From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That I tried to do a make-up at the Black Point Inn before I was whisked away by other individuals (refer to previous columns). Remember the morning of Tuesday, February 18, the storm morning? Not wanting to drive my car, I borrowed my son-inlaw's snowmobile, passed 4 cemeteries, 3 golf courses, 2 tennis courts and a Scarborough police officer with his radar gun on. The officer thought I looked familiar from his America's Most Wanted photos and, while he was checking me out, I took off through the woods where he couldn't follow me and, when I hit Scarboro Beach, I turned left instead of right and ended up at the Inn By The Sea. My question to the Board is do I get credit for a makeup for Tuesday morning? After all, isn't this a more believable story than the one Wayne came up with about the stolen secretary's car in New Hampshire!!

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Borders Books donated by Jeff Gabrielson, was won by Phil Dube.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were donated tonight by Adrienne Murphy, Jeff Gabrielson, Jack Kennealy, Jack Roberts, Mariann Goff, Matt McAleney, Eleanor Brainin, David Lourie, Dan Mooers, Peter Cotter, John Linehan, Thurston Holt, Phil Dube, Dan Davidson, Andy Stickney and Rick Dobson.

Polio Eradication - Fulfilling Our Promise

Some of the reasons why the polio eradication effort should be supported by every Rotarian are:

- -Eradication will end the need for routine polio immunization and its attendant costs, freeing up US\$1.5 billion in savings each year for other health purposes.
- -No more polio-caused pain, death or disability. Eradication throughout the world will prevent polio from spreading back into countries now free of the disease.
- -Polio immunization programs promote routine immunization for other childhood diseases.
- -The opportunity to be a part of this great humanitarian mission.

Basketball - Our next two dates are March 27 and

March 31 at the Cape Middle School gym. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Davidson or Jim Russell.

Strike Out Polio - The time has come for our Bowl-A-Thon to eradicate polio - this Sunday, March 23 from 11:00am to 1:00pm at Yankee Lanes in Portland. Even if you haven't yet given a pledge, it is not too late to just show up and make a pledge on the spot. Bill Daviero reports that we have

already received pledges of over \$4,000 for this event. Please give this event your consideration as we can use everyone's participation.

<u>Community Project</u> - 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 speaker was Dudley Davis, Executive Director of "Yes To Youth (YTY)." YTY is designed for children ages 10-18. mission is to use sports as a means to attract children to get them to become contributing citizens in their communities. The program began 8 years ago with 40 children. The younger children (ages 10-14) play basketball with a sports-related curriculum focusing on math and science. The older children (ages 14 and above) are exposed to all aspects of television broadcasting. presentations that these children have developed can be seen on WGME and WPXT. Time Warner Cable has been a generous participant as well. Currently, the program has about 550 youths in it. Thank you, Dan Davidson, for bringing Dudley to us.

Upcoming Club Events

- -March 26 Regular Meeting
- -March 29 District Interact Conference
- -April 2 Harold Pachios, US Advisory Comm. on Public Diplomacy (J. Kennealy, P.C.)
- -April 8 Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm
- -April 9 (Jack Roberts, Program Chair)
- -May 10 Camp Sebago Clean Up
- -May 22-25 District Conference

ASSIGNMENTS

March 26

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April 2

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Invocation Hawes
Raffle Gift Gemme
Conductor H. Fischer

April 9

Song Bagdasarian
Invocation Hewitt
Raffle Gift Hobbs
Conductor Gabrielson

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