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OPENINGS...

President Edward Hicks opened the meeting. The Pledge of Allegiance was led Dr. Arthur Wolstein. Rev. Charles Gorelick gave the Invocation and Nancy Wallace led the Club in singing *God Bless America*.

VISITORS & GUESTS

Marie Yanick was a guest of Edward Hicks and Joanne Santiago was a guest of Jim Romeo.

OFFERING PRAYERS

For Maria Staniorski, who has been battling cancer for a year. Let's keep her in our prayers.

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REPORT ON TUESDAY'S MEETING

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS & BOARD

JUNE 19, 2007

President Edward Hicks opened the meeting and announced its purpose: to elect the Officers and Directors for the year 2007 - 2008. He called upon Cheryl Simmons-Oliver, Parliamentarian, to conduct the election.

Cheryl explained that the slate had been proposed by the Nominating Committee, the report had been accepted by the Board of Directors and now needed to be voted by the membership at this meeting. She then called upon Nancy Wallace, Secretary to read the slate.

OFFICERS

President Salvatore Mastrocola
President Elect Taylor Eskew
1st Vice President Cheryl Simmons-Oliver
2nd Vice President Syed Ahsan
Secretary Nancy Wallace
Assistant Secretary Jim Romeo
Treasurer Igina DeMichele
Assistant Treasurer Barry Fitzgerald
Immediate Past President Edward Hicks
(automatically as per By Laws)

DIRECTORS

Bea Castiglia Catullo
Mary Gembecki
Rev, Charles Gorelick
David Michel
Dr. Glen Nygreen
Dr Arthur Wolstein

Cheryl then explained that if any other candidates had wanted to run. they would have had to filed petitions according to By Laws. Since the time had expired and no other candidates had filed, the slate was not contested. She called on Nancy Wallace, Secretary, to cast one ballot for the slate, which was thereby elected for the year 2007- 2008. The Officers and Directors will be installed at the President's/Paul Harris Dinner on June 26th by DGE Robert Cucinell.

Sal Mastrocola gave a few remarks about his goals for the coining year and thanked outgoing President Edward Hicks for his leadership of the club for the past year.

Edward Hicks then gave a wrap-up of the main events of his year as president, which included 2 Gift of Life children, Joaninor Fify from Haiti in January/February and Amela Zadeja from Albania in April. Amela and her family are planning to be present at the dinner on June 26th.

He also thanked each member of the club who was present for their work for the club in the past year.

At the end, the club gave him a vote of thanks and a standing ovation for all he had done as president.

Following the meeting, the 2006 - 2007 Board of Directors met for their last Board Meeting of the year.

NEW GIFT OF LIFE CHILD

The Rotary Club of the Bronx is happy to announce that they will be hosting their seventh child for the Gift of Life.

The recipient of the program's "Gift" is a 11 year old boy from Nigeria. His name is Chizaram Chibueze and he arrived on July 3rd with his mother, Evelyn Umebuani. He is scheduled for corrective heart surgery on Monday, July 23rd at Children's Hospital at Montefiore Medical Center, The Bronx, New York. Chizaram and his mother will be housed by a Bronx family during their stay.



Photos Courtesy of Jim Romeo
Pictured from l. to r.: President Edward Hicks, Chizaram Chibueze and his mother Evelyn Umebuani.

MAKE UPS

Jim Romeo and Edward Hicks had make ups at the Inwood Club and the Pelhams Club.

CHUCK-A-BUCK

This week, Edward Hicks was the lucky winner of \$22.

DR. HAPPINESS

David Michel collected \$46 from happy Rotarians and guests.

REPORT FROM THE BOARD

The Board of Directors met on June 12th, and discussed several items, but as there was not a quorum (quorum is 8), the Board met again on June 19th to take votes on items as required.

Board Members present on 6/12/07: Edward Hicks, Salvatore Mastrocola, Cheryl Simmons-Oliver, Nancy Wallace, Igna DeMichele, Rev. Charles Gorelick, and Jim Romeo. Excused: Dr. Arthur Wolstein. Guest: Caroline Pitts

Board Members present on 6/19/07: Edward Hicks, Salvatore Mastrocola, Taylor Eskew, Cheryl Simmons-Oliver, Nancy Wallace, Igina DeMichele, Rev. Charles Gorelick, David Michel, Jim Romeo and Dr. Arthur Wolsiein. Guest: Bea Castiglia Catullo.

At the meeting of June 19th, the Board took the following actions:

- Voted to give a scholarship of \$1,000 each to 2 Lehman College students in honor of Monrce Lovinger (to come from Foundation). To be given at one of our meetings by new President Sal Mastrocola, with press release and photo.

- Voted to give a scholarship of \$500 each to 2 high school students. Cheryl Simmons-Oliver will follow up. To be given with press release and photo.

- Decided to ask Dr. Weinstein to be the speaker at our Open Hearts Gala honoring him and the Children's Hospital at Montefiore on Thursday, November 1st.

- Discussed policy regarding comp tickets at our dinners. Honorees will be given 2 comp tickets.

- Decided to charge \$15 per adult at our Clambake on Friday, September 28th to encourage families and public to come. Children 12 and under will be free. Time will be 5 to 10 p.m. Will try to get magician again, and other activities for children. Will publicize in press and with flyers on City Island, with other clubs and on District Website.

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- Discussed payment of dues. Dues are \$200 per year, are due July 1st and should be paid by August 1st. Schedule of letters will be: send initial letter by June 15th, with follow-up letter on August 15th. If not paid by August 31st, will be dropped as member, since payment of dues is condition of membership.

- District 7230 wants to incorporate. Voted to approve incorporation.

- Discussed open house for potential members perhaps at Dancing Crane Cafe. To be discussed by new board.

Board members are expected to be present for once-a-month Board Meetings. If you cannot attend a meeting, you need to call to be excused. If you have an item for the agenda, please call the president or the secretary ahead of time. Thank you.



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Andy Pane '72

THE BRONX ROTARY OFFICERS

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Only one application per district will be considered. District governors must submit PR grant applications to RI headquarters by 1 October.

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MEETING TIMES & PLACES of ROTARY CLUBS in DISTRICT 7230

SATURDAY Central Bronx	7:30p	Office of Muhammed Mujumbar	Hartsdale	12:15p	Oporto's Restaurant
MONDAY Bronxville	12:15p	Town Tavern	Inwood Manhattan	7:00p	Convent of the Good Shepherd
Chappaqua	12:15p	Crabtree's Kittle House	Metro NYC	7:30p	Maharaja Indian Restaurant
St. George's	6:30p	Mulligan's, St. Georges' Golf Club	Mid-Island	7:30a	Dakota Diner
TUESDAY Bronx	12:15p	The Harbor Restaurant	Mount Kisco	12:15p	Mt. Kisco Holiday Inn
Chinatown	1:00p	Sweet-n-Tart Restaurant	Mount Vernon	12:15p	Bona Sera Restaurant
Croton-on-Hudson	12:15p	Just-In-Time	New Rochelle	6:15p	Davenport Club
East Yonkers	12:00p	Ramada Inn	Ossining	12:30p	Cambridge House
Hamilton	12:15p	Mariners Club	Pelhams	12:15p	Rockwells
Hastings, Dobbs Ferry, Ardley & Irvington	6:15p	Rudy's Beau Rivage	Sandys	6:30p	Henry VIII Restaurant
Northeast 1st & 3rd Tues	6:15p	Katonah Memorial House	Scarsdale	12:15p	Central Square Café
Westchester 2nd & 4th Tues	12:15p	Katonah Memorial House	Tarrytowns	12:15p	Striped Bass Restaurant
Mount Pleasant	12:15p	Casa Rina Restaurant	2nd Wed. of the month Yorktown	8:00a 12:15p	Striped Bass Restaurant The Heights Bistro & Bar
New York	12:00p	Princeton Club	THURSDAY Elmsford	12:15p	Tony's La Stazione
PortChester-Rye Brook	12:05p	T&J Villaggio	Mamaroneck	12:15p	Chef Antonio Restaurant
Somers	6:30p	Pinnacle Restaurant	North Shore	7:00p	Staaten Restaurant
Staten Island	12:30p	Ligreci's Staaten Restaurant	Peekskill	12:15p	Cortlandt Colonial Restaurant
Upper Manhattan	6:00p	International House	Pembroke	7:30a	Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
White Plains	12:15p	Crowne Plaza Hotel	Pleasantville	12:15p	Riviera Restaurant
WEDNESDAY Armonk	6:15p	Beehive	Riverdale	6:30p	Peppino's Restaurant
Eastchester	12:15p	CIAO Restaurant	South Shore	12:15p	Marina Grand
Gateway	7:15p	Bocelli Restaurant	Yonkers	12:00p	Ramada Inn
Harrison	12:15p	Emilio's Restaurant	FRIDAY Briarcliff	12:15p	Briarcliff Recreation Center
			Larchmont	12:15p	Larchmont Yacht Club
			Rye	12:15p	Whitby Castle