

# S P R OCKET

"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

*Award Winning Internationally Read Bulletin of the Carnegie Rotary Club* Editor: John T. Mendenhall, Jr.

Celebrating 86 years of "Service Above Self" on February 14, 2010

Thursday, March 25, 2010

www.carnegie-collierrotary.org

Vol. 86, No. 28

## Big Event News:

The 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Carnegie-Collier Rotary Big Event will be held at The Club at Nevillewood on Saturday, April 17, 2010. We have sold, as of today, March 25, 2010, 209 tickets leaving 16 left to get to our minimal level of 225 tickets sold. **WE ONLY HAVE TWO WEEKS LEFT TO SELL THE TICKETS BEFORE TICKET SALES ARE STOPPED TO THE ACCOUNTING AND TICKET PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION CAN OCCUR!!! WE NEED EVERYONE TO CONTACT THEIR PEOPLE AND GET THESE FINAL TICKETS IN!!!** At the rate tickets are coming in we will make our 225 but it looks very unlikely to get the 20 or so extra tickets we have become accustomed to the last few years. This means less income from the **BIG EVENT** and less profit for our Charities for incoming **President Ted Katz to work with!** We will be having a Big Event Committee meeting at Patty John's house sometime soon to go over prizes, etc. If you have arranged a major prize, please get a hold of it and get it to John Mendenhall for safe keeping until the event. If you have gift certificates, other small prizes, or wine or other liquor please get it over to Marci Petkovich at Puhlman Flower Shoppe on Main Street in Carnegie so that the Chinese Auction baskets can be made up. There is still much work to be done for have our 27<sup>th</sup> Big Event to be as much fun as we know it can be so don't think that just because tickets are **ALMOST** sold out that your job is done! **Let's put on a big push in these last 2 weeks and prepare for a great evening.**

Our Speaker today was **Kevin Gorman**, sports writer for the Tribune Review. A Baldwin native who went to Point Park and then Penn State with a journalism major, **Kevin** has always been interested in sports, since he was 6 years old and his dad took him to Mt. Lebanon High School football games to watch his cousin play. Although only 37, he has served internships since college in Memphis, Dallas, and Kansas City before returning home to Pittsburgh. He feels very blessed to cover his hometown sports teams from high school to the pros.



His Q and A session covered a number of topics including Pitt Basketball Head Coach **Jamie Dixon** and whether he will stay in Pittsburgh or be lured to another school and if Pitt should join the Big Ten if asked! We thank **Rich Meyer** for bringing in **Kevin** and we could have talked sports for much longer!!!

### Announcements:

Our newest member was given his Rotary Pin, his Rotary Plaques, and his Carnegie-Collier Club Directory today by President Diane. Now he is an official member of our great club and you should introduce yourself. Last week's Sprocket contained an error – Tilden is sponsored by Ed LaBruna and not Dana Craig as it said (sometimes I know the editor is an idiot!!!)

**BIG EVENT TICKET SALES:**  
**209 SOLD**  
**16 TO GO**  
**2 WEEKS LEFT!**

**NOTICE OF DATE CHANGE** The GSE Team from Argentina will be hosted to a Welcome to the District reception on Thursday, May 6, 2010 at 6 to 9 PM at Cefalo's



March: Sell Out The Big Event Month

R I. 2009-2010 Theme

President Diane L. Karcz

Restaurant in Carnegie. It cost is \$15.00 for appetizers, cash bar. RSVP to Ed Grimes at 412-921-1325 by April 30<sup>th</sup>

MARK June 11<sup>th</sup> off on your calendar, especially if you like WINE because the Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club is sponsoring its first Wine Tasting Charity Event. Sue Kelly and Ed LaBruna are the Co-chairs of this new endeavor which will take place in the Ballroom at Nevillewood on that Friday evening. Current committee people include President Diane, Secretary Kay, and Ruth Forsyth, Mark Tamilia, Patty John, and Charles Oke. If interested in joining the committee, talk to Sue or Ed about their committee meetings. Otherwise, mark you calendars and buy your tickets when they are available.

Our newest member to submit their application for Board approval is **Bonnie K. Smith**. Bonnie works for Thermo Fisher Scientific and her Club classification is Business Services and Global IT. She and her husband **Steve** live at 2050 English Turn Drive in Presto and she is sponsored by **Kay Phanse**. The Board will address her application at their next



meeting on April 12<sup>th</sup>. But in the mean time please introduce yourself to Bonnie and make her welcome!

**Visiting Rotarians:**

Cindy Sakala from Greentree Rotary Club

**Guests:**

Melissa Kehl and Colleen Narcaskey with Kay Phanse

Tina Mindicino with Ruth Forsyth

William Artzberger with Mary Lou Kientz

**You Were Missed:**

George Adams, Dana Craig, Ray Dodd, Eileen Dombrowski, Jeremy Guthrie, Rick Hess, Adrienne Jellison, Ed LaBruna, Joann Letcher, Bob Schuler, Adrian Van Balen, Ollie Weiss, & Larry Wind  
**PLEASE BRING IN THOSE MAKE UPS!!!**

**Make-Ups:**

None

**Birthdays in March:**

Dana Craig – 3/4/54 (55 years old)

Adrienne Jellison – 3/9/61 (49 years old)

Bob Schuler – 3/20/35 (75 years old)

Jeremy Guthrie – 3/28/80 (30 years old)

**Rotary Anniversary in February:**

Curt Henry – 3/11/03 (7 years)

George Adams – 3/25/83 (27 years)

Gordon Giffin – 3/25/85 (25 years)

Kay Downey-Clarke – 3/26/09 (1 year)

Lou Holzer – 3/26/09 (1 year)

**Wedding Anniversary in March:**

Debbie & Gordon Giffin – 3/5/77 (33 years)

Ed & Felicitas LaBruna – 3/7/99 (11 years)

Patty John & Bob Datig – 3/31/00 (10 years)

**Future Greeters -**

April 1 – Giffin, Guthrie

April 8 – Haudenshield, Henry

April 15 – Hess, Holzer

April 22 –

April 29 -

**The 50-50 Raffle:**

Week 7: Mark Tamilia won and pulled a KING winning \$10.00. The Kitty got \$18.00. The Pot is \$131.00 with 44 cards left plus the Joker

**GREETERS (& 50/50 Ticket Sellers)  
NEXT MEETING:**

Gordon Giffin  
Jeremy Guthrie

**Calendar of Events -**

April 17 – District Assembly for incoming Club officers and committee chairs

April 17 – 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Big Event

April 24 – Carnegie Volunteer Fire Department

5K run/walk Fundraiser

April 28 – Ethics Symposium

May 6 – Welcome Reception for the GSE Team from Argentina at Cefalo's in Carnegie

May 13-16 – District Conference, Oglebay, WV

May 22 – Relay For Life

May 30 – Carnegie Memorial Day Parade

June 11 – Wine Tasting Fund Raiser, Nevillewood

Country Club

June 17 – President's Dinner at Nevillewood

June 20-23 – RI Conference, Montreal Canada

**Future Programs -**

April 1 – Jo Posti, PA American Water Co.

April 8 – Club Assembly

April 15 – Matt Aleisio, College Football Referee

April 22 – Michael Kavic, Winery

April 29 -