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CHALLENGE MADE BY PHILLY AND ACCEPTED BY GREATER VALLEY FORGE SOCIAL EVENT TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 17th....LET THE GAMES BEGIN!

The Philadelphia chapter has issued the following Proclamation of Challenge to the Greater Valley Forge chapter which was accepted with vigor.

Whereas, the Philadelphia Chapter of the CPCU Society has served as the cornerstone of the community of Property and Casualty professionals in the watershed of the Delaware River for almost 50 years; and,

Whereas, the paternal benevolence of the Philadelphia Chapter has spawned the emergence of the Greater Valley Forge Chapter of the CPCU Society; and,

Whereas, the Greater Valley Forge Chapter has grown in strength since issuance of their Charter, therefore

The Philadelphia Chapter of the Society of CPCU does hereby issue this challenge to test the combined strength, dexterity, agility, and Chapter spirit of the Greater Valley Forge Chapter on a field of games and contests.

The Philadelphia Chapter invites the Board of Directors of the Greater Valley Forge Chapter to issue their joint response to this challenge in the affirmative by designating Co-Chairpersons and team captains for the various events no later than August 17, 1996.

The Philadelphia Chapter proposes that the events shall include but not limited to be: Softball, Halfball, Horseshoes, Volleyball, Dodgeball, Football, Football Toss, Relay Race, Chess/Checkers, Tug of War. Teams shall be comprised of Chapter members, spouses, significant others and children in pre-determined arrangements to assure equitable participation.

Furthermore, teams shall be configured to include a cross section of professional disciplines within the insurance profession.

The proposed location shall be the grounds of the Core Creek Park, located in Middletown Township, Bucks County, on Saturday August 17, 1996. Each Chapter shall underwrite (we're sure you know what that means) its proportion of the cost of the event according to its number of members in attendance.

The events shall be known as the 1996 DELAWARE VALLEY CPCU GAMES. The winner shall be entitled to display a ribbon on their Chapter banner proclaiming the victory. The cost of such ribbon to be borne by the losers.

Outgoing Philly Chapter President T.C.McDonnell, CPCU and incoming President Bruce Tuttle, CPCU stated "We can't settle who has the greater insurance expertise, but we surely know which chapter can kick butt on the field". In response, GVF chapter outgoing President Ernie Martino, CPCU and incoming President Linda Mendenhall, CPCU retorted "Everyone knows we have the greater expertise and after August 17th the entire Delaware Valley will know whose butt got was kicked. We may have the smaller chapter but we have the bigger heart. Besides, the bigger they are, the harder they fall....let the games begin".

Editors Note

OK, enough with the words. Actions always speak louder than words anyway and that's where you come in. We need volunteers for the different events that will be held. For Philly or Greater Valley Forge chapter teams you can call Mike McCarthy at 215-576-1500 for the adult games, or Bob Moore at 610-834-1410 to enter your kids or for information. Otherwise, simply indicate if you are willing to participate on your registration form.

Please keep in mind that it is not necessary to participate in the games. In fact, we suspect most of those coming to the picnic will be observers, cheerleaders, or simply there to have a great time at an inexpensive social event where your entire family and guests can participate and enjoy the day with your fellow CPCUs. We will supply the food and beverage, but feel free to bring along your own picnic basket if you wish. Sorry, no alcoholic beverages are allowed in Core Creek Park.

Core Creek Park is located in Middletown, Bucks county. This county owned facility has a beautiful scenic atmosphere with pavilions (in case it rains), picnic groves, horse trails, hiking trails, bike trails, boating, fishing piers, tot lots, athletic fields, telephones, comfort stations, barbecue grills, you name it....something for everyone. No longer will you have an excuse for not being able to get a baby sitter...bring the kids. If you are up to the challenge, please complete the registration form on the back and mail it with your check as soon as possible, but no later than August 10th. We expect a sellout, so get your reservations in early.

A Message From the Presidents:

**Linda Mendenhall, CPCU, Greater Valley Forge
Bruce Tuttle, CPCU, Philadelphia**

This issue of the Philadelphia Chapter interim Chaptergram is also being mailed to the Greater Valley Forge Chapter members. We really want this to be a successful joint social that will be held each year in traditional fashion. Our members rarely have an opportunity to get acquainted in a social atmosphere and what better way to do so than a day long fun and festive picnic. Philly chapter is doing most of the coordination for this year and GVF will take its turn hosting next year. This event is meant to break even but any loss will be subsidized by each chapter on a pro rata basis. We both look forward to kicking off our new chapter year with this picnic and hope to see as many of you as possible on August 17th. Please come out, enjoy and show your support.

Registration/Enrollment Form - August 17th Social, Core Creek Park 10:00am to 8:00pm

Mail reservation form and check to: Rick Lee, CPCU, c/o DVIT, 414 S. York Rd-suite 201 Hatboro, PA 19040

Cost is \$5 per person and includes parking and all the food, beverage, prizes and family entertainment.

Please reserve _____ adults and _____ children (ages: _____).

Enclosed is my check payable to: **Philadelphia Chapter CPCU** in the amount of \$ _____

Your Name _____ Phone #: Business _____ Home _____

Address _____

Chapter Affiliation (check one): _____ Philadelphia Chapter or _____ Greater Valley Forge Chapter

Directions and map of Core Creek Park picnic grounds will be mailed to you upon receipt of your reservation.

Please check any of the following if you are interested in participating in any of the events that are listed:

Hey, I'm not a wimp, sign me, my spouse/guest or children as follows (please insert an "x" in appropriate space):

Adult Events	Myself	Spouse/Guest	Children Events	Child#1	Child#2	Child#3	Child#4
Softball -5 inning, slow pitch			Horseshoes				
Halfball - Philly style			Sack Race				
Horseshoes			Relay Race				
Volleyball			Dodge ball				
Dodge ball			Pin the Tail				
Football - not the rough kind			Apple Bobbing				
Football Toss -who throws farthest			Jump Rope				
Relay Race			Dance Contest				
Chess			Checkers				
Checkers			Musical Chairs				
Tug of War			Water balloon Toss				

Referee _____ Sorry Charlie, I'm not up to any of the above, but I'll volunteer as a judge or referee for the _____ event

Tear off at the line below and mail the above form with your check no later than August 10th

Chapter Officers' Leadership Conference Meet the Challenges, See the Opportunities By: Bruce Tuttle, CPCU, Chapter President

This is this year's CPCU Society's theme, as introduced by Lawton Swan, CPCU, incoming president of the National CPCU Society, Sandra Loeb, CPCU (chapter First VP) and I met the challenge and see many opportunities as a result of our attending the successfully presented Chapter Officers' Leadership Conference in Hartford, Conn. for two days in May.

After a "back to basics" seminar about how the national and local societies are set-up, and an inspirational lecture, we separated to attend four seminars concerning: Chapter Building, Membership, Stewardship, and Visibility. Informational as these were, the *networking and breakout meetings* with our national director helped us to see that every chapter is facing similar successes and needs. A few thoughts that I came away with:

1. With all the downsizing and economic turmoil that is present these days, there are so many people still willing and able to volunteer their time and efforts to keep our society very professional, and do good deeds for our fellow man.
2. I am very proud to be a part of such a professional, elite section of the insurance industry. At meetings like this, you can almost feel the intellectual power in the air like you can sense the electricity in a summer lightning storm passing overhead.
3. We have a great deal of work to keep our Chapter as successful as we have been in the past. With your help and suggestions, the chapters executive board and committees can meet the challenges, and see the opportunities.

CONGRATULATIONS NEW DESIGNEES From Richard A. Ventura, CPCU, New Designee Chair

As Chairperson of the New Designee Committee, I'd like to extend a hearty welcome and congratulations to the following new designees who have successfully completed all of the exam and course requirements as of January, 1996 and have met the *necessary* experience and ethics requirements:

**GEORGETTE AMOROSO
GEORGIEANNA ANDERSON
BRIAN C. BLOCK
JOSEPH J. CAMPBELL
BRIAN S. COCHRAN
KENT J. COOKE
PAUL JOSEPH COOPER
MICHELLE R. FIELDS
LOUISE B. FLEMMING
ANDREW J. HAYTER
DONNA LANDES
MICHAEL S. MAC AULAY
THOMAS PATRICK NERNEY
PATRICK J. NOONE
MARTA ORTIZ
JEFFREY ROBERT SORI
THOMAS P. WEIANT
EDWARD H. DEVINE, JR.**

Again, congratulations and all of us here at the Philadelphia Chapter look forward to meeting and working with all of you in the future.