



# ROTARY VOTARY

The Rotary Club of West Chester, District 7450  
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<b>This Week's Program: June 30, 2016</b> <b>Speaker: Andy Keen</b> <b>Trip to Seoul</b>	<b>Next Week's Program: July 7, 2016</b>  <b>To Be Announced</b>
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## MINUTES by Cathy Palmquist

As Rotarians and their spouses enjoyed cocktails on the porch of the West Chester Golf and Country Club., socializing with fellow Rotarians, they also browsed the silent auction tables, loaded with enticing donations of wine, food, golf outings, gift cards and other items. The party moved inside at the behest of **Sue Casso Rogers**, mistress of ceremonies for the evening, where tables were centered with vases of bright, spring flowers, beautifully arranged by our very own **Christine Wildauer**. Guests enjoyed a tasty buffet, followed by a specially made "*Rotary Serving Humanity*" themed cake that was almost too festive to eat.

**Mickey Hall** gave a thoughtful invocation before Rotarians dined, noting the loss of three outstanding Rotarians who have passed away, **Rob Lukens, Dick Yoder and Joe Polito**.

After dinner, **Sue** introduced "celebrity" Rotarians in our midst, **Judge Paula Ott, County Prothonotary Matt Holliday, West Chester Mayor Carolyn Comitta, Past Dist. Governors, Bob Poole and Dwight Leeper** and other dignitaries among our members, including our own talented auctioneer **Bob Frame**, and comedian **Glenn Jensen**.

**Bob Frame** did his usual outstanding job of auctioning off the five live auction items, cajoling guests to part with funds for dinners, sailboat cruises, etc. **He** was followed by our resident comedian, **Glenn Jensen**, who coaxed peals of laughter from the audience, and then, turned his attention to **Incoming President Bob Rogers**, who he proceeded to roast to the approval of guests.

Before **Incoming President Bob** was inducted, **Outgoing President Katie Martin** gave a light-hearted review of her experience as club president. Then she called up **Ernest Zlotlow** and named him "Rotarian of the Year" to a standing ovation. **Ernie** was singled out for his dedicated efforts of collecting used eyeglasses for needy folks in other countries, working on the international Albino boys' project, among other efforts.

**PDG Dwight Leeper** took the reins to induct **Incoming President Bob**, as well as the board members who will serve with him this coming year.

A new tradition for our club, introduced by **PDG Dwight**, was the passing of the president's gavel. **PDG Dwight** asked all past club presidents to come forward and stand in order of the year of their presidency from oldest to newest. He then handed the presidential gavel to **PDG Bob Poole**, who passed it to **Paul Woodruff**, who passed it to **Sue Casso Rogers**, then to **Kevin Quinn, Jim Gasho, Carl Werner, Mark Sammarone, Jeannie McGinn, John Schwab**, to **Katie Martin** and finally to **Bob Rogers**. A neat, new tradition to hopefully continue!

**President Bob** finally took the podium, noting his address would be shorter than planned because **Sue** and **Katie** had already mentioned many of the things he was going to talk about! After his comments, **Katie** "pinned" **Bob** with the president's pin, commenting that she did not wear it during her reign for fear of losing this valuable relic. Instead, she put it away in a safe place, almost forgetting just where that place was! **President Bob**, in turn presented **Past**

**President Katie** with a presidential plaque, noting her outstanding leadership this past year. As always, a fun night was had by all!

### THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR KATIE!



**FROM BONNIE KORENGEL**  
DISTRICT ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR

The clock is ticking to the end of this Rotary year: June 30! We are a bit short of our Annual Fund goal; some clubs are just shy of being an EREY Club: every member giving something to the Annual Fund, and the club per capita at least \$100. With a push this week, we can make our goals.

We have had some great district projects this year, matched with dollars from our block grant from The Rotary Foundation. The amount of the block grant is based on our giving to the Annual Fund three years ago. This year for the first time in my years as Foundation Chair we could only fulfill our district grants at 96%. Every district grant was approved because they were all worthy projects, but they could not be matched at 100%.

Let's not let this happen again! Please contribute before the June 30 deadline. I have attached information about the deadline and ways to give.

Our communities have been made stronger by our district grants. Continue to make your Rotary Club a leader in your community!

Thank you for your support for The Rotary Foundation and your enthusiasm for district grants! What we do for ourselves will end with us; what we do for others will live on forever.

### THANK YOU

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### SAVE THE DATE

July 19 Rotary Night at the Phillies  
Oct 9 Chili Cook Off

Check out the Rotary Calendar of events at  
<http://www.westchesterrotary.us/clubcalendar.htm>  
Add events: [calendar@westchesterrotary.us](mailto:calendar@westchesterrotary.us)

### MEMORIAL GIFTS

Donations in **Joe Polito's** memory can be sent to:

BSFS Tuition Assistance Fund  
220 Woodbine Rd  
Downingtown, PA 19335

In check memo line include  
C/O Joseph Polito

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