

January 04, 2012

From The Secretary's Corner – Did You Know?

That on our first meeting of the new year, we had 38 members in attendance, as well as several guests. It was great to ring in the new year with such a crowded room! Just a reminder that our next meeting, on January 11, will also be at Events on Broadway. Look forward to seeing you all there!

Raffle – Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Trader Joe's, donated by Dick Yerxa, was won by Ben Wilson.

Happy Dollars – Dollars were given tonight by Bob Danielson, Dick Yerxa, Ben Wilson, Nancy Irving, Dan Mooers, Doug Stewart, Bob Carson, Tony Wagner, Alec Livingston, Jack Roberts, Anamaria Gonzalez, David Lourie, Mike Neff, Mike McGovern, Nancy Hawes, Sybil Riemensnider, Kathy Cotter, Scott Irving, John LoBosco, Phil Dube, Paul Butler, Kirk Henriksen, Bob Flynn, Dave Bagdasarian, and Bill York.

Soup Kitchen – Next Tuesday, January 10, is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. We need people to come at 4 to help set up and 5:30 to help serve. As you may have seen on the news recently, the Soup Kitchen is serving more meals than ever! We could use all the help we could get!

Tree Sale Wrap-Up – Tonight, Bob Flynn thanked the club for all its hard work during the year's Tree Sale. As you may know, we sold our last tree on December 18 and had the lot taken down and the racks put away that afternoon. Bob announced that we showed a net profit of nearly \$34,000 this year, which will help fund our programs in the next Rotary year.

Foundation Minute – Just a reminder that we still have a goal of every Rotarian every year, for this club, which means we would like to see every member of the club donate something to the Foundation. This can be accomplished by simply throwing some money in the blue bag when you sign in with Paul.

WinterFest – Now that 2012 has come upon us, we need to focus the club's energies on WinterFest, which is scheduled for February 3rd and 4th. Logistics Chair, Tom Meyers, asked every member to block out February 3rd and 4th in his/her calendars, as we will need each member of the club to participate in this upcoming event. There will be more information at next week's meeting, where WinterFest is the program.

Help Wanted – Jim Russell is looking for members who would be interested in working on the various New Generations programs, such as Interact, Scouting, RYLA, and Youth Exchange. If you have an interest, contact him at JRVR829@aol.com.

Casco Bay Wine and Beer Tasting and Silent Auction – On February 1, we will not be meeting at the Purpoodock Club, but will instead attend this fund raiser for Maine Children's Cancer Program at DiMillo's restaurant. More information to come.

Program – Tonight's program was past president, Doug Stewart. Doug was president of the club from 1988-1989. He oversaw the vote in Rotary's by-laws that allowed women to become members of Rotary. He also raised \$29,000 for polio eradication efforts in one year. Doug was one of the best presidents our club ever had and was also one of the most entertaining (as we saw tonight)! It was great to see Doug and his wife after all these years. Welcome back, Doug!

Upcoming Events

- January 9 – Chuck Redman (birthday)
- January 10 – Soup Kitchen
- January 11 – WinterFest and Presidents 50th Anniversary Dinner Update
- January 18 – Gregory White (Consumers for Affordable Health Care)
- January 25 – Club Assembly
- February 1 – Casco Bay Wine and Beer Tasting at DiMillos (no meeting at Purpoodock)
- February 3 & 4 – WinterFest at Mill Creek Park in South Portland
- March 30 – 50th Anniversary Dinner at the Wyndham Hotel in South Portland

ASSIGNMENTS

January 11

Song	Wagner
Invocation	Frustaci
Raffle Gift	York
Conductor	Butterworth

January 18

Song	Wilson
Invocation	Gonzalez
Raffle Gift	Bagdasarian
Conductor	Carson

January 25

Song	Yerxa
Invocation	Hawes
Raffle Gift	Butterworth
Conductor	Conroy

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