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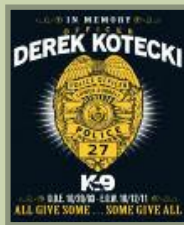
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LAST MEETING: 10/19/11

By: John Chamberlin

The October 19th meeting began with **Bob Overbaugh** providing the invocation and **Richard Dixon** and **Jim Hall** leading us in song, "This Is My Country."

President Andy noted, in his comments, that **Patty Naleppa** had recently been involved in a car accident. She has an injured foot and will be off work for a bit and not able to attend meetings for some time. A card was passed around for Patty.

President Andy also noted that World Polio Day is coming up on October 24, 2011. Less than 400 cases of polio exist, once there are zero cases reported it will take 5 more years without a case to certify that the disease is officially eradicated.

Ed Grimes, of the Greentree Club, was in attendance. He surprised our own **Jim Droney** with a Paul Harris recognition in Jim's name in appreciation of Jim helping Ed through a difficult period in his life some time ago.

Secretary **Margaret DeLeeuw** then welcomed guests and visiting Rotarians. We then sang Happy Birthday to **Lou (Lou! Lou! Lou! Lou! Lou!) Walsh**.

Karl Ohrman then introduced the speaker of the day, Chief Nathan Harper, City of Pittsburgh Police. Chief Harper offered a few thoughts about safety and the City's Police force and protection/prevention activities.

Mr. Harper recognized the work of community cooperative efforts such as in Andy Dlinn's neighborhood in

Squirrel Hill. Sixteen years ago, the area was experiencing an increase in crime. The police department worked with a neighborhood group and, within 30 days, the area saw a dramatic decrease in crime. Chief Harper recognized this because, as he said, "the police cannot do this alone." He mentioned that arresting criminals is not the only answer. He encouraged citizens to be vigilant and active in their community by recognizing out of the ordinary activity and reporting it.

The City of Pittsburgh Police force is currently increasing its staff. There are more than 40 officers in cadet training now and 20 more will start in January. The current staffing is nearly 850 officers.

The downtown area now has a 92% occupancy rate. There are 125 video cameras that cover the downtown area right now for public safety.

The police force is currently running a program encouraging officers to get out of their cars and talk to members of the community. Each officer is required to do a 90-minute walk in their neighborhood. Chief Harper wants the officer to build a rapport with the people they serve.

Chief Harper also talked about the youth initiative they have going on. "We cannot blame anyone about tainting our youth if we do not take initiatives to protect them."

Chief Harper answered a few questions after his presentation and then we all recited the 4-way test to end the meeting.



NEXT MEETING

Date: October 26, 2011
Speaker: Michael Lamb
Title: Controller; Organization: City of Pittsburgh
Topic: City of Pittsburgh Finances and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report





It's a Great Day for Rotary!

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Event: Chuck Tanner Planning Committee
 Date: October 25th
 Time: 11:30 am
 Location: Rivers Club

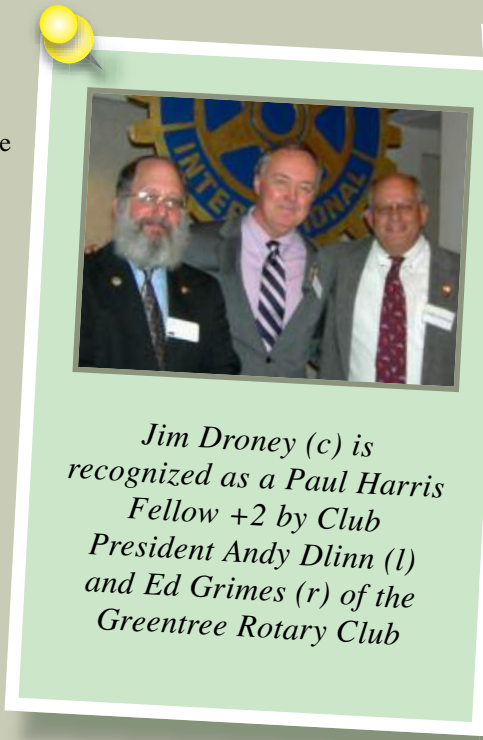
Event: Caring Habits
 Date: November 15th
 Time: 9:00 am
 Location: South Hills Middle School

FUTURE PROGRAMS

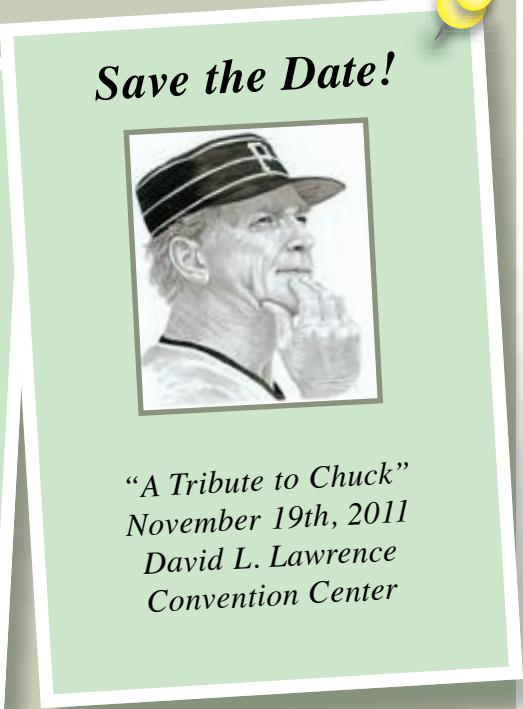
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 2ND
 Cindy Sakala
 The Rotary Foundation

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 9TH
 Tim Sweet
 Assistant Professor of Entrepreneurship
 Grove City College

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16TH
 Raul Valdes-Perez
 Chairman
 Vivisimo



Jim Droney (c) is recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow +2 by Club President Andy Dlinn (l) and Ed Grimes (r) of the Greentree Rotary Club



Save the Date!

"A Tribute to Chuck" November 19th, 2011 David L. Lawrence Convention Center



BIRTHDAYS

Danika Wukich October 29th

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Peter Smerd 12 years

Wally Jenkins 11 years

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