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Program Calendar

April 10

Radisson Hotel 12:15
J. Hines, Rhody Farms

April 17

Radisson Hotel 12:15
Ceceile Lacey, Coastway
Credit Union, Reverse
Mortgages

April 24

Radisson Hotel 12:15
Ryan Carney, BBB

Upcoming Events

May 02-04 District Conference, Westford MA

May 10 May Breakfast

May 10 Dist. Assembly at CCRI, Newport RI

May 19 Rotary/Chamber Golf Tournament, Valley CC, West Warwick RI

Jun 23 Dist. Installation at Providence Conv. Center.

Opening

Pre-Opening President Henry reminded us to turn off or put all Cell-phone / pagers etc. on vibration mode or **pay a fine of \$5.00.**

President Henry opened the meeting by inviting **Oliver Brady** to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PP Earl Pearson provided the invocation.

Brad Logan and **Carolyn Dutra** led us in a lively rendition “We are Family”, and somehow blending Rotary into the lyrics.

President Henry reported that we had TWO Visiting Rotarians today, **Joe Iacoi**, Past President of the Rotary Club of Westerly; Classification Banking, and **Deepak Vishnu**, acting Assistant Governor, Area 10, Past President of the Rotary Club of Providence; Classification Management.

Dr. Dave Ferris introduced his guest former Warwick Rotarian John Smith, and **Helen Taylor** introduced her guests Jeb Balise, Pres. Balise Automotive, Joseph Shekarchi Attorney General’s Office, and Leo Garrity of the Warwick Land Trust.

Kristen Marcks and **Tom Clarkin** passed the Charity Baskets.

Announcements

Pres. Henry announced:

- Reminded us that our Weekly Meetings start at 12:15 please try to be prompt.
- The May Breakfast will be held on Saturday May 10, 7:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon, at the Pilgrim Senior Center. Sign-up sheets are available for three work periods, (6:45 – 8:30), (8:30 – 10:00), and (10:00 – 12:00)
- There will be a District Assembly, primarily for Club Officers and Directors, on May 10, at the CCRI facility in Newport , RI
- See **PP Paul Mellin**, **Pres. Henry**, or **VP Jeanne** if you are interested in attending the District Conference, May 2nd – 4th, Westford, MA

Fred Colardo announced that this year’s 11th Annual Rotary / Chamber Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, May 19th, 2007, 11:30 AM – 5:30 PM plus, at the Valley Country Club, West Warwick, cost of \$150 includes Golf & Dinner. The event is now being advertised on the Rotary Club of Warwick’s Web Site (www.warwickrotary.org) and includes links to Registration and Sponsorships.

Christine Harkins announced that the Youth Exchange / International Night will be held April 7th, White’s of Westport, with 9 Youth Exchange students as guests. **Chris** is in the process of putting small gift packages together.

PP Paul Mellin spent a few moments explaining the District 7950 initiative for this year’s District Conference, May 2nd – 4th in Westford MA. As reported in last week’s Rotary Way, **Linda Tracey-Clifton**, wife of **DG**



Birthdays

04/06 Mara Doran

04/10 Ray Belanger

Quotes of the week

“The covers of this book are too far apart.” Ambrose Bierce

“Too many pieces of music finish too long after the end.” Igor Stravinsky

“Anything that is too stupid to be spoken is sung.” Voltaire

“When choosing between two evils, I always like to try the one I’ve never tried before.” Mae West

“I don’t know anything about music. In my line you don’t have to.” Elvis Presley

“No sane man will dance”. Cicero

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David L Clifton is coordinating a project to support Veterans through the VA Medical Centers in Providence and Brockton, where Rotary Clubs through out the District would donate cash or purchase items on a “Wish List”. Paul has made copies of the list of these items available at the Sgt-At-Arms table, and asks that we all participate, by bringing items to the next few weekly meetings, where they can be combined and brought to the District Conference.

\$Happy Bucks\$

PP Joe DesRoches, was at the “helm” again this week, and with the able assistance of **Pat Matulaitis** collected a very tidy **\$95!!**

PP Joe led off remembering his service as a Platoon leader with the Army in Korea, and how much the packages from home meant to those serving in harms way. Also thanks to **PP Bernie Kilcline** for his professional services, and to those who helped in the success of the Warwick Boys&Girls Club Dinner, Dance and Raffle last Saturday night.

Brian Wallin for the approval of Kent Hospital to develop and offer primary percutaneous coronary intervention, an emergency procedure whereby a stent or balloon is inserted into an artery in the heart to restore blood flow blocked during a heart attack. He stated that this represented a major step forward for Kent Hospital and surrounding communities and singled out **Dr. Joe Spinale** for his efforts in the successful receipt of the approval.

John Howell for Kent Hospital’s success in obtaining the approval.

Chief Steve McCartney “mea-culpa” for having been a stranger at the weekly meetings, and also for the District initiative regarding veterans.

Tom Leto thanking **John Howell** for the Beacon’s coverage of the Hendricken Hall of Fame Dinner. He also offered three tickets to the Hendricken, sold out, production of Joseph and his Amazing Technicolor Coat, for \$50, with proceeds to Happy Bucks. Also announced the annual trip for Hendricken students to Lima Peru.

VP Jeanne thanking **PDG Bill Rizinni** for arranging last week’s meeting and **Dean Scanlon** for supplying the great food.

Lorna Ricci asked that we remember OSCIL while doing our spring cleaning and come across extra small appliances, dishes, pots, pans, etc. Instead of throwing them away give Lorna a call at 738-1013 X 21. Her organization could use such items in good condition.

PDG Jim Rassol noted that 20 years ago the Rotary Club of Warwick had a 13 member Board of Directors, and that 7, **Joe DesRoches, Dick Crute, Larry Goldberg, Paul Mellin, Bill Palmisciano, Jim Rassol, and Ed Tavares** are still active members, **Len Duffy, Jack Frazier, Jack McMahon, and Bob White** are deceased, and only 2 have left the Club.

Dean Scanlon asked us to remember his grandmother, currently being treated at Kent Hospital, also he and Maria, just celebrated their 13 wedding anniversary at Gracies, and next week will mark and anniversary of I’attitude **Dan Scanlon Jr** on the annual drive of **Tom Sweeney’s** mother’s car home from Naples Fl. via South Beach???? Also his upcoming appearance in a dancing contest.

Tom Sweeney for having survived the trip, also a story about a long distance telephone bid on an auction item (Italian dinner by the B&G club Exec. Dir.)



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PP Joe McGair for the absent **PP Tom Celona** who worked so hard on the Kent Hospital approval.

Brian Wallin congratulating Hendricken on the placement of their seniors in prestigious colleges and the accumulation of scholarships to these institutions.

Dick Collins back from two weeks on the Danube exploring Eastern Europe.

Ed Ladouceur celebrating 39th anniversary of his company Stormtite.

Program

Chief Steve McCartney introduced today's speaker Attorney General Patrick C. Lynch, relating a story about a visit to Belfast Ireland, where an acquaintance asked if he knew a basketball player from Rhode Island by the name of "Patty Lynch". It seems that General Lynch, a college basketball player at Brown University, had, after graduating, played basketball in an Irish League. Attorney General Lynch, the 72nd person to hold that office, was sworn into office on January 7, 2003, after an outstanding career as a Special Assistant Attorney General from 1994-1999, and as a member of one of Rhode Island's top law firms, prior to his election. He has made reducing juvenile crime the centerpiece of his administration, believing that career criminals of tomorrow start off as the youth offenders of today.



Attorney General Patrick C. Lynch

General Lynch thanked us for the opportunity address us, and shared the fact that his knowledge of Rotary and its great work, go back to his father, a Rotarian, who would expound upon the "Four Way Test" as a model for life, to young Patrick and his siblings around the Dinner table.

His message today involved consumer protection, and specifically identity theft, which is epidemic and is the number one problem across the United States, where the perpetrators want not only your money but your good name. His advice was to obtain a credit check at least once a year, get rid of all credit cards you are not actively using. Shred all items containing credit card, social security, or banking information. Be extremely vigilant of the movement of your credit card when given to waiters or sales personnel. Report any and all suspicious activity immediately to your card issuer, put a freeze on the card, and deny payment of any charge not recognizable. Also take the time to read the fine print regarding interest charges on the contracts. Thank you, General Lynch, for an informative and interesting presentation.