

Special Philadelphia Hospitality Trade Show Edition

Maintaining the Mission

n Monday, March 13th, vendors had the opportunity to showcase their products and services by speaking directly to decision makers from PVCMA member clubs at the Philadelphia Hospitality Trade Show, designed to directly advance the mission of Philadelphia Club Foundation. Please thank our generous patrons by allowing them the opportunity to earn your business. You may reference this publication or visit our online sponsor directory at any time at www.pvcma.org/sponsordirectory to find their contact information.

A special thanks goes out to the trade show committee for their hard work in preparing for this event: Mark Litrenta, CCM (Chairman), Dick Naumann, CCM, CCE, Rachel Frankwich, Rick Winland, Joel Inman, Jason Feller, Greg D'Alonzo, Justin Muir, Ryan Gunn and Carolyn Muessle. Greg and the staff at Aronimink Golf Club shared their beautiful facilities and, as always, made the execution of this event seamless.

Philadelphia Club Foundation (PCF) was created in 2003. PCF was the collaboration of several club managers, most notably Jeff McFadden, Alan Gamble and Chet Gratkowski. The purpose of the foundation was to enhance educational opportunities for existing Club Managers and students pursuing a degree in Club Management, as well as to contribute to the community through charitable giving.

The foundation began with some seed money, graciously donated by The Union League of Philadelphia,

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Iron Chef Announced



Tavistock Country Club's Iron Chefs - Greg Pfeffer, Executive Chef Kelly Morrow and Rich Phillips

he winner of the 2017 Philadelphia Iron Chef competition is Executive Chef Kelly Morrow from Tavistock Country Club! Chef Kelly and his team prepared Cider BBQ glazed pork belly with pink peppercorn and apple grits.

Thanks to the other generous clubs who also shared delightful small plates with attendees: Aronimink Golf Club, Berkshire Country Club, Merion Golf Club, Philadelphia Country Club, Philadelphia Cricket Club, Saucon Valley Country Club and Waynesborough Country Club.

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Meaningful Interactions

n response to feedback from vendors who said they wanted more than simply to share a sample or brochure with our managers, the Trade Show Committee introduced an initiative in 2014 to create more meaningful interactions at the Philadelphia Hospitality Trade Show. The tradition continued this year with improved engagement and lots of fun. In advance of the show, vendors were asked to define what a meaningful interaction would be for them. A sign was placed at each booth telling club managers how the vendors wanted them to participate. There were demos, conversation starters, taste tests, guessing games, etc. The activities were fun but, more

importantly, they began an interaction that resulted in a more meaningful experience for all involved.

In exchange for participation, vendors gave attendees raffle tickets for a chance to win one of two \$500 Best Buy gift cards. The winners of the raffle were Carpiu "C" Chereches of Rehoboth Beach Country Club and Harry Ginther of Green Valley Country Club.

The committee would like to thank all members who came out in support of Philadelphia Club Foundation and its vendor sponsors, especially volunteers assigned as ambassadors: Eric Beck, Aaron Grant, Paula Kelly, Joe Mendez, Jack Merget, James Nolan and Ralph Richardson.





Committee Chairman, Mark Litrenta, CCM and Best Buy Gift Card Raffle Winner, Carpiu "C" Chereches of Rehoboth Beach Country Club



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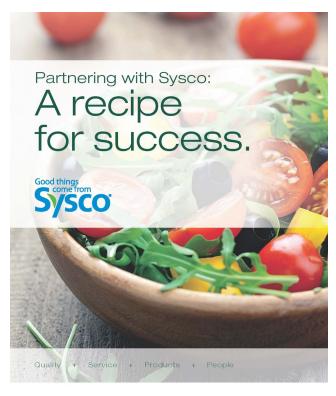












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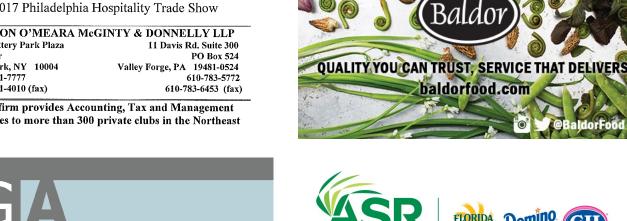
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and grew quickly from humble beginnings. At first, PCF committed to granting the Daniel Layman Scholarship (awarded to a student from Widener University) as well as tuition for CMAA's Business Management Institute (BMI) I, II or III and the CCM review course for managers pursuing their CCM designation. The foundation has recently achieved and exceeded its

original funding goal of \$500,000, enabling the foundation to grant three student scholarships and tuition for most BMI courses. PCF also covers expenses for monthly education sessions hosted by PVCMA.

PCF continues to evolve and grow its funding and will continue to look for more ways to achieve the two core missions: to support education and to donate to local charities. PVCMA members are encouraged to get involved in continuing to develop this program and to take advantage of the opportunities the scholarships present.



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