

April 30, 2003

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That we were well represented last Saturday at "**Rebuilding Together,**" an organization of local people that once a year goes into homes in greater Portland and replaces roofs, paints, repairs, cleans, rakes and replaces worn out items for people who can no longer afford or are physically unable to do these things for themselves. The Casco Bay Sunrise Club was also well represented. Merry Maids, **Marcie Martelle and Edie Davidson**, spent over half the day along with 3 young teenagers, just cleaning the kitchen. **Jeff Gabrielson, Dave Bagdasarian and Dan Davidson**, in the rain, replaced the back steps on the house. **Rick and J.D. Dobson** put up a double hand rail on the stairs to the 2nd floor and **Tony Wagner** and myself replaced the ceiling in the downstairs bathroom and **Jim Russell**, oh yes Jim showed up just before the pizza arrived and then we didn't see him again (just kidding, Jim). Jim was our runner to the hardware stores, etc., picking up items that we needed to finish the job. Unfortunately, **Peter Cotter**, who reported early was called away because of the death of his sister-in-law in Massachusetts. This was a day of Rotary "truly at work" and exemplifies for all those who were present what Rotary was all about. Ironically, the house we visited in Portland was occupied by a former Rotarian from Manchester, N.H. who used to play the Koch--- organ in Merrill Auditorium. The club owes **Dan Davidson** a huge "**THANK YOU**" for all the efforts he put into organization our involvement in this event.

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift donated by Jack Kennealy, was won by Phil Dube.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Jeff Gabrielson, Mariann Goff, Adrienne Murphy, J.D. Dobson, Dan Davidson, Marcie Martelle, Phil Dube, Bill Daviero, Laurenz Schmidt, Dan Mooers, Thurston Holt, Bob Packer, Frank Butterworth and Rick Dobson.

GSE Team - On May 20, our club is hosting the incoming GSE team from India. If you can help out by hosting for the day, please let Rick Dobson know.

New Member Open House - In about 4-5 weeks, Mike McGovern will be hosting an open house for new and prospective members. If you have anyone in mind, this is an excellent opportunity to introduce them to Rotary. A firm date will follow.

Family Fun Day - Frank Butterworth is looking for two co-chairs for this year's Family Fun Day on June 14. Please see him if you're interested.

Camp Sebago Clean Up - On Saturday, May 10 the club will participating in a clean up project at the Salvation Army Camp Sebago from 9:00am to 4:00pm. If you are interested in helping out, please let Rick know.

District Conference - This year's District Conference is being held at the Grand Summit in Newry, Maine from May 22-25. The theme is "It's A Small World." They'll be many exciting speakers lined up, as well as interesting meal and breakout sessions. If you have any questions, please contact Marie Williams at (207) 439-3761 or see Rick Dobson who has registration forms.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Kelly Clark, a student from Scarborough High School. She is an accomplished swimmer who has been selected as a participant in an ambassadorial program called "People to People International." This exchange program sends about 200 students to New Zealand and Australia for three weeks learning about the different cultures, visiting places of interest such as the Great Barrier Reef, the rain forests and participating in athletic competitions with their counterparts from these countries. The goal of the program is to develop leadership and build relationships with people from abroad. Thank you, Mariann Goff, for providing such an inspirational speaker.

Upcoming Club Events

- May 7 - **Brazilian Student (M. Goff, P.C.)**
- May 10 - **Camp Sebago Cleanup (9am-4pm)**
- May 13 - **Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm**
- May 14 - **Dr. Kate Eastman, Jason Program, (Jim Russell, Program Chair)**
- May 22-25 - **District Conference**
- June 14 - **Family Fun Day**

ASSIGNMENTS

May 7

Song Carson
Invocation Kennealy
Raffle Gift Knight
Conductor Goff

May 14

Song Conroy
Invocation Knight
Raffle Gift Linehan
Conductor Goodrich

May 21

Song Cotter
Invocation Linehan
Raffle Gift Lourie
Conductor Hawes

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