Pittsburgh Convention 2006

Tom Purvis, FFS Board of Directors

To report that the 2006 convention in Pittsburgh was a success would be an understatement! I am sure that elsewhere in this issue you will read much more about that wonderful weekend.

A very special event was included in the Friday evening schedule - a very moving tribute to Charles H. "Chick" Trafford, the long time editor and publisher of FRESH NEWS. It was my honor to present Chick with a beautiful art glass memento from the Convention Task Force and the Society. Sort of a Lifetime Achievement (but you are not done yet) Award.

Additionally, Four Freshmen Business Manager Joel Rothman presented a \$1,000.00 donation to Habitat for Humanity, Chick and Sue's favorite Charity as they have been involved in fund raising for several years. Joel offered an additional \$5,000.00 provided that those in attendance would match this amount in additional contributions for a total Habitat contribution, in Chick's honor, of \$11,000.00.

I am pleased to report that within about 24 hours we raised the \$5,000.00 in matching contributions and I recently presented to Chick, checks that totaled \$11,040.00. Significant contributors to this effort were the Pittsburgh Convention Task Foirce, Robert & Karen Sebo and Jack and Mary Morrison. In all, about 40 society members contributed and the extra \$40.00 was submitted by "...the girls in the bar." Wow!

A very nice and well deserved tribute to a very good friend of the Society and the Four Freshmen. It was my pleasure to assist with the very worthwhile effort.

2006 Convention Shirts

We have 10 golf shirts with the convention logo left over from the convention:

Men's size medium (6) grey and (2) Natural Women's size large (2) grey

The shirts tend to run big.

If you are interested in having one at \$25 each plus postage, please email Harry & Dot Lydic with your order: lydic3@comcast.net

FFS Convention Honors Chick Trafford

The inimitable Joel Rothman announced a special challenge to the FFS people. He donated a huge sum of money designated for Chick Trafford's favorite charity - The Central Westmoreland Habitat for Humanity affiliate in Western PA.

At the end of the day, the FFS'ers stepped up and <u>matched</u> Joel's donation, making a total contribution of <u>over 11 thousand dollars</u>. It was a tremendous honor for Chick and Sue! The Four Freshmen have been so generous and helpful to Habitat for Humanity!!!! Here is the Habitat Hall of Fame for Central Westmoreland:

Joel Rothman Pittsburgh Task Force Jack & Mary Morrison Robert & Karen Sebo Thomas & Delee Purvis W. Ray & Carol Gurley Neil & Sara Lou Lantz Nan Brenholdt & Richard Johnson Wayne & Barbara Frederich M. Suzanne Dumaw L. Jane Conklin Virginia Nicklas James & Anita Bennie John & Christa Modschiedler Robert & Judy Burns Fred & Ronnie Williamson Jerry & Naomi Snellbaker Bruce & Helen Camlin Albert Skane Dr. Tom & Donna Gallaway Beverly Stockard Bob & Sue Goodell Cecelia M. Murray Evelyn L. Searl Chaz Cone Richard & Carolyn Baldwin Ross & Nancy Sue Barbour

Plus approximately a dozen folks who gave cash totaling \$210.00.

