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## Pittsburgh West Relay For Life at Carlynton HS

The Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club will be participating in the Pittsburgh West Relay for Life up at the Carlynton High School track from 12 Noon Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> to 8 AM Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. We have been a sponsor of this worthwhile Community Event ever since it was started 7 years ago and have our logo/name on the T-shirts that all participants receive! We additionally have a banner at the event and are mentioned as a sponsor in the event program. We also have a Team that actually participates in the 20 hour Relay. Today, Team **Captain John Mendenhall** is requesting volunteer to sign up for the Team! Please see him next week if you wish to sign up to participate as a Team Member. Rotary is also looking for donations to the Relay. We are requesting that all members give a minimum of \$30 donation to the American Cancer Society. You will find a \$30.00 donation placed on your Lunch Fund Bill next week. If you do not wish to make this donation please just pay your balance due without the \$30.00 added. If you wish to write a check for your donation please make it out to American Cancer Society. There is an additional way to donate to the American Cancer Society and to honor the memory of a family member or friend who lost their battle to cancer or to recognize a family or friend to survived cancer to purchase a Luminaria. For a donation of \$10, you can dedicate a Luminaria to whomever. All the Luminaria will be placed around the track at the high school and at 9 PM on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> there will be a special ceremony and all the Luminaria will be lit. They continue to burn through the night and are quite impressive for those of us who are up there for the evening/overnight shifts! Luminaria Forms may be gotten from our Captain (the Luminaria donation does count towards our Team Donation total). We will have a "Camp site" up at the track (thanks to **Gordon Giffin**) and **Marci** and **Sue** will be in charge of decorating it. If you have not seen a Relay for Life but do not have the time to walk, you are certainly welcome to come up to the high school and visit the Rotary Tent and take in the atmosphere of a Relay! And if you are a night owl you can come up in the middle of the night and see what is going on!

The Carnegie-Collier Rotary Club and the Wine Tasting Committee presented it's kick-off announcement today for the upcoming 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Wine Tasting Extravaganza called "**SIP FOR HUNGER**"

(**Supporting Important Projects** like the Meal Fights Hunger and other local hunger programs) The Event will be held at Nevillewood on Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup> with a VIP wine tasting/educational event from 6:30 to 7:30 pm followed by the Grand Tasting Party from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Tickets for the VIP event are \$100.00 and is limited to 75 participants. The Grand Tasting Only ticket is \$50.00. Hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served as well as wine samples. The event is being run through the District 7300 Rotary Foundation Corp. for corporate tax exempt status so checks for tickets **MUST** be written to District 7300 Rotary Foundation Corporation and **not** Carnegie-Collier Rotary. Promotional material was handed out today with additional information to follow.

Mark your calendars and get your friends involved and get your ticket applications and money in ASAP.

### Announcements:

Our program today was **Michael Kavic**, owner of Michael Stephen Kavic Winery located at 1013 Campbell's Run Road near Carnegie. It seems hard to put your mind around a winery that doesn't actually have land upon which they grow the grapes for the wine bottled at the winery but these guys actually do it! **Michael**, a friend of **Rich Meyer** for 30 years and former general surgeon, and his wife **Patricia** have always had an interest in wines, making it in their basement for years. As his surgery career closed in on retirement, they looked into developing their love of wines and wine making and, after 2 years of dealing with the state of Pennsylvania bureaucracy, lot their license and opened up their winery. They buy their grapes from Ohio and Pennsylvania and have them crushed and sent to their winery where the magic happens. **Michael** gave us a virtual tour of the manufacturing of their wines and told any who wished to visit their store could see it in person if they wished. They



March: Sell Out The Big Event Month

RI. 2009-2010 Theme

President Diane L. Karcz

then honored us with a tasting of 4 of their award winning wines, 2 red and 2 white which tasted great! Thanks Rich for having such great friends that also provide such interesting programs!

Today VP Ted Katz ran the meeting and inducted our newest member, Bonnie Smith. Although she have been a member for a month and participated in the Big Event and the upcoming Wine Tasting



Extravaganza, we have not been able to present her with her Rotary pin, badge, Rotary plaques, and her copy of the Directory. Now she has them and with act as a greeter for four weeks so be sure to welcome her to the Club!

Mark Tamilia got a call from the Greentree Rotary Club asking for him to announce their golf outing on Monday, May 17th at Chartiers Country Club. The cost is \$130 and if interested contact Mark or any Greentree Rotarian.

Visiting Rotarians:

None

Guests:

Mary Iorio, Karen Herman and Lenny Tominski with Rick Iorio

Vinoo Kathpac with Kay Phanse

You Were Missed:

Tilden Bennett, Mark Brilmyer, Andrew Clark, Dana Craig, Eileen Dombrowski, Gordon Giffin, George Haudenshield, Curt Henry, Rick Hess, Patty John, Diane Karcz, Sue Kelly, Marci Petkovich, Bob Schuler, Adrian Van Balen, Judi Van Balen, Ollie Weiss, & Larry Wind PLEASE BRING IN THOSE MAKE UPS!!!

Make-Ups:

4/19/2010 - Fred Jackson at Dormont-Mt. Lebanon-Castle Shannon Rotary Club

Birthdays in April:

- Ray Dodd - 4/1/38 (72 years old)
Frank Verri - 4/16/71 (39 years)
Ollie Weiss - 4/21/64 (46 years old)
Patty John - 4/23/60 (50 years old)
Fred Jackson - 4/23/25 (85 years old)
Rick Iorio - 4/28/53 (57 years old)
Adrian Van Balen - 4/30/29 (81 years old)

Rotary Anniversary in April:

- Mary Ann Paff - 4/2/02 (8 years)
Jack Abriola - 4/5/94 (15 years)
Ted Katz - 4/6/04 (6 years)

Wedding Anniversary in April:

- Kay Downey-Clarke & Gerry - 4/13/91 (20 years)
Rick & Mary Iorio - 4/22/78 (32 years)

Future Greeters -

- May 6 - Iorio, Smith
May 13 - Jackson, Smith
May 20 - Jellison, Smith
May 27 - John, Smith
June 3 - Katz, Kelly
June 10 - Kientz, LaBruna
June 17 - No Meeting, President's Dinner

The 50-50 Raffle:

Week 12: The number was pulled but no one came forward with the winning ticket. The Kitty gets it all (\$18.00). The Pot is \$225.00 with 39 cards left plus the Joker!

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

Rick Iorio
Bonnie Smith

Calendar of Events -

- May 6 - Welcome Reception for the GSE Team from Argentina at Cefalo's in Carnegie
May 13-16 - District Conference, Oglebay, WV
May 17 - Greentree Rotary Golf Outing
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 -

- May 6 - Erin Tipping, Andrew Carnegie Free Library
May 13 - Joint Meeting at Green Tree Rotary, 8th floor, Best Western Hotel at Parkway Center
May 20 - Ron Cehelsky, Baby Boomers and Beyond Reality
May 27 - Suzanne Masartis, American Liver Foundation
June 3 - ?
June 10 - Club Assembly
June 17 - President's Dinner, NO regular meeting