Barakat, Pat Barron, Helen Flanders, Elizabeth Guman, Mickey Hall, Gary Hess, Matt Holliday, Jim Kammerer, Laura House Kelly, Fran Luft, Cathy Palmquist, Winnie Stroup, Glen Sweet, Marjorie Wentz

NEW MEMBER

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

Paul Cloug, Pastor at Christ Community Church
Classification - Pastor

Sponsor - **Dan Cosgrove**

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

SAVE THE DATE

Sept 29 Golf Match with Kennett Longwood
Oct 11 Chili Cook Off
Nov 13 SASY Awards
Nov 14 District Conference

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 today by
Ron Ginns of Phase 1 Electric, Inc.

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