

October 3, 2001

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That in the past couple years, Rotary has extended the make-up opportunities for you from 1 to 2 weeks on either side of the Wednesday of our regular meeting. In our district alone, we have 21 breakfast clubs, 15 luncheon clubs and 3 dinner clubs. The new Falmouth club is going to meet on Mondays at the Moose Crossing Restaurant on Route 1 in Falmouth at 4:15pm. Some time in the near future, I am going to publish in the weekly bulletin the complete list of the clubs in our district with their meeting place and time. This information used to be printed on a wallet-sized card but in the past couple years, there has been no demand for it, and meeting places change so frequently that they quickly go out of date.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to the Mulberry Cottage donated by Paul Butler, was won by frequent visitor, Joan Christie.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Joe Conroy, Jonathan Butterworth, Frank Butterworth, Eleanor Brainin, David Lourie, Dave Bagdasarian and Paul Butler.

Fund Request Committee - President Bob announced that Fawn Dunfey and Jeff Holden have agreed to serve with Bob Danielson on the Fund Request Committee. Any requests for funding should be funneled to one of them who will then make a recommendation to the Board of Directors.

Good Luck, Jeff! - Vice President, Jeff Gabrielson, has requested and received a 2-month leave of absence from the club as he has been recalled to active duty during this time of national crisis. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Jeff and if there is anything we can do, please let us know.

New Member Proposal - Peter Clancy, whose classification is Mortgage Lending and who resides in Cape Elizabeth, has been proposed by Adrienne Murphy.

Happy Birthday Wishes to Lloyd Knight (10/5),

Jeff Gabrielson (10/9) and Warren Simpson (10/10).

Soup Kitchen - Next Tuesday, October 9 is our monthly Soup Kitchen night at the Wayside Evening Soup Kitchen. Joe Conroy reports that last month the turnout was very scanty and this month's sign-up was equally disappointing. If you can spare the time, please make every effort to go down to Oxford Street from 6:00-7:00pm next Tuesday.

District Governor Visit - Next week, District Governor, Peter Johnson, will be visiting the club. Please mark your calendars and make every effort to attend this meeting to support President Bob and to listen to Peter speak on this year's Rotary theme.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Tom Forcella, Superintendent of the Cape Elizabeth School System. Tom spoke about the need for upgrading the high school facility, which is now over 30 years old. Some of the issues involved are handicap accessibility, videoconferencing and the upcoming "bubble" of students coming through the middle school that will increase enrollment at the high school by over 100 students in the upcoming years. In addition to upgrading the high school facility and moving the kindergarten, Tom emphasized the strategic goals for the next 5 years outlined in the Future Direction Plan. This plan outlines 5 goals dealing with such things as staff development, improved communication, success measurement, coordinated curriculum and an enthusiastic climate for learning to maximize the K-12 experience. Every year, there will be an implementation schedule and, in subsequent years, an annual report to review what has been done. Thank you, John Hewitt, for bringing Superintendent Forcella to our club this evening.

Upcoming Club Events

- October 9 - Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm**
- October 10 - District Governor Peter Johnson**
- October 17 - Brian Petrovik, Portland Pirates
(Jeff Holden, Program Chair)**
- October 24 - Center for Grieving Children
(Jeff Hobbs, Program Chair)**
- October 31 - Friends Forever
(Nancy Hawes, Program Chair)**

ASSIGNMENTS

October 10

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| Song | Simpson |
| Invocation | Carson |
| Raffle Gift | Butterworth |
| Conductor | Bagdasarian |

October 17

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| Song | Smith |
| Invocation | Conroy |
| Raffle Gift | Carson |
| Conductor | Beuth (Fischer) |

October 24

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| Song | Stanton |
| Invocation | Cotter |
| Raffle Gift | Conroy |
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District Governor's Visit - Tonight we welcomed this year's District Governor, Peter Johnson, for the annual visit to our club. Peter is an old and dear friend of our club, having visited us before on several occasions. He began his remarks by acknowledging the uniqueness of our club in the District as a home of 4 past District Governors, 3 of whom were in attendance tonight. Peter then proposed the questions, "What would happen if Rotary Clubs closed? What good works would not get done?" People, when they drive from town to town, see the Rotary wheel on every welcoming sign. We need to make the public as aware of what that symbol means as when they see the golden arches of McDonald's. If people were aware of the good that Rotary does, they would be more inclined to participate. An increase in awareness will allow us to do more work; after all Rotary's product, Peter said, is service. Therefore, many hands make for even more work and Rotary has a good story to tell. Another thing Peter said was that we mustn't let the rules of Rotary get in the way of the product. If meetings need to be held at different times or different places, so be it.

Peter addressed the newer members of the club in regards to the Rotary Foundation. He explained very succinctly how 100% of the money raised for the Rotary Foundation is spent on Rotary programs and how the percentage is split up between Rotary International getting 40% with 60% being allocated by the District. Peter highlighted one program, taking an ambassadorial scholarship to a new level called the World Peace & Understanding Scholarship, which leads to a Master's Degree in Conflict Resolution. In this day and age, Peter said that the need is as great as ever for this type of program. In conclusion, Peter highlighted the Rotary theme, "Mankind is Our Business," and encouraged us all to get "outside the box" to be the most effective club we can be. Thank you, Peter, for a very inspirational talk.

Soup Kitchen Wrap Up - Joe Conroy thanked Dan & Shirley Mooers, Kathy & Peter Cotter, Dan & Edie Davidson, Phil Dube, Bob Packer, Paul Butler and Bill Stanton for helping out at the Tuesday Soup Kitchen. Our next club date at the Soup Kitchen is Tuesday, November 13.

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know? Our average attendance for July, August and September was 76.5%. With only 3 meetings each in November and December, let's try and get the attendance up to between

80 and 85%. **Please note:** On Tuesday, October 16, the Westbrook-Gorham Club is meeting at the Westbrook Regional Vocational School on Stroudwater Street in Westbrook (this time only).

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, an L.L. Bean gift certificate donated by Frank Butterworth, was won by Bill Stanton.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Mike McGovern, David Lourie, Mariann Goff, Eleanor Brainin, Frank Butterworth, Adrienne Murphy, Joe Conroy, Nancy Hawes, Dick Yerxa, Paul Butler, Thurston Holt, Sam Giftos, Bob Carson, Dan Mooers, Bill Stanton, Warren Simpson and Rick Dobson.

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Happy Birthday to Bob Danielson (10/16)!

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- October 24 - Center for Grieving Children (Jeff Hobbs, Program Chair)
- October 31 - Friends Forever (Nancy Hawes, Program Chair)
- November 7 - Bridget Burns of Rotaplast (Adrienne Murphy, Program Chair)
- November 14 (Fred Janson, Program Chair)
- November 21 - No Meeting

ASSIGNMENTS

October 17

Song Smith
Invocation Conroy
Raffle Gift Carson
Conductor Beuth (Fischer)

October 24

Song Stanton
Invocation Cotter
Raffle Gift Conroy
Conductor Brainin

November 1

Song Wagner
Invocation Danielson
Raffle Gift Cotter
Conductor Butterworth

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October 17, 2001

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That the Council on Legislation of Rotary International adopted 98 items of legislation at their April meeting this year. Over the next several weeks, I will try to outline the important changes as they affect our club. Membership of any member used to automatically terminate, **if**, without the consent of the Board for good and sufficient reason, the member failed to attend or make up four consecutive club meetings. **NOW**, each member who fails to attend or make up four consecutive meetings **shall be informed by the Board that his/her non-attendance might be considered as a request to terminate membership in the club.**

Raffle - Tonight's raffles were an L.L Bean gift certificate donated by Bob Carson and won by Phil Dube and a Portland Pirates hat and t-shirt donated by our speaker and won by Nancy Hawes and Fred Janson respectively.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Jeff Hobbs, Phil Dube, David Lourie, Dan Mooers, Jack Roberts, Janet McLaughlin, Frank Butterworth, Adrienne Murphy, Dave Bagdasarian, Marcie Martelle, Ed Ingraham, Dan Davidson, Bob Carson, Jack Kennealy, John Eliassen, Sharyn Paul and Rick Dobson.

Friends Forever - Nancy Hawes reports that the Friends Forever group scheduled to visit our club in two weeks has canceled their trip due to concerns of traveling during this international crisis. The group sponsored by the Portland Club, however, will be coming so if you wish to see them you may want to consider going to a meeting at that club.

Board of Directors Meetings - Meetings for 2001-2002 Rotary year will be at 5:00pm on the third Wednesday of every month at the Purpoodock Club. All club members are welcome to attend.

New Member Proposal - Bob Danielson has proposed for membership Andrew Stickney who lives on Trundy Road in Cape Elizabeth. His classification is Financial Planner.

Basketball - Dan Davidson announced that the 2001-2002 basketball schedule is all set. The first dates are November 13 & 27 and December 4. We plan at the Cape Elizabeth Middle School gym from 7:30-9:30pm. Contact Dan with any questions.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Brian Petrovek, President & CEO of the Portland Pirates. Brian began by stressing the desire of the Pirates new ownership to have a long-term relationship in Portland. He outlined the business climate that makes the Portland franchise a very attractive property for other cities, specifically the folding of the International Hockey League and the realignment of the American Hockey League to have a one-to-one relationship with a parent National Hockey League club. This emphasizes the importance of the proposed renovation plan for the Cumberland County Civic Center as far as the Pirates are concerned. Any long-term commitment by the new ownership must be accompanied by a more modern facility.

As far as the team is concerned, the watch word this year is "take no prisoners." The team will be far more physical in its play, which should lead to a more exciting product. Thank you, Jeff Holden, for having Brian speak to our club this evening.

Happy Birthday to Wayne Goodrich (10/19)!

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- October 31 - (Nancy Hawes, Program Chair)
- November 7 - Bridget Burns of Rotaplast (Adrienne Murphy, Program Chair)
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ASSIGNMENTS

October 24

Song Stanton
Invocation Cotter
Raffle Gift Conroy
Conductor Brainin

November 1

Song Wagner
Invocation Danielson
Raffle Gift Cotter
Conductor Butterworth

November 8

Song Yerxa
Invocation Davidson
Raffle Gift Danielson
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That Rotary now allows credit for attendance if at any time within 14 days before or after the meeting time: a member attends **and participates in** a club service project **or a club-sponsored community event or meeting** authorized by the Board **OR attends a board of directors meeting of this club or, if authorized by the board, a meeting of a service committee to which such member is assigned.**

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a Saltwater Grille gift certificate donated by Joe Conroy, was won by John Eliassen.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Mariann Goff, Frank Butterworth, Peter Cotter, Eleanor Brainin, Adrienne Murphy, Phil Dube, Frank Gemme, Paul Butler and Bill Stanton.

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Happy Birthday Wishes to Phil Dube (10/28).

Program - Tonight's speakers were Jeff Hobbs of Hobbs Funeral Home and Ann Lynch from the Center for Grieving Children. The topic of their

program was a discussion of the grieving process, especially in light of the tragedies of September 11. Jeff began by talking about how difficult it is to face death everyday through such things as SIDS, disease, accidents and suicides. One of the particular sadness of September 11 that was not mentioned very often was the number of children at daycare centers in New York that at the end of the day had no one to pick them up. These children's grief journey is just beginning. Jeff then introduced Ann Lynch, Executive Director of the Center here in Portland. Ann was a volunteer at the Center for a couple years and has been a staff member for the past several years before assuming her current position. The Center was the third such facility in the United States, founded some 14 years ago. There are now some 200 throughout the country. Ann is not only the Executive Director, she is also a past client having lost a daughter some 12 years ago. She talks about the Center as a place of community, compassion and respect. It is a place where the family can open up and talk about their grief among peers for support. The organization is primarily staffed by 120 volunteers that commit for one year to be a facilitator. In order to be a volunteer, 30 hours of training is required. One of the most important points in the current tragedy of September 11 that goes almost unnoticed is that almost 25,000 people were able to escape out of the building. Our thanks to Jeff and Ann for this inspiration talk.

Upcoming Club Events

- October 31 - John Linehan, University of ME (Nancy Hawes, Program Chair)**
- November 7 - Bridget Burns of Rotaplast (Adrienne Murphy, Program Chair)**
- November 13 - Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm**
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Raffle Gift Cotter
Conductor Butterworth

November 7

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November 14

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That a member's absence shall be excused if the aggregate of the member's years of age and years of membership in one or more clubs is 85 years or more and **the member has notified the club secretary in writing of the member's desire to be excused from attendance and the board has approved.** We have one member in this category: Lloyd Knight. Members who fall into this category **shall not be included in the membership figure used to compute the club's attendance (neither their absences nor attendances).**

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Diccio's Deli donated by Peter Cotter, was won by Fawn Dunfey.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Marc Mutty, Jack Roberts, Dick Yerxa, Frank Gemme, Eleanor Brainin, Fawn Dunfey, David Lourie, Wayne Goodrich, Paul Butler, Rick Dobson, Hendrik Fischer, Thurston Holt, Ed Ingraham and Dan Mooers (who is back from Ghana with Sam Giftos).

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Happy Birthday Wishes to Dan Gacetta (11/4).

Christmas Trees - As we enter the month of November, it is time to focus on our annual Christmas tree sale. The first date to mark on your calendars is Saturday, November 17 at approximately 9:00am. Tony Wagner will be in charge of this project. Please email Rick Dobson if you can make it. If you don't have email, please call Rick. The other dates to put on your calendar are November 23, December 8 and December 15 for future tree unloading. In addition, we will be having the sign up for shift times at the next meeting. Each club member is asked to sign up for four 3-hour time slots. If you have any questions, please contact Rick.

Program - Tonight's speaker was James Linehan, Department Chair and Professor of Art at the University of Maine. Professor Linehan spoke in support of the bond referendum #6, which proposes \$36.7 million for 11 infrastructure projects in the University of Maine System. It's important to recognize that spending on these types of projects represents an investment in our children's' future. Five years ago, 54% of students from Maine left the state to pursue higher education. Today, only 50% leave. The last capital education bond bill in Maine was 13 years ago, but the needs have continued to grow through the years. Thanks John for introducing your son James to speak to our group this evening.

Editor's Note: Many thanks to Dan Davidson for taking notes at tonight's meeting while I was out "trick or treating."

Upcoming Club Events

- November 7 - **Bridget Burns of Rotaplast (Adrienne Murphy, Program Chair)**
- November 13 - **Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm**
- November 13 - **Basketball, 7:30pm**
- November 14 - **Board Meeting, 5:00pm**
- November 14 - **Deborah Coward, Mainely Character (Fred Janson, Program Chair)**
- November 17 - **Tree Lot Set Up**
- November 21 - **No Meeting**
- November 23 - **First Tree Unloading**
- November 27 - **Basketball, 7:30pm**

ASSIGNMENTS

November 7

Song Yerxa
Invocation Davidson
Raffle Gift Danielson
Conductor Carson

November 14

Song Bagdasarian
Invocation Daviero
Raffle Gift Davidson
Conductor Conroy

November 21

No Meeting

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That there are now only two types of membership in a Rotary club!! **ACTIVE** membership and **HONORARY** membership. Rotary has done away with Senior Active and Past Service membership. All of you are now **ACTIVE** members!! We have two honorary members in our club: George Chandler and Dick Holden.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Shopper's Hardware donated by Bob Danielson, was won by Joan Christie, a visiting Rotarian from Florida.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Nancy Hawes, Joan Christie, Janet McLaughlin, Dan Davidson, Bill Daviero, Dan Gacetta, Joe Conroy, Adrienne Murphy, Dick Yerxa, Rick Dobson and Bob Carson.

Basketball - Remember, basketball starts next Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Cape Middle School Gym. Please refer to the **Upcoming Club Events** for the future schedule.

Soup Kitchen - Tuesday, November 13 is our monthly Soup Kitchen commitment. If you can make it, please bring cupcakes with no nuts.

Christmas Trees - As we enter the month of November, it is time to focus on our annual Christmas tree sale. The first date to mark on your calendars is Saturday, November 17. We will be meeting at the fire barn at 7:30am to load the trucks and at 8:30am at the tree lot for set up. Tony Wagner will be in charge of this project. Please email Rick Dobson if you can make it. If you don't have email, please call Rick. The other dates to put on your calendar are November 23, December 8 and December 15 for future tree unloading. In addition, we will be having the sign up for shift times at the next meeting. Each club member is asked to sign up for four 3-hour time slots. If you have any questions, please contact Rick.

Happy Anniversary Wishes to Steve and Adrienne Murphy (11/12)!

Happy Birthday, Dan! Tonight our club honored charter member Dan Gacetta on his 80th birthday. President Bob presented him with a plaque, recognizing his many contributions to the club over the past 39 years. We all sang "Happy Birthday" and were treated to some delicious cake for dessert.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Heidi Devoe from the Wells Rotary club. Heidi is a registered nurse who has been to South America on three trips for Rotoplast. As a result of her first trip, Heidi became so enthused that she also became a member of the Wells Rotary Club. Rotoplast is a Rotary project that sends teams of doctors and nurses to South American countries to perform cleft palate and other reconstructive surgeries. Each year, Rotoplast sends 15 teams to 4-5 countries. The visits last about two weeks and cost approximately \$40,000 per trip. Each trip accomplishes approximately 100 different surgeries and is for the children on the receiving end a truly life-altering experience. In addition to performing surgeries, doctors and nurses teach local doctors how to perform the surgeries themselves so that after the trip follow-up procedures can be done locally. Also, a geneticist explains the cause of the high percentage (1 in 200) of deformities that occur in these South American countries, so that by changing their diets they can minimize future occurrences in the population. Heidi says that they are now seeking 15 Rotarians from our district to accompany the next trip this coming March. If you are interested, contact Bridget Burns of the Wells club. Thank you Adrienne for providing such an interesting speaker.

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- November 13 - Basketball, 7:30pm
- November 14 - Board Meeting, 5:00pm
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ASSIGNMENTS

November 14

Song Bagdasarian
Invocation Daviero
Raffle Gift Davidson
Conductor Conroy

November 21

No Meeting

November 28

Song Brainin
Invocation Dobson
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Christmas Trees - Tree time is here! Chairman Rick Dobson needs all hands to turn out Saturday morning at 8:00am at the tree lot for the set up. If you can make it earlier, please go to the fire barn at Fort Williams to load the trucks. Also, as we are not having a meeting next week, the trees arrive Friday, November 23 at 8:00am. This is the day after Thanksgiving, so we need as many people as possible to quickly unload the truck and get the lot ready for sales. If you have any questions, please contact Rick.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a pair of binoculars donated by Dan Davidson, was won by Phil Dube.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Joe Conroy, Phil Dube, Jack Kennealy, David Lourie, Dan Davidson, Nancy Hawes, Jim Russell, Eleanor Brainin, Thurston Holt, Mike McGovern, Dave Bagdasarian, Bob Packer and Rick Dobson.

Soup Kitchen Wrap Up - Joe Conroy thanked the club for the "excellent turnout" last night where we served over 205 meals. In attendance were Bob Packer, Bill Daviero, John Hewitt, Dan & Edie Davidson, Jeff Holden, Nancy Hawes, Paul Butler, Sharyn Paul, Rick & Diane Dobson, Fred Janson and Peter & Kathy Cotter.

Congratulations Laurenz - Past club member, Laurenz Schmidt has been appointed Senior Vice President of Global Operations for Fairchild Semiconductor International.

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That a few weeks ago I informed you that I was going to publish in the weekly bulletin the list of clubs in our district with their meeting place and time. Well, just like a woman (secretary), I changed my mind and printed this information on a card, which I have attached to your attendance card this week. For those of you not in attendance this week, the card awaits your next appearance! Newer members should be aware that if at any time they arrive at a scheduled meeting place and the club is not in session, **reporting that information to your secretary will count as a make-up.**

Program - Tonight's speaker was Deborah Coward, President of the Maine Character Scholarship Program. The program was developed in the year 2000 to provide funds to Maine students seeking post-secondary education. The goal is to reward students who have demonstrated a commitment to character. The core principles of the Mainely Character Scholarship Program are integrity, courage, responsibility and concern. The State of Maine sends only 50% of its high school graduates onto post-secondary education. This is one of the lowest rates in the country. The major obstacle to continue post-secondary education is the financial burden. The goal of the program is to create a financially viable scholarship endowment that will assist in this process. The program began last year with one recipient of a \$5,000 scholarship and is looking to give out 4 such scholarships this year. Currently, the board of directors is looking for increased membership, corporate sponsorships and individual contributions. If you are interested, please contact them at www.mainelycharacter.org. Thank you, Fred Janson, for bringing this interesting program to us.

Happy Birthday Wishes to Frank Gemme (11/19). Happy Anniversary Wishes to Tony & Sally Wagner (11/22).

Upcoming Club Events

- November 17 - Tree Lot Set Up, 8:00am
- November 21 - No Meeting
- November 23 - Tree Unloading, 8:00am
- November 27 - Basketball, 7:30pm
- November 28 - (Jack Kennealy, Prog Chair)
- December 4 - Basketball, 7:30pm
- December 5 - Rep. Janet McLaughlin
(Dick Kilroy, Program Chair)
- December 8 - Tree Unloading
- December 11 - Soup Kitchen, 6:30pm
- December 12 - Seniors Christmas Party
- December 15 - Tree Unloading
- December 19 - (David Lourie, Program Chair)
- December 26 - No Meeting

ASSIGNMENTS

November 21

No Meeting

November 28

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| Song | Brainin |
| Invocation | Dobson |
| Raffle Gift | Daviero |
| Conductor | Cotter |

December 5

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| Song | Butterworth |
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November 28, 2001

40th Anniversary - Tonight Past RI Director, Dan Mooers, announced what is probably the most exciting news in the history of the club. For our 40th anniversary, current Rotary International President, Rick King, will attend a special meeting of our club on January 19. More details to follow.

Christmas Trees - Tree sales are off to a good start. We need to fill up the empty time slots, however. From now until a week from Wednesday has been filled. Check your calendars for any available time that you can give starting December 5 through the end of the sale. If you haven't signed up and have a spare hour or two to give, please just go down to the lot. There is always something to be done on the lot. The success of this sale is dependent upon all of our membership to pull through. It is not fair to anyone, least of all Rick, to have him do all the work. This is our only major fund-raiser of the year and it is important that everyone does his part. I know we can count on you.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate donated by Bill Daviero, was won by Mike McGovern.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Matt McAleney, Tony Wagner, Jack Kennealy, David Lourie, Bob Carson, Bill Daviero, Mike McGovern, Ed Ingraham, Dan Davidson, Nancy Hawes, Jack Roberts, Thurston Holt, guest Mac Swenson, Dick Yerxa, Wayne Goodrich, Frank Butterworth and Paul Butler.

Seniors Party - Warren Simpson announced that in two weeks our annual Seniors Christmas Party will be held. So far, we have 52 seniors coming. Right now, transportation is all set, but Warren encourages you to get there early and mingle with the seniors and to buy raffle tickets early and often.

New Member - Tonight we inducted our newest member, Andrew Stickney. Andrew lives in Cape Elizabeth with his wife, Annie, and their 4 children. His classification is Financial Planner. Welcome

aboard, Andrew!

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That the Board of Directors just approved a blanket attendance make-up, if at any time within 14 days before or after the usual time for that meeting, such member attends and participates in a club service project or a club-sponsored community event or meeting or attends a Board of Directors meeting of this club or a meeting of a service committee to which such member is assigned. **SORRY**, the selling of Christmas trees and anything connected therewith is exempt from this provision. **Any members seeking attendance in accordance with the above must contact the secretary in this regard.**

Program - Tonight's speaker was the Reverend Eric Kelly, Pastor of the Williston West Church and member of the Portland Rotary Club. Reverend Kelly spoke on the Middle East, not from a political point of view but from a social justice point of view. Approximately 10 years ago, Reverend Kelly began making trips to the Middle East as a biblical scholar looking to see living history. What he found was human need, injustice and suffering. The United States, he said, has a responsibility to intervene in the conflict between the Palestinians and the Israelis. If we do not, the incidence of September 11 will only continue because the frustration felt by many in the Middle East creates a breeding ground for acts of terrorism. All sides in this conflict must learn to get along. Thank you, Jack Kennealy, for inviting Reverend Kelly to speak to us.

Happy Birthday Wishes to Dick Kilroy (12/2).

Upcoming Club Events

- December 4 - Basketball, 7:30pm
- December 5 - Rep. Janet McLaughlin
(Dick Kilroy, Program Chair)
- December 8 - Tree Unloading
- December 11 - Soup Kitchen, 6:30pm
- December 12 - Seniors Christmas Party
- December 15 - Tree Unloading
- December 19 - Rep. Tom Allen
(David Lourie, Program Chair)
- December 26 - No Meeting
- January 2 - No Meeting

ASSIGNMENTS

November 28

Song Brainin
Invocation Dobson
Raffle Gift Daviero
Conductor Cotter

December 5

Song Butterworth
Invocation Dube
Raffle Gift Dobson
Conductor Danielson

December 12

Seniors Christmas Party
No Assigned Duties

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December 5, 2001

Christmas Trees - Tree sales continue to be strong. However, you need to mark your calendars for some changes in the upcoming schedule. The 2nd tree unloading has been moved up to Friday, December 7 at 8:00am. The 3rd unloading will be announced via email, so keep looking for it. On December 7, we are short staffed that evening which happens to be the time of the tree lighting ceremony at Mill Creek Park. Even if you haven't signed up, if you could come down, it would really help out. In addition, on the weekend shifts, 3-6pm and 6-9pm, while we have coverage, in some cases we are stretched thin. If you can give an hour or two either weekend, or both, it would be much appreciated. Thank you for all your assistance with this most important club project.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a Christmas tree donated by Rick Dobson, was won by Fawn Dunfey.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Bob Carson, Dan Mooers, Dave Bagdasarian, Kathy Ray, Frank Gemme, Adrienne Murphy, John Linehan, David Lourie, Mike McGovern, Janet McLaughlin, Dick Kilroy, Fawn Dunfey, Bob Packer and Jeff Gabrielson.

Seniors Party - Warren Simpson announced that in next week is our annual Seniors Christmas Party will be held. At this point, we have 53 seniors coming. Transportation is all set, but Warren encourages you to get there early to mingle with the seniors and buy raffle tickets early and often.

40th Anniversary - Past District Governor, Mike McGovern, updated the club on our 40th Anniversary party. The event will take place at Verillo's on Saturday, January 19. The menu will be a choice of prime rib or stuffed haddock and the cost will be \$24.50 per person or \$49.00 per couple. It's very important that the club participate to honor our 4 charter members, who will all be in attendance. In addition, this will be an excellent forum to invite either a new or prospective member to listen to RI President, Rick King, speak. If you have any questions, please contact either Mike or Dan Mooers.

Soup Kitchen - Next Tuesday, December 11 is our monthly Soup Kitchen evening. The dessert is Christmas cookies with no nuts.

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That I need to make one correction in regard to my article last week as it pertained to Christmas tree sales. You **are** excused from Rotary if you work an afternoon shift (3 to 6pm) or an evening shift (6 to 9pm) on **WEDNESDAYS**. Also, correcting an article in the bulletin a couple weeks ago, Laurenz Schmidt is not a former member, **but** a current member of our club on a leave of absence.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Representative Janet McLaughlin who spoke to us about the activities/experiences in her first legislative session. Janet serves on the State & Local Government and Taxation Committees. Between sessions, she is serving on the Growth Management and Education Funding Reform Committees. Some examples of legislation Janet has worked on are changing the law to allow the lowering of the flag to honor a student who died at a school and raising the tax on a pack of cigarettes to \$1 per pack. Some of her other activities are forming the Women's Legislative Caucus and participating in the Freshman Democratic Caucus. Thank you, Janet, for a very interesting presentation.

Happy Anniversary Wishes to Dick & Maureen Holden (12/5). **Happy Birthday Wishes** to Adrienne Murphy (12/8)!

Upcoming Club Events

-December 7 - Tree Unloading, 8:00am

-December 11 - Soup Kitchen, 6:30pm

-December 12 - Seniors Christmas Party

-December 15 - Tree Unloading (?)

-December 19 - Rep. Tom Allen

(David Lourie, Program Chair)

-December 21 - Race Committee, 7:30am at

Tim Horton's Mill Creek

-December 26 - No Meeting

-January 2 - No Meeting

-January 3 - Basketball, 7:30pm

ASSIGNMENTS

December 12

Seniors Christmas Party

No Assigned Duties

December 19

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| Song | Carson |
| Invocation | Dunfey |
| Raffle Gift | Dube |
| Conductor | Davidson |

January 9

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| Song | Conroy |
| Invocation | Eliassen |
| Raffle Gift | Dunfey |
| Conductor | Daviero |

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Christmas Trees - The end is in sight for the Christmas Tree sale! This weekend promises to be as busy as last, so all hands are needed. Help is especially needed on Saturday from 6-9pm, but even if you can only give an hour or two throughout the weekend, just come on down and help out. It looks as though by Wednesday, the 19th, we will be sold out, so if you have signed up for a shift after this date, please consider moving up your schedule to get your four shifts in. The take down of the lot will probably be done on the weekend of the 22nd, so keep an eye out for an email on this upcoming event. Once again, thank you for all your assistance in this project!

40th Anniversary - Our club will be celebrating its 40th anniversary next year, on Saturday, January 19th at Verillo's. The menu will be a choice of prime rib or stuffed haddock and the cost will be \$24.50 per person or \$49.00 per couple. It's very important that the club participate to honor our 4 charter members, who will all be in attendance. In addition, this will be an excellent forum to invite either a new or prospective member to listen to RI President, Rick King, speak. If you have any questions, please contact either Mike McGovern or Dan Mooers.

Soup Kitchen - Tuesday, December 11th was our monthly evening to serve at the Soup Kitchen. Thank you to Joe Conroy, Paul Butler, Sharyn Paul, Dave & David Bagdasarian and Jim & Tori Russell. The next opportunity to serve will be Tuesday, January 8th.

Race Committee - Although you'd never know it from looking outside, planning is already underway for our road race next summer. Chairman, Dave Bagdasarian reports that it looks like we will be partnering with the Maine Children's Cancer Program as our dedicated fund-raiser next year. He also reports that he can use a few more people to help. The next meeting of the race committee is set for December 21 at 7:30am at Tim Horton's in Mill

Creek.

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That next month, specifically January 19, you are going to have the opportunity to meet and hear Rick King, Rotary International President, for the second time in this Rotary year. In August, he visited the District in Danvers, Massachusetts and next month he is coming to Portland to help us celebrate our club's 40th anniversary. Some of us made the trek to Danvers, and now all of us can hear him in Portland, and for half the cost. My inspiration to stay in Rotary all these years came after attending a Rotary International convention in Las Vegas in the mid-80s. you can receive that same motivation by hopping in your car and driving about 8 miles. **This is a real opportunity for you to invite a non-Rotarian friend or a prospective new member. There is no better way to introduce the ideals and the accomplishments of Rotary to someone presently outside the Rotary world.**

Program - Tonight's program was our annual Senior's Christmas Party. Over 50 seniors were given candy, sang carols, had a wonderful meal and enjoyed the entertainment of the Cheryl Greeley Dancers. This annual event was made possible by Warren Simpson. Thanks to Warren for all the efforts you do to make this party so memorable!

Happy Anniversary Wishes to Lloyd & Ellen Knight (12/14)! **Happy Birthday Wishes** to Annette Fisher (12/16)!

Upcoming Club Events

- December 19 - Rep. Tom Allen
(David Lourie, Program Chair)
- December 21 - Race Committee, 7:30am at
Tim Horton's Mill Creek
- December 26 - No Meeting
- January 2 - No Meeting
- January 3 - Basketball, 7:30pm
- January 8 - Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm
- January 9 - Mr. Tarpinian, Youth Alternatives
(Marcie Martelle, Program Chair)
- January 19 - 40th Anniversary, Verillo's

ASSIGNMENTS

December 19

Song Carson
Invocation Dunfey
Raffle Gift Dube
Conductor Davidson

January 9

Song Conroy
Invocation Eliassen
Raffle Gift Dunfey
Conductor Daviero

January 16

Song Cotter
Invocation A. Fischer
Raffle Gift Eliassen
Conductor Dobson

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December 19, 2001

We'll Miss You, Bill! On Friday, December 21, Bill Stanton passed away. He will be sorely missed. There are no visiting hours, but on Saturday, December 29 at 11:00 am, there will be a memorial service at Hobbs Funeral Home. Past President, Wayne Goodrich, has included a full-page tribute to Bill's life with this bulletin.

Christmas Trees - The tree sale was a resounding success this year reports President-Elect, Rick Dobson. The club grossed over \$60,000 and netted over \$28,000, making it the most profitable in recent memory. While everyone pitched in and helped, Rick gave special recognition to Peter Cotter and Fred Janson who put in numerous extra hours down at the lot.

Incoming Officers - Director-At-Large, Kathy Ray presented this year's slate of incoming officers. They are:

- *President-Elect - Jeff Gabrielson
- *Vice-President - Frank Butterworth
- *Directors - Jack Kennealy, Peter Cotter,
Mariann Goff and John Eliassen
- *Treasurer - Marcie Martelle
- *Secretary - Paul Butler
- *Director-At-Large - Bob Packer

40th Anniversary - At Verillo's on January 19th, the menu will be a choice of prime rib or stuffed haddock and the cost will be \$24.50 per person or \$49.00 per couple. It's very important that the club participate to honor our 4 charter members, who will all be in attendance. In addition, this will be an excellent forum to invite either a new or prospective member to listen to RI President, Rick King, speak. Mike announced that if you are attending the dinner, they would like to collect the money either January 9 or January 16 meeting to avoid collecting at the door. If you have any questions, please contact either Mike McGovern or Dan Mooers.

Soup Kitchen - Our next Soup Kitchen commitment is January 8, before our next meeting. Please mark your calendars.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, five car washes donated by Phil Dube, was won by John Linehan.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Fred Janson, David Lourie, Dan Davidson, Jack Roberts, Bob Danielson, Jeff Gabrielson, Mike McGovern, Nancy Hawes, Jack Kennealy, Peter Cotter, Janet McLaughlin,

Wayne Goodrich, Mariann Goff, Dave Bagdasarian, Frank Gemme and Bob Packer.

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That a strange occurrence happened every time a van full of inmates arrived at the Christmas tree lot this month and, yes, last month, too. A second van drove up and out hopped Rick D., Fred J., Dan D., Dave B., Peter C., Jeff G., David L., Jim R., Frank B., and a Rotarian to be named later. And, after the trees were unloaded they (the aforementioned) got back in the van and headed off toward Portland. If you want to send them Holiday Greeting, please address their cards to: **Cumberland County Jail, 50 County Way, Portland ME 04101!! HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!!**

Perfect Attendance - Pins were given tonight to Bob Packer (6 yrs) and Paul Butler (24 yrs).

Program - Tonight's program was Tex Hauser, South Portland Planning Director. Tex addressed the feasibility of the proposed high-rise project adjacent to the public boat ramp. Thanks to David Lourie for providing some comic relief.

Happy Anniversary Wishes to Dan & Shirley Mooers (12/31). **Happy Birthday Wishes** to Dave Bagdasarian (12/19), Rick Dobson (12/23) and Hendrik Fischer (12/27)!

Upcoming Club Events

- January 2 - No Meeting
- January 3 - Basketball, 7:30pm
- January 8 - Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm
- January 9 - Mr.Tarpinian, Youth Alternatives (Marcie Martelle, Program Chair)
- January 16 - To be determined
- January 19 - 40th Anniversary, Verillo's
- January 23 - No Meeting
- February 6 - Silent Auction/Casco Bay Sunrise Club at DiMillo's

ASSIGNMENTS

January 9

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| Song | Conroy |
| Invocation | Eliassen |
| Raffle Gift | Dunfey |
| Conductor | Daviero |

January 16

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| Song | Cotter |
| Invocation | A.Fischer |
| Raffle Gift | Eliassen |
| Conductor | Dobson |

January 23

No Meeting

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BILL

We lost Bill Stanton to cancer last Friday.

Bill had been a member of our club since 1976. President Bob, accompanied by Paul and Phil, presented Bill with his 19-year perfect attendance pin only last Thursday, the day before his passing.

A World War II veteran, Bill returned to Maine, working in management at Portland Country Club and the Eastland Hotel before going into business with his family as the owner of "Patty Ann's" (now DiCicco's) in 1966 until his retirement in 1983.

In a Rotary Club of prodigious workers – this Club we are so proud of – Bill Stanton had no peer. He never sought a leadership role, but his quiet contribution to every project, from food sales to road race to every public service event we assisted with to the Senior Citizen Party to tree sales (he took a great deal of personal pride in never missing a tree unloading as our "counter"), Bill was there with a smile and a kind word and a lot of hard work. As a regular duty, he served as Sergeant at Arms for our club for nearly all the time he was a member. He was recognized for his extraordinary service when the Club presented him with a Paul Harris Fellowship in 1991. Again in 2000, we honored him on the occasion of his 80th birthday at which, with his family present, we presented him with a "Distinguished Service" award.

Throughout his many years dealing with the public and during the 25 years of interaction in our Rotary Club, Bill remained a quiet, even shy man, polite to a fault. For some people it takes a great deal of courage to stand in front of others; Bill took great pride in standing with us. Even with us, with whom he was so comfortable, his innate reserve showed through. Bill always gave the last Happy Dollar, never wanting to interrupt any of us showoffs. Then he would quietly stand, and in a barely audible voice, give a dollar in recognition of an accomplishment of someone else. Very often it would be in honor of the "love of his life", his granddaughter, now a Stanford student, at his bedside when he passed away on Friday.

Bill had a great sense of humor and to get him to chuckle, "heh-heh-heh" was a delight. Even a week later, he would shake your hand and tell you how much he enjoyed the story or comment, and again we would hear, "heh-heh-heh", with a big grin.

Some of us were favored with lunch at the VFW on Friday for fish chowder, another place Bill was at peace and among friends. He always apologized for the "poor fare" but in truth it was delicious.

Bill could be pretty sensitive himself, too. Years ago, Bill was scheduled to work the food trailer at one of our summer events. It was a beautiful day and Bill decided after a lot of agonizing, I'm sure, to wear shorts to the event. This could not have been an easy decision for this very proper man, but he knew he was among friends and decided to take the plunge. He worked on Sunday afternoon for three hours. On the following Wednesday, Bill was not at the meeting, and our President announced that Bill had tendered his resignation. Two Rotarians invited him to lunch the next day to try to talk him out of his decision and also to find out the cause of it. Luckily for all of us, they were able to do the former, but Bill steadfastly refused to discuss any incident or any party involved that had led to his decision. It turns out, however, that one of our people had jokingly told Bill, somewhat early in the shift, "I have seen better legs on a piano". Bill, more than likely still worrying about what he may have thought was a sartorial indiscretion, took great offense at the comment, never said a word, finished his shift and went home and penned his resignation.

Nancy remembers her second meeting as a member of Rotary. Bill won the raffle prize, a dried and decorated flower and herb wreath. Quite nice. Bill immediately handed it to her as a gift.

Bill Stanton, this kind, gentle man, was the best of us. The Rotary Club of South Portland - Cape Elizabeth is diminished greatly by his passing. His quiet strength and hard work should be examples for us all. Let's all work a little harder this year, stay a little longer on a project, and give an extra happy dollar for the accomplishment of a loved one. And serve with pride.

Godspeed, Bill.