



**Chartered 1965**  
"Celebrating our 44<sup>th</sup> year of Service to the Community"

**ROTARY CLUB OF VIENNA, Inc.**  
**Wednesdays 12:15 PM**  
*Award Winning Newsletter*  
**2007 & 2008**

**Marco Polo Restaurant**  
**245 W Maple Ave.**  
**Vienna, VA 22180**

## Calendar of Events

- April 6 Viva! Vienna! Planning Mtg 5:30pm at TD Bank, Tysons Corner 2070 Chain Bridge Road 2nd Floor
- April 11 GMU/Penn State Volleyball game. Lou Zone has 30 tickets
- Apr 22 GSE Team Visit to Club

## Upcoming Programs

- April 8 Club Assembly
- April 15 Dr. Esam Omeish – State of Healthcare in VA
- April 22 GSE Team



**Keith Argow** maintained his perfect attendance record, participating in the April 1 meeting by speaker phone. He provided the sad news that his recent accident has left him in considerable pain, and will require three-to-six months of bed rest.

The **Rev. John Tate's** happy news was that he and his wife were celebrating their 54th wedding anniversary. Several Rotarians vocally chastised him for thinking that \$1 was an adequate contribution, under the circumstances.



### View from the Tables

Meeting Called to order at 12:15 p.m. by **President John Brunow**  
Greeter: **Paul Berger**  
Pledge: **Joe Manelski**  
Prayer: **Rev. John Tate**  
Song: **David Helfgott** led us in "God Bless America"  
Reporter: **David van Valkenburg**



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Group Study Exchange (GSE) team from India will be in District 7610 during March and April. Rotary Club of Vienna will host the team and have them attend our meeting of April 22nd.

The next planning meeting for Viva! Vienna! is scheduled for April 6th at 5:30 PM at TD Bank, Tysons Corner 2070 Chain Bridge Road 2nd Floor - the best parking is in rear of building. We will meet on the first Monday of each month through May.

### REMINDER – VIVA! VIENNA!

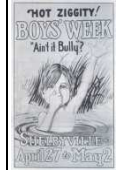
**ONLY 53 days until Viva! Vienna!** -- Volunteer registration open. Please sign up at [ViVAViennaVA.org](http://ViVAViennaVA.org)

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parking is in rear of building. All committee chairs are asked to attend. All Vienna Rotarians who want to be active in the planning for the festival are encouraged to attend.

Please RSVP to Howard ([hsvigals@gmail.com](mailto:hsvigals@gmail.com)) if you are coming.



## HISTORIC MOMENTS ROTARY AND BOYS' WEEK

The first Boys' Week was held in New York City in May 1920 by the Rotary Club of New York and other local organizations. The event was part of an effort to promote youth development in the areas of education, citizenship, health and hygiene, and vocation.

New York club members reported on the success of Boys' Week at Rotary's 1920 convention, hoping that it would become part of the Boys' Work program, which Rotary had established several years earlier with the creation of the Committee on Work among the Boys (later known as the Boys' Work Committee). The program encouraged Rotary clubs to work with other community programs and organizations to counter juvenile delinquency, truancy, and poor physical health, with the goal of developing good citizens.



By the mid-1920s, they were being held in almost 600 locations across 25 countries. In 1928, the number of participating cities and towns had grown to about 3,000.

The target audience also grew rapidly. Girls rode on the float sponsored by the Rotary Club of Vicksburg, Mississippi, in a 1924 [Loyalty Day](#) parade held in conjunction with Boys' Week.

In 1934, Boys' Week became known as Youth Week, and in 1936, Boys and Girls' Week. In 1954, the RI Board of Directors voted to discontinue Rotary's official sponsorship of Boys and Girls' Week to support new youth efforts, but it encouraged clubs to continue participating in local youth service initiatives. In the following decades, Rotary went on to create other programs for young people, including [Interact](#), [Rotaract](#), and [Rotary Youth Exchange](#).

To hear about the importance of youth involvement, listen to episode 9 of the historic [Rotary Golden Theater Radio Show](#).



Visiting Rotarians	
<b>Burt Haycock</b>	
Guests	
None	
Gambling	
	Archie Tinelli won the small pot of \$26. He donated back to the club. The large pot continues to grow to \$541.
	A notable Mixed Fruit pie (apple, peach, raspberry and blueberry), donated by the Pie Gourmet, was enjoyed at <b>Gerry Hamilton's</b> table, which allowed your correspondent to report first hand. Your correspondent wishes to propose a new rule that the reporter always be served, so as to be in a position to provide a complete record. Where does Joe Meranda get such firm peaches this time of year?



## TODAY'S PROGRAM

**Derwood Overton**  
**OAR Fairfax County**

**Woody Bentley** introduced Derwood Overton of OAR Fairfax County, then joined him in a presentation on OAR's work, and of one OAR project in particular, The Beacon.



The Beacon is a community of the formerly incarcerated, living and working together while redirecting their lives positively and profoundly." OAR, which now stands for Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources but originally stood for Offender Aid and Restoration, guides "formerly incarcerated individuals" through the process of "restorative justice," offering offenders the opportunity and resources to repair the harm they have done by becoming contributing members of the community.

Mr. Overton reported that each year, the OAR staff of 16, assisted by 130 volunteers, helps 2600 "formerly incarcerated people," a term which it prefers to "felons." OAR teaches positive life skills and job skills.



Many former prisoners, acculturated to an institution where they are allowed few choices, need help in re-acustoming themselves to making choices. Self-sufficiency and entrepreneurial skills are especially emphasized, since so many employers decline to hire them.

The Fairfax County Adult Detention Center budgets \$43,000 to \$48,000 per year per prisoner, and relatively little of that goes for programs to help prisoners prepare for life on the outside. By comparison, Mr. Overton reported, OAR services cost \$665 per participant per year, and residence at The Beacon costs \$3,000 a year.

"Virginia has more prisons than colleges. Some prisons are run by corporations listed on the stock exchange. They have no incentive to prepare you for life on the outside. Coke isn't in the business to help you stop drinking Coke."



## ROTARIANS MEETING



Gerry accepts the pie from President John!



Archie Selects the next winner.



Woody reported that his interest in people leaving jails and prisons arose from his former role in putting people in jail. He observed that so many of these people go to prison and eventually leave prison lacking the education, self-discipline or mental health that would allow them to stay out of there, hence, a 70% recidivism rate in the United States.

