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**The Newsletter of the Westtown-Goshen Rotary Club**

May 7, 2007

**WAKE UP AND MAKE UP!...**Our Secretary **Reese Davis**, reported at or monthly board meeting that our club attendance is suffering these past two months. It's not looking good. We'll be lucky to hit the high eighties for attendance percentage. Our club prides itself on past attendance performance with percentages consistently in the low to mid-nineties. WeGo has typically held the pole position within the district for attendance. With so many opportunities to make up within our own club activities, plus the surrounding local clubs, there's no reason for attendance to suffer. Please do your best to make up and help our (your) club achieve top billing in the district again.

**MAY FESTIVAL CREWS SET...**Our Past President and future recycled President **Mark Rudiger**, has his "slushie" crews organized to sell frozen drinks to the masses at the annual Chester County Hospital May Festival on **Sunday, May 20th**. Mark reminds all of his crewmembers that past weather conditions or not guaranteed for future weather conditions (modified investor speak). As all of us experienced volunteers have learned in years past, the weather never cooperates. We're either selling frozen drinks during rainy, windy and 45-degree weather, or selling chicken Caesar salads on hot black pavement with temperatures approaching ninety degrees. Either way, come prepared! The pitching teams (get it, pitchers, drinks etc?) are as follows:

**STARTING PITCHERS: 10:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m., Mark Rudiger, Nick Christie, Seth Birch, Larry Whitaker, Keath Fetter, Travis Olszewski.**

**RELIEF PITCHERS: 1:15 p.m.-3:30 p.m., Bill Retallick, Ginny Zinni, Bob Bielski, Leo Gibbons, John O'Brien, Bob Thomas.**

**CLOSING PITCHERS: 3:30 p.m.-midnight, Harshad Dodia, Milt Stith, Kenton Stokes, Reese Davis, Jeff Toaltoan, Jeff Penfil.**

**SOMEBODY'S GOING TO UTAH...NOT!...**In our last issue we reported that some lucky person from WeGo would participate in the Rotary International convention in Utah this June. However, after careful planning and research conducted by President-elect **Larry Whitaker**, the added costs in addition to our \$1,000 stipend, would be too much due to late registration, lack of nearby hotels etc. If any member would like to go despite the additional costs, please see **President Govinda**. Next year we'll get on board a little sooner to capture the early bird registration discounts.

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**WEGO WEBSITE UPDATED...**Our webmaster **Seth Birch** has been busy updating our club's website. The board recently approved a \$7.00/month web hosting fee with a provider. Please check in the next week for the new WEGO website at [www.WEGORotary.com](http://www.WEGORotary.com).

**CONTACT INFORMATION REQUEST...**Every once in a blue moon it becomes necessary to update the membership roster and contact information. People move, leave the club, change emails etc., so housekeeping is in order. A new sheet is being circulated at the meetings. Please update accordingly, or contact **Reese Davis** if you live in Madagascar (my kids love that movie), are a Judge in court, live in Florida during the winter, or just plain don't come to meetings.

**BLEED AND LET LIVE...**It's been nearly 56 days since our last blood drive. **Lisa Balch** would like to remind everyone of this very important drive scheduled for Thursday May 10th at Penn Wood Elementary school from 12:30 to 6:30 p.m. If you haven't signed up yet there's still time.

**PRESIDENT'S DINNER IS SET...**Save the date, Thursday June 28th at 6:00 p.m. at Penn Oaks Country Club. **President Govinda** is arranging the change of command ceremony at a cost of \$34.00 per person. Dinner choices are Chicken Chesapeake, Atlantic Salmon, Filet Mignon or a Vegetarian plate. Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails provided by **President and Mrs. Govinda Malya**. Please sign the sign-up sheet being circulated at our regular meetings.

**MARCUS HOOK PIRATES FOR REAL!...**WeGo was treated to a very interesting story about a couple who bought an older home in Marcus Hook that turned out to be an archeological dig for remnants of Captain Blackbeard. Mike Minerchia and his wife purchased the home several years ago and were planning to live in it until Mike fell through the subfloor to a foot of dust below. After the dust settled, Mike found pieces of broken plates that turned out to be very old. After consultation with specialists at Temple University, the decision was made to totally explore the house and property, and dig for artifacts of the legendary pirate. Legend has it that Blackbeard was a frequent visitor (don't know if they had frequent boater miles back then), to this house to see a certain lady, who ran a certain kind of business related the oldest profession in mankind. Mike is planning to expand his search for more of Blackbeard's artifacts and hopes to buy adjacent properties in the near future.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER...

<b>10 May</b>	<b>American Red Cross Blood Drive Penn Wood Elementary</b>
<b>20 May</b>	<b>Chester County Hospital May Festival</b>
<b>22 May</b>	<b>District Assembly, Delaware County Community College</b>
<b>23 May</b>	<b>Senator Robert J. Thompson Memorial Scholarship Dinner</b>
<b>27 June</b>	<b>District Governor installation Desmond Hotel</b>
<b>13-14 July</b>	<b>R.I. Presidential event regarding membership</b>
<b>23 Aug</b>	<b>Rotary Foundation, R.I.'s President's visit</b>

