

East Goshen takes part in regional working lunch initiative



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Pictured from left are: WEGO Police Chief Brenda Bernot, Park Commission Member Kishor Thakrar, Township Manager Rick Smith, CTDI Corporate Health and Safety Manager Rick Chew, Township Zoning Officer Mark Gordon and Township resident Lisa Rubinow.

Staff Report

EAST GOSHEN » East Goshen Township took part in the On the Table Philly initiative recently. The On the Table Philly initiative is an annual one-day event of mealtime conversations with the goal of making communities stronger through increased communication and collaboration. The Philadelphia

Foundation and the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation have partnered to bring On the Table to greater Philadelphia.

East Goshen Township's On the Table was a wonderfully productive meeting with an array of community leaders bringing their unique vantage points to the table. These leaders included WEGO Police Chief Brenda Bernot, CTDI's Rick Chew repre-

sending business considerations, local residents, Township volunteer commission members and Township staff.

All were in agreement that East Goshen Township is a wonderful place to live, work and play. It is a safe community, with a wonderful park system and a caring resident population where you could truly "lend a cup of sugar" to your

neighbor. A conclusion drawn was that transportation options need to be upgraded along Paoli Pike, with attendees agreeing it would help their unique community needs. The township envisions the Paoli Pike Trail project serving to meet this community opportunity.

For information about On the Table Philly, please visit <http://onthetablephl.org/>.

Volunteer Fire Association plans fundraiser

By Gil Cohen

For Digital First Media

EAST WHITELAND » Donating to the East Whiteland Volunteer Fire Association is as easy as scarfing down a juicy cheeseburger and a frosty mug of beer. And on Thursday you can do both when the East Whiteland Business Partnership teams up with the Desmond Hotel to host a Spring Preview Party on the hotel's Sunset Grille deck.

The outdoor dining area opens for the season with a private party from 4:30-6 p.m. Invited guests include members of the area's business community and other supporters of the fire company, who will be given a brief summary of the company's history, its accomplishments through the years, and a glimpse at its future needs.

"The whole idea is to drum up support from the invited guests to support the fire company," said Debbie Abel, vice chair of the board of directors of the East Whiteland Fire Company and a member of the East Whiteland Business Partnership. Tickets to the event cost \$25, which will be donated to the fire company. In addition, guests will be asked to sign a pledge card to help defray future fire company expenses.

The party, continued Abel, won't be all business, however.

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