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Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club's Rich Meyer and his Norway Adventure!

From his e-mail dated 9/6/2008: "Norway is very beautiful and the Rotarians over here have treated us like VIP's. Our team spent the first 8 days in Trodheim and stayed with host families. We presented my 14 minute video about Pittsburgh, "The Best of Pittsburgh" along with another 3:30 video called "Pittsburgh WOW!" We combined these two videos with our PowerPoint presentation about each of our team members. I spoke to the Rotary Club of Trodheim on 8/27 and our team did our first big presentation on 8/28 to the Rotary Club of Lade. Trondheim is located on a fjord that extends well into Norway's central area. Picture San Francisco Bay with hot blonde college women/models riding around on bicycles and you've got Trondheim. Trondheim is Norway's third largest city with 160,000 residents plus 30,000 college students. I wish I was 20-25 years younger! We arrived in Kristiansund on 9/2 and we will be here until 9/9. We helped celebrate the Rotary Club of Kristiansund's 60th anniversary last night and we will give our presentation to three Rotary Clubs on Monday (Kristiansund, Fosna, & Fitna). Tuesday we will give a presentation to the Sunndal Rotary Club. So far, I have visited two insurance companies, Trygg Vista and Engdal Assurance. I also got to visit Trondheim Energy's Hydro-Electric Plant, which is located inside a mountain. Bill Peduto, Jamie Glasser, and I spent two days with Trondheim's city planned. He showed us their water supply and how they get rid of garbage (no landfill in allowed in Norway). We will visit Norway's offshore oil industry on Monday as well as, their offshore waste management. It is very expensive over here. A cheap draft beer costs \$12.00 US and a six pack of Heineken costs \$50.00 US! The Carnegie fall festival looks like it went well. Our tram had the day off last Saturday, so we took a three hour train ride to the old mining town of Roros. Rotarians there took us to a copper mine that was in operation from 1650 until 1972. That's all for now. Say hi to everyone for me!"

On September 18th, when **District Governor Jim Kunkelmann** makes his official visit to the Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club he has requested a meeting with the Officers and Board members 30 minutes before the regular meeting. So if your name in on the Officers page of the Sprocket as an Officer or a member of the Board of Directors, please mark your calendars so that you arrive at Nevillewood by 11:30 AM on Thursday, September 18th. We would like all officers and board members to attend and we would like as

many other members of the Club to attend the regular meeting so we can show the visiting District Governor our support!

Announcements:

President Dave talked about how much fun he had playing the Chapman Stick at the Arts and Heritage Festival this past weekend. He had a great time with us pushing beer on Thursday night and then played on Sat. This picture shows how "into it" **Dave** was on Sat. **Dave** will again be playing

at the Rock The Quarry event this Friday and Sat. to celebrate and raise money for the Panhandle Trail in Collier. He will be playing at 12 Noon on Sat. the 13th so get out to Walker's Mill and look for the signs that take you to the Rock the Quarry event!

We were visited by two prospective new members today. The first is **K. M. Phanse, M.D.** who actually is a member of another Rotary Club but is transferring to our Club because it is closer to where she lives (Nevillewood). **Kay** will have her membership transferred to our club so greet her like a new member the next time you see her. The other prospective new member is **Edgardo LaBruna**, an Argentine from Brazil who lives in Nevillewood and works for Siemens. His father was a Rotarian in Argentina and **Ed** grew up participating in Rotary Events (similar to the way my kids grew up in Rotary and provided Rotary Service whenever possible). **Ed** has turned in his application and both will be voted on by the Board of Directors at its next meeting. Welcome to the Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club and please keep coming to the meetings, even if you are not "Official" yet!!!

CLUB ASSEMBLY:

Community Service: **Diane Karcz** was absent, no report.

Lunch Fund: Lunch Fund Treasurer **John Mendenhall** reported a **Lunch Fund balance of \$10,996.48** as of September 1, 2008





September: New Generations Month



President David Brosky

RI, 2008-2009 Theme

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer John Mendenhall reported an **Operating Account balance** of \$1,416.82 as of September 1, 2008. The **Charities Account balance** is \$16,589.45 as of 9/1/08.

Carnegie Foundation Report: Gordon Giffin was present and answered a number of questions of the Carnegie Rotary Club Foundation, it's history, it's officers, it's goals, how and where it's funds come from. Outside of a bequest from the estate of the late John DeFonso and a significant amount of donations from the Red Miley Memorial Fund, most of the money raised for the Foundation comes from the Club or individuals who donate. Many have chosen to donate through the Lunch Fund on a weekly basis: for example, at a \$2.00 a week donation level to the Foundation, you are billed monthly through the Lunch Fund and your total at the end of the year at this weekly level is \$100.00. You receive written documentation for tax purposes and you and the Foundation benefit, in an almost painless way. The level of donation per week is whatever you desire with the range being \$1 up to \$20 per week at this time. Each Club member is offered the chance to sign up in January and then again in July if they want to. But anyone can join at any time – just see **John Mendenhall** and fill out a brief form.

International Service: No Report.

Attendance Report: John Mendenhall reported an August attendance figure of 72.1%.

Club Service: Rich Meyer reported is out of the country – nor report except for the above e-mail.

Vocational Service: Ted Katz and his signage committee are getting close to having some signs up around the area and have on order a Rotary Meets Here plaque to Nevillewood to display.

District Projects: See Calendar!

Carlynton Interact Club: Rich Meyer was out of the country, no report.

Rotary Foundation: No report.

Special Events: Check the Calendar!!!

Magazine Report: George Haudenschild gave a very good report on an article from the August issue of the Rotary Magazine titled "Rotary Basics" which is a brief 4 page summary of things about Rotary and the RI Foundation that many Rotarians, new and old, may not know. We are looking into incorporating this information in our materials so that we can all be on the same level of Rotary knowledge. Good Job **George!**

Visiting Rotarians:
None

Guests:

Prospective New Members Ed LaBruna and Kay Phanse with Cindi Hewitt and the Club

You Were Missed:

Jack Abriola, Mark Brilmyer, Eileen Dombrowski, Ralph Ellis, Chris Green, Jeremy Guthrie, Diane Heburn, Curt Henry, Rick Hess, Adrienne Jellison, Diane Karcz, Mary Lou Kientz, Rich Meyer, Marci Petkovich, Bob Schuler, Adrian Van Balen, Scott Venetti, Frank Verri, Ollie Weiss, Leigh White, & Larry Wind

PLEASE BRING IN THOSE MAKE UPS!!!

Make-Ups:

Rich Meyer at all the Clubs he is attending in Norway

Birthdays in September:

Mark Tamilia – 9/3/51 (57 years old)
Dan Westphal – 9/14/62 (46 years old)
Ray Losego – 9/20/56 (52 years old)

Rotary Anniversary in September:

Patty John - 9/14/04 (4 years)
Ray Dodd – 9/25/86 (22 years)
Rich Meyer – 9/25/89 (19 years)
Sue Kelly – 9/28/00 (8 years)

Wedding Anniversary in September:

Ralph & Marge Ellis – 9/17/49 (59 years)
Jeremy & Sarah Guthrie – 9/22/07 (1 year)
Scott & Ann Venetti – 9/29/84 (24 years)

Future Greeters -

September 18 – Guthrie, Schuler
September 25 – White, Tindall
October 2 – White, Tindall
October 9 – White Tindall
October 16 – White Tindall

The 50-50 Raffle:

WEEK 8: George Adams won and pulled a SIX winning \$6.00. The Kitty got \$13.00. The Pot is \$127.00 with 42 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 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 -

September 18 – District Governor's Visit
September 25 – Doug Still from Stiles Machinery
October 2 – Gavin Deming from the Western PA Conservancy
October 9 – Club Assembly
October 16 – Don Brainerd – Comical Magician, "the Great Braindini"
October 23 – Rick Miller – Abraham Lincoln Impersonator