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## The 22nd Annual 7:10 Installation Dinner



On Wednesday evening, June 28th at 6:00 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel in Westminster, the dinner tables were set, and the waiters poised to provide service as the Westminster 7:10 Rotary Club hosted it's 22<sup>nd</sup> annual President's Installation Dinner. The festivities began with a delicious dinner of grilled chicken, as well as whipped potatoes and fresh green beans followed by a chocolate cake dessert. Once dinner was completed, President Barbara began the business meeting by asking each Rotarian to introduce themselves and their guest. As each Rotarian made the introductions we learned some very interesting facts about their guest, how long they have been married and or dating. All went well until Mark Clark was called on to introduce his wife. He informed us that, however, he was the eye candy we were looking at this evening.

It was a beautiful evening to have a dinner at The Marriott. The sky was slightly cloudy, but there was no rain as happened last year. Once the introductions were done, Barbara began the year in review. She outlined all of the service projects the 7:10 Rotary Club has done all year long and also talked about the many fundraising efforts to which the members contributed their time and energy. The special event of the evening was the presentation of the H. Michael Hayes, *Make A Difference Grant* awarded to Eleanor Scott, President of the Westminster Community Action Awareness Team, a group that supports "Just Say No to Drugs." Pictured to the right are Dick Hayes, Mike's son, Lindsey Daly, Dick's daughter, with Eleanor Scott and Rick Fuller, accepting the check.



Barbara then proceeded to call some amazing, hardworking members to the Dias to present numerous awards. These included: Brian got the "Hat" award, Chris the "Work Gloves", Kevin (not shown) the "Medical Degree" award; Roberta, Caitlin, Brick and Kinoti, the "You're the Best" award; Garth received the "Easy" award; Ed and Martin the "Globe" award; Gary the "Oxygen and BenGay" award; Mark Harris the "Luggage Tags" award, and Vanessa the "Women of Rotary" pin; John Inman accepted the "Life is Good" shirt, and Loren the "Star" award.



The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the Rotarian of the Year award, kept secret until the last minute, to an outstanding member of the Westminster 7:10 Rotary club, Roger Gudenkauf. Roger has not only been active in the 7:10 Club, but very active in Westminster, heading up many activities that help others.

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President Barbara then called up her outgoing board and thanked them for their good work. Shown here are board members, l-r, Ryan, President Barbara, Mark Harris, Chris, Loren and Chuck.

President Barbara then continued the proceedings with the introduction of our incoming President, Mark Harris.

With great fanfare, Barbara administered the oath of office to Mark and handed him the ever



ubiquitous gavel. President Mark then called the incoming Board to the front of the room and introduced each with the presentation of their board pins and installed the group by



repeating the oath of office.

Mark continued his remarks by introducing these board members, l-r, Amanda, Secretary; Matt, Membership Chair; Caitlin, Administration Chair; Chuck, Chair of Rotary Awareness; John, RI Foundation Representative; Loren, Club Treasurer; and, not shown, is Malissa Dalla who will add her expertise to our Service Projects as Chair of that committee.

President Mark then continued to outline his goals and objectives for the coming year with much enthusiasm and excitement. Mark will certainly be a force to be reckoned with. His dynamism spreads like wildfire and he will inject each member in our club with the will to be more involved and enthusiastic.



Another highlight was the presence of our newest Exchange Student, Meryn Johnson, as seen here, center with Martin and her mother, Pat. Meryn just graduated from high school and will be leaving for Brazil in August for one year. We look forward to reports from her during the year.

As the meeting wrapped up, J.P. Moore, as the outstanding Sgt. At Arms that he is, held his own and made sure each fine was firmly gripped and placed in the Pig by the omnipresent, Past President, Barbara. There were many members who tried to question J.P. as he meted out fines, but they soon found out the hard way it is expensive to delve into the realm of the Sgt. At Arms and try to make a point of order.



President Mark then gave some closing remarks and thanked each member for coming and being an integral part of our Family of Rotary.

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