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## **Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club and the Carnegie Arts and Heritage Festival!**

The Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club has been a presence at the Carnegie Arts and Heritage Festival for each year of the event. We usually have a Booth and sell some type of food item. In the past we have done roast beef sandwiches, hot dogs, nachos, apples, and recently iced coffee and iced tea. It has been years since we made any money with our food booth, not that making money was our primary goal but a nice result of club fellowship manning the booth for the 3 days of the Festival. In recent years that profit has significantly gone down while the number of volunteers has decreased making the effort very labor intensive for the reward. The Committee decided that this year we would change things up. We have donated money to the Festival Committee to help sponsor the bands that they provide for the great music and will ask our members to volunteer to help the Festival Committee staff their many areas. The potential jobs sights include manning the Kid's booths, the information booth, the Ticket booths and the beer taps for the music, help with the bands (not sure what that is), and general logistics which could be anything. The times are Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:30 PM or 7:30 to 10:00 PM, Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 7:00 PM, 7:00 to 9:00 PM, or 8:00 to 10:30 PM and the last day, Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 PM, 4:00 to 8:00 PM, and 8:00 to 12 Midnight. Patty John has the sign up sheet for about 2 weeks to please check your schedules and sign up to help (a number of us will be signing up to help with beer sales on Thursday evening already). Related to this, we are having T-shirts and Golf shirts made by former member Fran Cross and her Root-T's store which will have the Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club name and the Rotary Logo. The T-shirts are \$8.00 and the golf shirts are \$18.00. Please let Patty know ASAP if you are interested. The shirt order will be put in as one and the Club will bill you through the Lunch Fund. So get a shirt and get our Club's name out into the public at the Carnegie Arts and Heritage Festival!!!

Our program today was **Don Hammond**, Automobile Editor for the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Born in St. Louis and a University of Missouri Graduate in Journalism, **Don** has been with the Post-Gazette for the last 5 years. He admits that predicting what will happen in the auto industry in the next 5-10 years is not an exact science; he feels very strongly that it will be changing dramatically. Some standard companies like GM and Ford he feels are positioned so that they can survive the changes coming but that Chrysler may not survive as they are now. Some companies will vanish, some stay the same, and some will merge as a way to adjust to change. Although gas futures have come done some recently and slowly the price at the pump has followed, it won't last and that eventually, unless drastic changes are made in consumption on a world wide scope, \$5-8 a gallon gas prices are in our future! How the cost of gas, the government dictates on average fleet gas mpg's

and other EPA requirements, and the changing American consumer demand for types of cars will effect the auto industry is hard to know for certain but it WILL effect the industry as we know it! **Don** predicts that gone will be the large tank like SUV's being replaced by standard and mini-SUV's and hybrid SUVs. He feels large luxury cars will go but that the new luxury cars will be smaller but more luxurious than ever before. He feels hybrids have been around enough to have worked the kinks out but that hydrogen fuel cell cars are not there yet. Totally Plug In Hybrid cars will be also available. He feels that competition from other countries for oil will become more intense and that other countries such as China and their auto industry will become competition for American firms. This view into the near future was most interesting. Thank you **Rich** and **Don** for a great program.

**Announcements:**



August: Literacy Membership & Extension Month

President David Brosky

R.I. 2008-2009 Theme

Please note in your busy schedules that on Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup> our recent program, Pete Hewlett and Scott Anderson will be playing at Wright's Seafood Inn in Heidelberg. We'd like to see if a group of us can get together for dinner there that night and take in their performance. About 6 of us made it this past Monday and had great food, great fellowship, and even better music! Put the date in you book and see if you can make it!

Prospective new member Leigh A. White turned in her application today. Leigh is the Executive Director of the Carnegie Community Development Corporation based at 40 East Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Carnegie, PA 15106. Her office phone is 412-279-5456 and her e-mail address is [white.leigh@gmail.com](mailto:white.leigh@gmail.com) She is sponsored by Mary Ann Paff. The Board of Directors will vote on her membership application (Classification of Community & Economic Development) soon but until then, please be sure to introduce yourself to Leigh and welcome her to the Club.

SCHEDULE CHANGE: *The District Governor's visit has been changed to September 18<sup>th</sup> District Governor Jim Kunkelmann will make his Official Visit to the Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club then. We would like a nice turnout for this annual event so we need you to check and mark your busy schedules so that you make that meeting.*

Visiting Rotarians:  
None

Guests:  
Prospective new member Leigh White with the Club

You Were Missed:  
Jack Abriola, Mark Brilmyer, Dave Brosky, Ralph Ellis, Gordon Giffin, Chris Green, Jeremy Guthrie, Rick Hess, Jeff Kennell, Bob Schuler, Adrian Van Balen, Scott Venetti, Frank Verri, Ollie Weiss, & Dan Westphal  
PLEASE BRING IN THOSE MAKE UPS!!!

Make-Ups:  
None

Birthdays in August:  
Diane Heburn – 8/3/47 (61 years old)  
Joe Trompeter – 8/10/48 (60 years old)

Chris Green – 8/10/49 (59 years old)  
Curt Henry – 8/16/59 (49 years old)  
Cindi Hewitt – 8/16/52 (56 years old)  
Diane Karcz – 8/20/52 (56 years old)  
Ralph Ellis – 8/21/20 (88 years old)

Rotary Anniversary in August:  
Diane Karcz - 8/2/05 (3 years)  
Frank Verri – 8/14/01 (7 years)  
Rick Hess – 8/25/84 (24 years)

Wedding Anniversary in August:  
Jeff & Kathy Kennell – 8/26/88 (20 years)

Future Greeters -  
August 28 –, Guthrie, Schuler  
September 4 –, Guthrie, Schuler  
September 11 – Guthrie, Schuler  
September 18 – Guthrie, Schuler  
September 25 - Trompeter, Van Balen

**The 50-50 Raffle:**  
**WEEK 5: Adrienne Jellison won and pulled a THREE winning \$5.00. The Kitty got \$17.00. The Pot is \$89.00 with 45 cards left plus the Joker!**

**GREETERS (& 50/50 Ticket Sellers)**  
**NEXT MEETING:**  
**Jeremy Guthrie**  
**Bob Schuler**

Calendar of Events -  
August 24 – October 7 – Rich Meyer with GSE Team in Norway plus  
September 4-6 – Carnegie Arts and Heritage Festival  
September 12-13 – Rock The Quarry in Collier  
September 18 – Official District Governor Visit  
November 11 – World Affairs Council on what the new administration might bring

Future Programs -  
August 28 – LA Fitness Health Center  
September 4 – Bob Dewitt, Boy Scouts of America  
September 11 – Club Assembly  
September 18 – District Governor's Visit  
September 25 – Doug Styles