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The Newsletter of the Westtown-Goshen Rotary Club

October 16, 2008

Special Election on October 23d – At our meeting on the 23d, an election will be held to change the order of succession to the presidency of We-GO. Currently, Leo Gibbons is President-Elect and Jeff Penfil is a Board member. The proposal, if approved by the membership, will change Jeff to President-Elect and Leo to Vice-President. As such, Jeff will automatically become President of We-Go for the 2009-2010 Rotary year. This change has been necessitated by Leo’s current Medical Leave of Absence to care for his wife, Mary Beth, who is recovering from surgery. We appreciate Jeff’s willingness to undertake this accelerated responsibility.

Word from Hong Kong from Brendon – “I can’t be happier with my decision of attending. The subject matter is fascinating But I must admit: adjusting to this new life is a bit difficult to me. It is proving to be a stark contrast from my undergraduate career. While my life at WCU was heavy in extracurricular activities, here it is confined to reading, writing, night classes, followed by more reading.” If you would like a copy of Brendon’s remarks see Bob Bielski.

Road Clean-Up on November 8th – Joe Cunnane and his crew will clean our stretch of Pa 926 on the 8th of November. See Joe if you would like to participate. It is likely you would receive a free breakfast from Nick Christie.

Gross Receipts from Duck Race – Ann Trevisan reports that the gross receipts from October 4th Duck Race amounts to approximately \$26,000. There are a few members who have not turned in checks for ticket sales; **please do so by October 31**. There are several outstanding bills to be paid before We-Go will know what are net receipts will be.

New Member in We-Go – Last Thursday night **Rick Hynes** Was inducted into We-Go by President Mark and Secretary Reese. Every member should introduce himself or herself to Rick. Rick was sponsored by Seth Birch.

Board of Directors Meeting – The officers and members of the Board held their monthly meeting on Friday, October 10 at the West Chester Senior Center.

Salvation Army Food Drive – Dale Yeager has organized a team for distributing hand-out brochures for the Salvation Army Food Drive and a team to pick up the food a few days later. Brochures will be distributed on Saturday, November 8th, and pick-up of food items will occur on Tuesday, November 11th.

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Viet Nam Program on October 9th – Bud Bruton, a Viet Nam Veteran, presented a program about U. S. veterans of the Viet Nam war travelling back to Viet Nam to assist the Vietnamese in building houses and schools along the war-torn DMZ. Bud Bruton served with the U.S. Army as a spotter plane pilot during the period of 1968-1969. His job was to find targets that the U.S. Air Force could destroy. He flew at tree-top level in a slow speed aircraft.

Bud felt that the U.S. military that served in Viet Nam never received honorable respect in serving our government's interest in that part of the world. He wondered what things were like in Nam where he had served in the late 60s. He decided to join a mission to Viet Nam sponsored by the Veterans Viet Nam Restoration Project. His first visit back to Viet Nam occurred in 2002. Teams of veterans, their family members, and others have made the trip to reconcile with the Vietnamese and to heal the emotional and spiritual wounds suffered in the war. Team members work alongside the Vietnamese in carrying out humanitarian projects such as housing for disabled veterans, vocational training centers, and primary schools.

Today, Bud Bruton is on the Board of Directors of the VVRP. His presentation was one of the best we have heard during the past several years. He has been back several times since 2002.

Some humor from Bob Thomas – Puns Intended

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

A backward poet writes inverse.

In a democracy it's your vote that counts. In feudalism it's your count that votes.

When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.

Don't join dangerous cults: Practice safe sects!