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LAST MEETING: 3/21/12

By: John Chamberlin



Spring has sprung!!! Wait, did we even have a winter? Shhhhhh... no jinxes. Let's just pretend everyone was miserable the past few weeks because of a late snow. That way Mother Nature won't think we're too cocky!

This week's meeting was truly upbeat. You could sense it in the crowd but also, the speakers.

By the way, thanks to Patty DeMarco for coming off the bench, so to speak, with an invocation. Patty subbed in for me. I arrived with 2 minutes to spare but....

In President Andy's remarks, he thanked those who participated in the recent New Citizen's Reception. Additionally, he talked about our next member "outreach" event which will be a public panel discussion regarding the growth of Marcellus Shale related businesses. This event will occur during one of the first 2 weeks of June. Andy will give us more information as it comes. A committee has been formed to oversee this event.

Margaret DeLeeuw then gave her next to the last Secretary's Report. As it turns out, Margaret has been accepted in at least 3, possibly 4 MBA programs. She will be taking the summer off to travel but will be choosing a school soon. Duke and CMU are 2 of the schools to which she was accepted.

It was then time to hear from Ally Farmer, exchange student from Australia. Ally is currently here, attending

school at Allderdice and enjoying every minute. Ally gave us a slide presentation about Australia, in general, as well as her hometown. She also had some fun dispelling the Aussie rumor mill, such as letting us know that the "Shrimp on the Barbie" is not typical and that not all Australian's are into crocodile catching. Allie has had a great time in the US so far, after one month and expressed her deepest appreciation to Rotary for making this trip happen.

Then Patty DeMarco introduced our speaker of the day, Georgia Berner, CEO of Berner Air Curtains. Georgia continued the wise-cracking, upbeat nature of the meeting. She gave us the history of the company, explained what an air curtain does and how it compares to standard door vestibule installations on energy use and maintaining a balanced temperature in any building

Georgia has been well recognized as a woman in business. She took over the company in 1984 when her husband, who had inherited the company from his family, died in a plane crash.

Since then, her New Castle company, with 70 employees, has grown significantly. She recently had to testify in front of the international building code organization who had removed air curtains from the building code. As of the 2011 regulations, air curtains are back in the approved code, thanks to the research done by Georgia her staff and other air curtain associates.

Georgia ended early which allowed time for Ally Farmer to take questions about Australia.

Great meeting. Great people. Great times! Have a great Rotary Week!



NEXT MEETING

Date: March 28, 2012
Speaker: John Chamberlin
Title: President
Organization: Rock Paper Scissors Chute
Topic: "Social Media for Business"





It's a Great Day for Rotary!

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

- Event: Caring Habits
 Date: April 10th
 Time: 9:00 am
 Location: South Hills Middle School
- Event: Board of Directors Meeting
 Date: April 19th
 Time: 5:30 pm
 Location: Third Floor Conference Room
- Event: New Citizens Reception
 Date: April 20th
 Time: 10:30 – 11:30 am
 Location: Lawrence Welk Room

FUTURE PROGRAMS

WEDNESDAY APRIL 4TH
 Petra Mitchell
 President and CEO
 Catalyst Connection

WEDNESDAY APRIL 11TH
 To Be Determined

WEDNESDAY MARCH 28TH
 Steve Wirth
 President and CEO
 SynergIT



(l-r) Rotarian Robin Zoufalik, Foster Mom Rachel Colker, Exchange Student Ally Farmer, Rotarian Jim Ludwig, Club President Andy Dlinn



On March 14th Past Club President Linda Fischer and City Charter High School Advisor Ashley McWhirter recognized Alissa Dickson as a Student of Distinction"


BIRTHDAYS

Robin Zoufalik..... March 28th
 Gary Pribozie..... March 28th

ANNIVERSARIES

Dick Hodgdon 29 years
 Dan Long 20 years
 Phyllis Comer 3 years
 Ryan Gartrell 1 year

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