

March 12, 2003

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That some of you probably remember that old high school tale that "the dog ate my homework." I certainly don't, but that's because I was in high school a long time ago. Well, it seems that Wayne Goodrich was in New Hampshire a short while ago and was doing an evening make-up at some dinner party that cost him thirty-one dollars. It also seems that that night the Rotary Club sponsoring this dinner had a temporary secretary who had his car stolen on the night of the dinner and, you guessed it, the make-up cards for that night's event were in the stolen card. Since I'm still in Florida, I'm asking the Board of Directors to vote whether or not Wayne gets a make-up for this meeting without an official make-up card. Please don't be too hard on him. After all, he had to leave the ice-covered pool in Naples, Florida and come all the way up to snow-covered New Hampshire to originate this story!!

Raffle - Tonight's raffle prize, a 50/50 drawing, was won by Dave Bagdasarian.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Jeff Gabrielson, Dave Bagdasarian, Lloyd Knight, Frank Butterworth, Dan Mooers, Marcie Martelle, Ed Ingraham, Dan Davidson, Rick Dobson and assorted Lions and Kiwanians.

Basketball - Our next two dates are March 17 and March 27 at the Cape Middle School gym. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Davidson or Jim Russell.

Strike Out Polio - Please mark your calendars for the Bowl-A-Thon scheduled at Yankee Lanes from 11:00am-1:00pm on Sunday, March 23. We have four teams headed by Mariann Goff, Eleanor Brainin, Brad Smith and Frank Butterworth. If you don't know which team you are on, please contact either Adrienne Murphy or Bill Daviero. We will be looking for either corporate sponsorships or team members to solicit pin sponsorships or pledges for their teams.

Soup Kitchen Wrap Up - Joe Conroy would like to thank Bob Packer, Dan Gacetta, Dave Bagdasarian, Rick & Diane Dobson and Kathy & Megan Ray who served last night. Our next opportunity to serve is Tuesday, April 8.

Community Project - Dan Davidson has taken charge of getting together a Rotary team to work on the Rebuilding Together workday - Saturday, April 26. Dan will be passing around a sign up sheet in the next couple weeks to work on this worthwhile project in either South Portland or Cape Elizabeth.

Program - Tonight's meeting was a joint service clubs meeting with the Lions Club of Cape Elizabeth, the Lions Club of Thornton Heights, the Lions Club of South Portland and the South Portland Kiwanis Club. The spirit of fellowship will hopefully translate into us all working together on various community projects or, at the very least, signage. Tonight's speaker was Ann Lee Hussey whose topic was her visit to India last February as part of a national immunization day that ultimately resulted in the vaccination of 165 million children in India. Ann Lee spoke of the cultural difficulties in getting some Indians to present their children, which has led to outbreaks. She also spoke of how warmly the people treated them during their stay in India. The state that she was in had almost 79% of all the reported cases in the country of polio during the last year. As you may know, India is one of only seven countries that have had incidents of wild polio virus. It is hoped that the efforts of this past immunization day, as well as several planned for 2003, will lead to the elimination of polio in India this year. Thank you, Dan Mooers, for organizing this memorable event.

Upcoming Club Events

- March 19 - Dudley Davis, Executive Director, Yes To Youth (Dan Davidson, Program Chair)
- March 29 - District Interact Conference
- April 2, Harold Pacios, International Diplomacy Commission (J. Kennealy, P.C.)
- May 10 - Camp Sebago Clean Up
- May 22-25 - District Conference

ASSIGNMENTS

March 19

Song Stickney
Invocation Gemme
Raffle Gift Gabrielson
Conductor Dunphy

March 26

Song Wagner
Invocation Goff
Raffle Gift Gacetta
Conductor Eliassen

April 2

Song Yerxa
Invocation Goodrich
Raffle Gift Gemme
Conductor H. Fischer

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