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WELCOME BACK TO NEVILLEWOOD

Big Event News: The 26th Annual Carnegie-Collier Rotary Big Event will be held at The Club at Nevillewood on Saturday, April 4, 2009 (Only 8 weeks away). Ticket prices will remain at \$125 per person with the option of adding a Booster Ticket for \$50.00 (for family or friend to attend with you, enjoy the food and fellowship – but no prize number assigned). Again we will offer the \$100.00 No Show ticket which gets you a number for a chance to win a prize even though you can't make the event. One change in addition to the location will be the elimination of the Open Bar. We will provide 2 drink tickets for all regular tickets and booster tickets. After the 2 drinks you will be able to purchase additional drink tickets. Coffee, Ice Tea, and Soft Drinks will be free. We want to sell at least 225 tickets and the Board approved the assessment through the Lunch Fund the cost of 3 No Show Big Event Tickets (\$300.00) to every member of the Club. These assessments when out with LF Bills today. If you are planning on buying/selling your BE tickets on your own, please do that ASAP and disregard the LF assessment. When your tickets come in this month, the assessment will be gone on your next LF bill in March. If you do pay through the LF, remember that these are NO SHOW tickets and to attend you will need to pay an additional \$25.00 per ticket to convert them from NO SHOW to regular. Any questions as John Mendenhall. With the move to Nevillewood and in these economic times we are down a few Major Prizes (\$150.00 value or more) for the Reverse Raffle. If you wish to donate a Major Prize or get someone to, please do it and let Rick Hess know ASAP so that we can know where we stand. Our Chinese Auction is again being run by Marci so any smaller donations, gift certificates, etc. should be dropped off at Puhlman Flower Shoppe soon. WE ONLY HAVE 8 WEEKS LEFT UNTIL THE EVENT AND ABOUT 6 ½ WEEKS LEFT TO SELL TICKETS SO PLEASE DON'T DELAY – LET'S GET IT DONE AND MAKE THIS 26TH ANNUAL ONE AND THE FIRST ONE AT NEVILLEWOOD THE BEST EVER!!!

BIG EVENT TICKET SALES:

55 SOLD

170 TO GO

8 WEEKS LEFT!

Announcements:

ADG Sue Kelly announced that the Rotary Club of Moon, Parkway West, Aliquippa and Quaker Valley will be holding a St. Patrick's Day Party on Tuesday, 3/17/2009 from 6 PM to 10 PM at the Airport Doubletree Hotel. The cost is \$25.00 and will cover Hors d'oeuvres, music, dancing, and prizes. There will be a cash bar. See Sue for more details

Mary Ann Paff will again head the annual Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club St. Patrick's Day luncheon with the handicapped

workers at Par-way Industries in Bridgeville. She will be asking members to volunteer to attend this noon time even on Tuesday, March 17th.

CLUB ASSEMBLY:

Community Service: Diane Karcz introduced two



people from our charities so report to us on their activities. Bobbie Rimkus from the South Hills YWCA reported on the Camp Aim summer camp that has been held at Carlynton High School for the last few summers. We have supported them for years and although we gave

them our donation last summer it was nice to hear about their good deeds and great success. We heard from Larry Jones representing Carnegie Boy Scout Troop #831. They currently have 20 scouts and almost that many volunteers. The boys each year raise funds to sponsor a trip for the troop and this year they will be going to New York City. They have two scouts currently doing or planning Eagle Scout projects including a rehab of the Carnegie Park Shelter and painting the fence at the tennis court at the park. The national average for troops is to have 4% for their members actually finish their Eagle Scout projects while troop #831 is averaging 9% which shows great leadership within the troop. Great Job!!!



Lunch Fund: Lunch Fund Treasurer John Mendenhall reported a Lunch Fund balance of \$7,749.72 as of February 1, 2009

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer John Mendenhall reported an Operating Account balance of \$2,253.50 as of February 1, 2009. The Charities Account balance is \$11,113.10 as of 2/1/09.

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Foundation Report:

Gordon Giffin gave us an update on the Foundation and received a check from Dave Brosky for \$1,250.00 for our Club's annual donation to our Foundation. We will be sponsoring 4 scholarships this spring and the 2009 applications will be at the three high schools





February: World Understanding Month

President David Brosky

R.I. 2008-2009 Theme

(Carlynton, Chartiers Valley, and Bishop Canevin) soon.

International Service: **Patty John** received an e-mail from **Mike Disen**, our Peace Corps Volunteer who is in Lesotho in the middle of South Africa. We will be supporting **Mike's** activities as he teaches local teachers how to be better teachers and to all available supplies in a better fashion. Our Club will be providing **Mike** with \$500.00 to further his efforts and in addition would ask anyone who can donate school supplies to consider donating them to **Mike's** efforts.

Attendance Report: **John Mendenhall** reported an attendance figure of 76.0% for January, 2009.

Club Service: **Rich Meyer** reported on upcoming programs which you should check to adjust your calendar for the changes.

Vocational Service: **Ted Katz** reported nothing new to report.

District Projects: See Calendar!

Carlynton Interact Club: **Interact Club** members



were present and reported on their activities. They had an "Adopt a Grandparent" project at Christmas which everyone enjoyed. Their big project is their Big 2nd Annual "Battle of the Bands" set for March 7, 2009. Profits will go to Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh. Our Club donated \$500.00 for

operating funds to help make sure their battle of the bands is a great success. They will also be helping with the Relay For Life event in June and have already started to collect dimes (and other change) for this event. Great Job kids!!!



Rotary Foundation:

Mark Brilmyer presented our newest Paul Harris Fellow, **Cindi Hewitt**, with her certificate and pin indicating that Cindi had contributed \$1,000.00 to the Rotary International Foundation.

Special Events: Check the Calendar!!!

Magazine Report: **George Haudenschild** reported on the February issue of the Rotarian magazine and said the editor has spiced up interest in the magazine with a picture of **Katherine Jenkins**, Welsh superstar opera singer who will sing at the RI Convention on June 20, 2009. Almost worth the cost of the convention!!! He also said the comic book style telling of the story of polio is very much worth the time to read it (I do agree there!). Thanks for the great report **George!**

Visiting Rotarians:

None

Guests:

Carlynton Interact Club members with the Club
Bobbie Rimkus from South Hills YMCA with the Club
Larry Jones from Carnegie Boy Scout Troop #831 with the Club

You Were Missed:

Jack Abriola, Diane Heburn, Adrienne Jellison, Ed LaBruna, Marci Petkovich, Kay Phanse, Bob Schuler, Adrian Van Balen, Ollie Weiss, Dan Westphal, & Larry Wind
PLEASE BRING IN THOSE MAKE UPS!!!

Make-Ups:

None

Birthdays in February:

Eileen Dombrowski – 2/20/81 (28 years)

Rotary Anniversary in February:

Mark Tamilia – 2/2/99 (10 years)
Cindi Hewitt – 2/14/08 (1 year)
Mary Lou Kientz – 2/14/08 (1 year)
Marci Petkovich – 2/25/89 (20 years)

Wedding Anniversary in February:

Bob & Rose Marie Schuler – 2/6/60 (49 years)

Future Greeters -

February 19 – Hewitt, Iorio
February 26 – Jackson, Jellison
March 5 – John, Karcz
March 12 – Katz, Kelly

The 50-50 Raffle:

WEEK 24: Mark Tamilia won and pulled a SEVEN winning \$7.00. The Kitty got \$18.00. The Pot is \$366.00 with 24 cards left plus the Joker!

GREETERS (& 50/50 Ticket Sellers)

NEXT MEETING:

Cindi Hewitt
Rick Iorio

Calendar of Events -

March 14 – Bridgeville-South Fayette Rotary Club's 22nd Annual Hickory Wintery Golf Outing
April 4, 2009 – Big Event
April 29, 2009 - Ethics Symposium
May 14-17, 2009 – District Conference, Erie Area
May 30-31, 2009 – Relay For Life, Carlynton High School
June 21-24, 2009 – RI Convention, Birmingham, England

Future Programs -

February 19 – Gail Neustadt – Wellspouse Association
February 26 – Gary Augustine – The American Civil War
March 5 – Jeff Tindall
March 12 – Club Assembly
March 19 – Rich Meyer on the GSE Trip to Norway