Phillies catcher Erik Kratz at Bergey's Chevrolet!

On Saturday, Dec 29, Erik Kratz, Phillies catcher purchased a new Chevy Avalanche at Bergey's Chevrolet. From 1 pm till 3 pm, Erik met many fans and signed autographs for the public. Bergey's Chevy donated autographed baseballs for Erik to hand out to his fans.
Employee Notes

Mark Cardillo . . . . . . . . . . .Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
Stephen McCarthy . . . . . . .Perkasie Retread Technologies
James Murphy . . . . . . . . . . .WholeSale Tire-Hatfield
Albert Gesullo . . . . . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse
Ryan Weisel . . . . . . . . . . . . .Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
Jesse Nelson . . . . . . . . . . . . .Easton Tire
Andrew Ahearn . . . . . . . . . . .Souderton Truck Center
Mitchell Yerk . . . . . . . . . . .Leasing Associates
Karl Gross . . . . . . . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse
Rick Gerlach . . . . . . . . . . . . .Souderton Tire
Stephen Wright . . . . . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse
Eric Lopez . . . . . . . . . . . . .Perkasie Retread Technologies
Brett Bettrler . . . . . . . . . . .Commercial Tire-Hatfield
Taisaan McAllister . . . . . . .Vineland Truck Center
Barry Derstine . . . . . . . . . . .Perkasie Retread Technologies
Jeffrey Boesch . . . . . . . . . . .Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
John Leary . . . . . . . . . . . . .Conshohocken Truck Center
Shane Stewart . . . . . . . . . . .Perkasie Retread Technologies
James Toth . . . . . . . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse
Jillian Leatherman . . . . . . .Corporate
Leon Effrig . . . . . . . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse
Louis Miozzi . . . . . . . . . . . . .Pennsauken Truck Center
Cierra Young . . . . . . . . . . .Chevrolet
Wayne Lucas . . . . . . . . . . .Ford
Jose Roldan Sr . . . . . . . . . . .Pennsauken Truck Center
Joseph Tighe . . . . . . . . . . ..Ford
Bryan Pocino . . . . . . . . . . .Trenton Truck Center
Jordan Diehl . . . . . . . . . . .Ford
Daniel Nelson . . . . . . . . . . .Chevrolet-Colmar
Christine Little . . . . . . . . . . .Silverdale Tire
Delbert Wooton . . . . . . . . . . .Vineland Truck Center
John Jaick . . . . . . . . . . . . .Easton Tire
Thomas Feverston . . . . . . .Souderton Truck Center
Dominic Spataccino Jr . . . . .Chrysler Jeep Dodge
Dale Hertsenberg . . . . . . .Conshohocken Truck Center
Harry Godfrey III . . . . . . .Lincoln
Thomas Divergiegels . . . . . Zieglerville Auto Sales & Service
Kenneth Cox . . . . . . . . . . .Pennsauken Truck Center
Nicholas Stavely . . . . . . .Pennsauken Truck Center
Matthew Boyer . . . . . . . . . . .Commercial Tire-Harrisonburg
Jamie Affleck . . . . . . . . . . .Lincoln
Michael Koch . . . . . . . . . . .Souderton Truck Center
Charles Carnes . . . . . . . . . . .Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
Steven Sullivan . . . . . . . . . . .Chevrolet
Joseph Tacconelli . . . . . . .Souderton Truck Center
Christopher Beyer . . . . . . .Trenton Truck Center
Michael Sturgis . . . . . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse
Timothy Conboy II . . . . . . .Colmar Parts Warehouse

Transfers
Robert Shuck . . . . . . . . . . .Leasing Associates to Souderton Detail Center
David King . . . . . . . . . . . . .Ford to Colmar Parts Warehouse
Robert Capaldi . . . . . . . . . . .Perkasie Retread Technologies to Doylestown Tire
Monica Halter . . . . . . . . . . .Conshohocken Truck Center to Trenton Truck Center
Melissa Green . . . . . . . . . . ..Silverdale Tire to Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram
Keith Caldwell . . . . . . . . . . .Chevrolet to Commercial Tire Hatfield
Tyler Bergey . . . . . . . . . . . . .Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram to Chevrolet
Ken Stephens . . . . . . . . . . ..Commercial Tire Hatfield to Easton Tire
Mike Davis . . . . . . . . . . . . .Pennsauken Truck Center to Vineland Truck Center

Engagements
Tony Cotellella (Souderton Detail Center) became engaged to Lisa Gould on July 12, 2012.
Chad Clemens (Corporate) became engaged to Courtney McCoach on November 18, 2012.

Marriages
Tim Keeler (Chevrolet) married Terri Hejna on September 9, 2012.
Doug Molina (Perkasie Tire & Auto Service) married Abigail Powell on October 20, 2012.

New Arrivals
4/24/12
Laura Schmidt (Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram) and her husband, Wes, had a baby girl, Audrey Lourene. She weighed 8 lbs., and was 20-1/4" long.
8/03/12
Matthew Cerfice (Chevrolet) and his wife, Katie, had a baby boy, Greysen Matthew. He weighed 7 lbs. 3 ozs., and was 19-1/2" long.
9/22/12
James Westover (Buick/GMC) and his wife, Sabrina, had a baby boy, Evan James. He weighed 7 lbs. 9 ozs., and was 21" long.
9/25/12
Angelo Burrusano (Chevrolet) and his wife, Kellie, had a baby boy, Coulton Philip. He weighed 8 lbs. 6 ozs., and was 20" long.
12/03/12
Robert Shuck (Souderton Detail Center) and Catherine Qualluppi had a baby girl, Willo Mayann. She weighed 6 lbs. 6 ozs., and was 19" long.
12/23/12
Ryan Alderfer (Lincoln) and his wife, Liliana, had a baby girl, Sofia Grace. She weighed 5 lbs. 10 ozs., and was 18-3/4" long.
12/28/12
Richard Alderfer, Jr. (Ford) and his wife, Christina, had a baby boy, Logan Scott. He weighed 6 lbs. 15 ozs., and was 18" long.
Classmates Reunite to Save an Employee’s Life

Scott Dement, just six weeks after receiving a kidney transplant in April 2012 from his Central Bucks East High School classmate Dwight Erickson, says “My donor had no idea he could help somebody.” “I can barely express how lucky I am to be sitting here today on the path to recovery”, said Scott.

Scott was diagnosed with Polycystic Kidney disease, a genetic disorder inherited from his father who received a transplant 25 years ago. It is a disease that may be silent until adult years. Scott found out that he had the disease 15 years ago when he went to get treatment for a fluttering in his chest. He was really surprised to find out that he had the disease, as he was 32 at the time and thought he was in the clear.

Recently he was approaching the time when he would need to be on dialysis without a transplant. His compulsion to attend a 30th year reunion was a decision that saved his life. Although he did not see any familiar faces at the reunion and was tempted to leave early, he had an unexplainable gut instinct to turn around and give the event another chance.

Scott ran into Dwight Erickson, who realized the severity of Scott’s condition. Another classmate, Regina Bellina-Iacovazzi, was contacting alumni when she came across an online memorial thread. She discovered that there were 24 classmates who had passed away under the age of 50, and was shocked. Not long after the reunion she saw a matter-of-fact posting on Scott’s Facebook page which brought his disease to her attention. She called Scott to see if she could make a post about him needing a kidney. Less than a week after the public post, Scott told her he might have a donor.

Dwight had seen the post and determined that he was a potential candidate. He contacted Scott’s kidney transplant coordinator, and after 2-1/2 days of testing it was determined that he was the healthiest potential organ donor at Hahnemann Hospital.

Scott and Dwight went in for surgery in April. Overall both procedures went well. The donor receives a laparoscopic procedure which is minimally invasive. In a few days Dwight was able to leave the hospital, and was back to work within a few weeks.

“There is no way to even verbalize how thankful I am to Dwight for doing this for me,” Scott says. “In a world where people get completely worked up over things like traffic, for someone to give their kidney is absolutely amazing.”

Scott is on the road to a full recovery. His predicted steps after surgery were to remain under close medical care and eventually return to work. You can join Scott on April 27 for the Philadelphia Committee Awareness Walk. Get tested today - the life you save may be your own. www.kidneyfoundation.org.

Dave Moyer

Dave Moyer (Corporate) and his wife Bonnie provide a home away from home to young people from around the globe. In the process, they have enriched their own lives.

They have hosted five young people, two from Indonesia, one from Brazil, one from France, and a young man named Suhyun Jeong from South Korea who currently lives with them. The program is run as part of the Mennonite Central Committee’s International Volunteer Exchange Program.

“Each is as different from the other as night and day, but each is special,” said Bonnie. “They are strong in their personal faith and courageous to leave everything they know to come here.”

Dave and Bonnie each work over 40 hours per week, but find time to commit to international understanding. They adopt a low-key approach, giving their guests some individual living space while including them in family meals and as many or as few of their activities as each person desires.

Elisabeth “Lisa” Spredemann of Brazil, pictured at right with Dave and Bonnie Moyer, returned to Brazil in July 2012. While she was with the Moyers, she was assigned as a recreational activities assistant at two retirement homes.

IVEP participants are frequently worried about their limited English, but host families like the Moyers help their guests build confidence with simple reassurance.

To learn more about the IVEP program, visit ivep.mcc.org.
COLLISION CENTER

L to R: Ken Schuler, Ron Schury, Elaine Clemens, Jamie Affleck, Shannan Disanto, Shawn Kukowski, Brian Nice, Brandynn Knauer, Harry Godfrey, Chuck Logan

BUICK-GMC

L to R: Jim Pollino, Paul Yothers, Derek Dimmick, Annette Leidy, Zach Carr, Sharon Wismer, Kevin Brown, Kathy Becker, Darren Transue, Renita Shelly, Andrew Bednarczyk, Jim Westover, Sean Williams, Kerry Clymer, Bob Purcell, Rick Stoeckel, Brandon Derstine

CHEVROLET

L to R: Ray Freed, Ken Long, Scott Greene, Mike Hagey, Len Kreisher, Rob Budinko, Brian Derstine, Charles Frey, Angelo Burrauno, Kathy Smulligan, Scott Sullivan, Tyler Bergey, Ruth Sigler, Clyde Derstine, Don Alderfer, Ken Smith, Patrick Benner, Nevin O'Neal, Keith Hackman, Jim Harvey, Chuck Hartling, Lito Reinoso, John Nelson, Daryl Freed, Aaron Block, Joe McGlone, Dave Gruver
ZIEGLERVILLE
L to R: Zach Smith, Dan Formica, Mark Regetta, Joe Malack, Tom Divergigeliis, Lloyd Burger, Robert Rothermel, Dave Alderfer, Cliff Erickson, Mark Clemmer, Steve Watkins, Robert Moyer, Al Leonhardt

CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE RAM
L to R: Rick Alderfer, Micah Bergey, Dominic Spataccino, Charles Carnes, Mike Levering, Ed Landis, Ben Yothers, Joe Hoffman, Ed Rosenberger, Billy McCormick, Phil Diehl, Ken Bergey, Keith Clemmer, Andrew Nester, Mark Cardillo, Cheryl Wright, Linda Valdez, Mary Ann Sari, Stanley Moyer

FORD
L to R: Scott Burkart, Luke Bergey, Joe Davis, Rick Alderfer, George Henry, Wayne Lucas, Janda Custodria, Steve Rawa, Kathy Holland, Kristin Mark, Tom Stein, John Ferino, Laura Pfeiff, Michael Thompson, Lars Taboga, Pat Clarke, Jeff Schusser, Nick Saracino, Josh Hartz, Tom Sztubinski, Braden Mouthahan, Tom Harkins, Jordan Diehl, Brian Mitros, Mike German

COLMAR PARTS WAREHOUSE
Ken Humphreys, Mike Hackman, Dave Patterson, Gary Young, Mike Rafferty, Don Kriebel, Charlie Hoffman, Wayne Derstine, John Flynn, T. Dale Frederick, Karl Gross, Steve Derstine, Ben Nice, Rodger Horos, Steve Groff, Allen Nichols, Frank Poole, Ronald Johnson, Dave King, Brian Halteman, Phil Allebach, Jeremy Moyer, Steve Freed, Dave Demkee, Joe Kuczynski, Dave Malone, Ernest Buzy, Galan Hackman, Al Gesullo, Jeremy Auckland, Frank Bivighouse, James Toth, Kyle Johnson, John Klaiss, Rick Franklin, Tim Conboy, Mark Young, Nadine Capozzi

HEAVY DUTY PARTS
L to R: Dave Glass, Terry Shaner, Mark Stuhltrager, Jerry Elie, Chris Miller, Joe Paulhamus, Fred Kirkory, Bruce Hensler, Merrill Stoudt, Ted Koob, Gary Battersby, Curt Alderfer, Josh Lawler

LINCOLN
This year's entertainment, which was a huge hit for children.
The event included a petting zoo, children and adults alike!
The Bergey's Annual Picnic was held on Saturday, July 14, 2012 at Beulah Land Swim Club in Pottstown. 376 adults and 62 children attended the picnic, although the attendance would have been higher if it had not been for rain storms near Philadelphia and New Jersey.

The petting zoo was a huge hit for children and adults alike. Once again Wegman’s provided outstanding food and service, and horse-drawn rides were also offered.

Henry’s traditional golf tournament was held. The low score golf was Sue Allebach (wife of Phil Allebach – Colmar Parts Warehouse), who won $25.00.

The team winners were as follows:

1st Place Team $25.00 each
Tyler Bergey Chevrolet
Sara Derstine
Omar Miller Lincoln
Loretta Miller Fuel Center

2nd Place Team $20.00 each
Mike Hackman Parts Warehouse
Galan Hackman Parts Warehouse
Zach Hackman
Heather Hackman

The Children’s Grand Prize winner was Dominik DiSanto, son of Shannon DiSanto. He received a $25.00 Visa Gift Card. The Guest Grand Prize winner was Denver Sharp, husband of Amy Sharp (Souderton Truck Center Body Shop), who won a $50.00 Visa Gift Card.

The Employee Grand Prize Winner was Curtis Kratz (Ford), who won a $150 Visa Gift Card.

Congratulations to all of the prizewinners! Special thanks to the picnic committee, which included Debra Baker, Michelle Logan, Helen Tibble, John Serrao, and Fern Yothers (Corporate), as well as to Barry Halteman (Corporate) for his significant assistance.
U. S. Representative
Jim Gerlach visits
Conshohocken Truck Center

Ed Brown, Vice President of Commercial Truck Sales for Bergey’s Truck Center (Mack, Volvo & Isuzu) in Conshohocken, PA, provided U. S. Rep. (R-PA) with a dealership tour on July 6th. Rep. Gerlach sponsored the Heavy Truck Tax Fairness Act of 2012 (H.R.4321) which would repeal the excise tax on heavy trucks and trailers sold at retail and increase the diesel fuel tax.

Rep. Gerlach asked several questions including how truck dealers and their customers were dealing with rising diesel fuel prices and freight costs, whether interest in natural gas powered trucks was increasing, and if any local efforts were underway at community colleges to increase the number of service technicians.

Also in attendance were Mark Stine, Executive Vice President of the Pennsylvania Automotive Association, Patrick Calpin from the HADA-ATD legislative office, dealership employees Rob Horner and Rick Ciesielka, and Steve O’Kane, President of A. Duie Pyle, a transportation and logistics provider, which is one of Bergey’s largest customers.

Kick the Addiction with Support from Friends and Family

If you’re suffering from an addiction or are actively trying to kick one, friends and family can help you succeed. They can help you confront your disease and rebuild your life. They are not responsible for your recovery and cannot do it for you, but asking for their support may be very helpful.

Confronting the disease
Friends and family can help you face your addiction. According to surveys, many people in recovery said they got help because a friend or relative was honest with them about their addiction. Many said they would have sought help sooner if family or friends had spoken up.

This involvement can be a gentle discussion or an intervention. Either way, keep in mind that it’s not easy for your loved ones to confront you about your addiction. You may not like what you’re hearing, but the fact that they took this step shows that they care about you a great deal.

Rebuilding your life for a successful recovery
Your friends and family can help ensure a successful recovery by helping you rebuild a full, balanced life. They can support you in activities that nourish your physical, mental, social, and spiritual health.

Things for Friends and Family to Encourage

Exercise: Choose activities that you can do with friends and family.

Healthy diet: Your family can make sure the household diet is a good one.

Hobbies: Sharing with your family or friends is a great way to spend time together.

Relax: Avoid stress and let your friends and family help you laugh and play.

Take care of the routine but important stuff: Throughout recovery, you’ll have recovery meetings to attend, sponsors to see and so on. Your friends and family can help you keep these priorities at the top of your to-do list.
General Motors Recognizes Bergey’s Chevrolet as the 2011 Certified Used Vehicles Northeast Region Sales Leader

General Motors has awarded Bergey’s Chevrolet of Colmar the GM Certified Used Vehicles Sales Leader Award. The GM Certified Used Vehicles program honors the top-selling dealership in the northeast region every year.

Bergey’s Chevrolet beat out 663 GM Certified Used Vehicles dealers, selling nearly 700 vehicles overall. They joined the Certified Used Vehicles program in 1998 and have served the northern Pennsylvania area for 36 years.

“All our dedicated employees, teamwork and top-notch customer service made this possible,” said Glenn Bergey. “Earning this award is a reflection of our entire staff’s commitment to delivering an exceptional customer experience.”

Bergey’s Collision Center of Lansdale Awarded AAA Top Shop Award for 2012

In December, Bergey’s Collision Center of Lansdale received notice from AAA that it had received the AAA Top Shop Award for 2012.

Our business was one of three in the auto collision center category that was ranked among the highest in a review of auto repair facilities participating in the AAA Approved Auto Body program in eastern Pennsylvania and southern New York. The high level of professionalism and customer satisfaction earned this impressive recognition.

Congratulations to all the employees for their hard work in making this award possible!