April 2, 2003

Dateline: Venice, Florida

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know? That the original Rotary clubs formed almost 100 years ago only had to meet twice a month, and years later when Rotary changed to weekly meetings, these original clubs were "grandfathered" so members of these clubs could continue to meet twice a month. I sat beside a member of one of these clubs at a make up here in Venice last week. He's from Richmond, Virginia and he told me there are four such clubs in Virginia. The Rotarian on my left was from Ohio, and he was in the same category. You know, if Dick K., Warren, Dan G. and Dick Y. were 97 years old, our club would be "grandfathered," too.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Joe's Boathouse donated by Frank Gemme, was won by Hendrik Fischer.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Jeff Gabrielson, Dan Mooers, Adrienne Murphy, Laurenz Schmidt, Mariann Goff, Mac Sexton, Marcie Martelle, Frank Gemme, Jim Russell, Jack Kennealy, Jack Roberts, Hendrik Fischer, Matt McAleney, J.D. Dobson, David Lourie, Jack Cowie (Scarborough Club) and Rick Dobson.

<u>Soup Kitchen</u> - Our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation is this Tuesday, April 8 at 6:00pm. The dessert is brownies with no nuts. Our signup tonight was somewhat skimpy, so please consider helping out.

Help Wanted! Christian Smith is looking for some assistance for soliciting businesses for the 2003 United Way Campaign. This would involve a training session and going and meeting with a handful of businesses who have given in the past. Please contact him if you can help.

<u>**Golf Tournament</u></u> - On Monday, June 16, the Casco Bay Sunrise Club is sponsoring a golf tournament at the Val Halla Country Club. A part of this tournament is the Rotary challenge pitting teams of 4 golfers from each club against each other. If you would like to participate, please see Rick Dobson or contact Jim Bouchard at 871-6111.</u>** <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.

District Assembly - This year's assembly will be held on Tuesday, April 22 at 8:00am at the York County Technical College in Wells. All incoming officers to the district are encouraged to attend, as well as any other members of the club. Please see Rick Dobson to sign up.

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 Harold Pachios from the U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy. This Commission was started in 1948 to win the hearts and minds of people in Eastern Europe and the Third World during the Cold War. Primarily this involved student exchanges, Voice Of America and information services such as cultural exchanges. After the Cold War, the Commission has fallen out of favor and funding has dropped. The current world situation shows that public diplomacy is as important now as ever. Thank you, Jack Kennealy, for providing such a fascinating speaker.

<u>Editor's Note</u> - Next week's program features Wu Shumei a visiting teacher from China. She has requested that we not ask questions about the political system in China after she speaks.

Upcoming Club Events

- -April 8 Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm
- -April 9-Wu Shumei/ Chinese Visiting Teacher
- (Jack Roberts, Program Chair)
- -April 16 Club Assembly
- -April 22 District Assembly
- -April 26 Rebuilding Together

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April 9, 2003

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That there are differences among Rotary clubs that I discovered last month in Florida. The South Venice Rotary Club has 40 members, **only 2 of whom are women**, and 24 "Snotarians" from Maine to Illinois and Canada. Only the visiting Rotarians, averaging 10 a week, are introduced, and they usually have to introduce themselves either by telling their classification or the name of their home club, etc., each week. On a personal note, I won 1/3 of their cash raffle two weeks in a row, and I think they were glad I made up in North Port the following week!! Note: The two "Snotarians" closest to home are Don Lowry (lawyer) from Falmouth and Henry Saunders (wood manufacturing) from Westbrook.

Next week: The North Port Club.

<u>**Raffle</u>** - Tonight's raffle prize, a Borders gift certificate donated by Jeff Hobbs, was won by Bob Danielson.</u>

Soup Kitchen Wrap Up - Thanks to all who attended last night's Soup Kitchen: John & Gerry Hewitt, Paul Butler, Thurston Holt, Bob Packer, Dick Yerxa, Dave Bagdasarian, Adrienne Murphy and Jeff, Randall & James Hobbs. Our next Soup Kitchen obligation will be Tuesday, May 13.

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Bowl-A-Thon - There are still some outstanding pledges in our Bowl-A-Thon event. If you have not yet turned in your pledge, please do so as soon as possible so we can figure out our total. Please see Adrienne with any questions.

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Program - Tonight's speaker was Wu Shumei (Mei, for short) an AFS exchange teacher currently at the Pond Cove Elementary School. Mei is a very passionate and articulate young woman. She has found the American children curious and eager to learn about China. The biggest difference that she has noticed is that the class size in America is considerably less than in China, where she would teach an average of 80 students per class. When asked her biggest surprise with the American people, Mei stated that the openness and graciousness of the people she has met was a surprise to her. Thank you, Jack Roberts, for a very interesting program.

<u>Editor's Note</u> - Thank you, Adrienne Murphy, for taking notes at tonight's meeting.

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- -April 22 District Assembly
- -April 23 Regular Meeting
- -April 26 Rebuilding Together
- -May 22-25 District Conference

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That the North Port Rotary Club, some 30 miles south of Venice, Florida on Rte 41, is some contrast to the South Venice Rotary Club. It used to be a club of 30-40 members, but it split up, forming a luncheon club and a breakfast club, which I visited for my third make-up (Kathy) in Florida. The breakfast club now has about 19 members, and the sad part is that there were more visiting Rotarians (about 10) at the breakfast than there were club members present. They had no speaker for the day and didn't even apologize for it and spent most of the time with the Sergeant of Arms collecting fines from everyone, and he was really good at it. It made me think that we haven't used the SOA in our club in this capacity for quite some time!! Next week: Ft. Myers.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Nonesuch Books donated by Thurston Holt, was won by Kathy Cotter.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Jim Russell, Bob Carson, Frank Gemme, J.D. Dobson, Phil Dube, John Linehan, Nancy Hawes, Frank Butterworth, Jack Kennealy, Thurston Holt, Bob Packer, Bill Daviero, Paul Butler and Rick Dobson.

Paul Harris Recognition - Tonight President Rick awarded Paul Harris recognition to Peter Cotter. Peter has been a staunch supporter of the Foundation since getting the "sales pitch" from Tony Wagner several years ago. This was a very moving and appropriate ceremony to a man who exemplifies what "service about self" is all about. Congratulations, Peter.

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Program - Tonight's program featured Past DG Elias Thomas and Bill Dubois, a police officer from Somersworth, New Hampshire, speaking about their experiences as GSE team members to India this year. GSE, which was begin in 1965, is an exchange of a Rotary member and 4 or 5 non-Rotarians to another Rotary district in the world with the goal of building goodwill and understanding amongst the peoples of the world. Bill said that the trip really made him appreciate how lucky he is, and Elias spoke of the influence they had on the children in an orphanage in Delhi and how much the children appreciated the trinkets they brought with them. Volunteers are needed for next year's GSE team. If you know of anyone that may be interested, let President Rick know. Thank you, Jack Kennealy, for providing such a moving program.

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-April 22 - District Assembly

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- -May 10 Camp Sebago Cleanup (9am-4pm)

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That it has happened again. I have 2 Rotary makeup cards with no name on them and they are in an envelope postmarked Ft. Meyers, Florida. Now I don't think we have any Snotarians in Ft. Meyers. Wayne is in Naples, **500 miles** to the south, John H. is on Marco Island further south and he's back in Maine and Sam and Dick K. are in Sarasota about **1000 miles** to the north. Maybe the cards are from a former Rotarian playing a joke on me, someone like Bill Kourakos, but anyway I have the Florida Highway Patrol working on those names. In the meantime, if any of you have any idea who it is, please call me at (941) 799-1550 or, better yet, email me at **starkeprison.com**. Please don't email me at night, as the bulb in my cell has burned out!!

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to L.L. Bean donated by Ed Ingraham, was won by Frank Butterworth.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Frank Butterworth, John Eliassen, Janet McLaughlin, Dan Davidson, Matt McAleney, Thurston Holt, Mac Sexton, Mariann Goff, Marc Mutty, Marcie Martelle, Bob Carson, Jim Russell 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.

<u>New Member Open House</u> - 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.

<u>Africa Trip</u> - On May 11, Dan Mooers will be traveling to Zimbabwe. He has requested donations of pencils and pads of paper to bring with him for school children in Africa. Please bring your donations to the next couple meetings.

<u>**Community Project</u>** - Saturday, April 26 at 7:00am, we will be meeting at the Doubletree Hotel on Congress Street. If you haven't signed up, please just show up. We will be painting, so wear appropriate clothing. Bring your own lunch, something to drink and wear something with a Rotary emblem. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Davidson.</u>

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Program - Tonight's program was a club assembly. President Rick began by summarizing some of the donations that the club has made over the past 3 months, including \$3,500 to the Rotary Foundation and \$300 to the "Know Yourself/Be Yourself" workshop at the Pond Cove Elementary School. He filled in the club on the disposition of an accident on the tree lot this year. The plaque honoring Bill Stanton is set to go on the food trailer and a new plaque is going up at the picnic shelter thanking Rotary. In other activities, the club will be working on the fire barn doors at Ft. Williams, we are sponsoring two high school students from South Portland at this year's RYLA conference and Frank Butterworth is looking for a chairman for Family Fun Day on June 14. During the question and answer period, the point was made that we need to let Marc Mutty know well in advance who you have scheduled as a program so that we can get that information into the bulletin. In addition, we need to start thinking about new members.

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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.

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

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - 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.

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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. **<u>Camp Sebago Clean Up</u>** - 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.

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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,
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May 7, 2003

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That of the 40 Rotary clubs in our district, **21** of them are breakfast clubs, **15** are luncheon clubs and only **4** are dinner clubs - and I believe the Falmouth Rotary Club that meets at the Portland Country Club at 4:15pm does not serve dinner!! In the semi-circle from Brunswick to Windham to Biddeford-Saco, there are **13** clubs that fall in the meeting matrix just described.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to the Village Cafe donated by Lloyd Knight, was won by Jack Kennealy.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Nancy Hawes, Jim Russell, Sara Lane, J.D. Dobson, Jack Kennealy, Ed Ingraham, Mac Sexton, Matt McAleney, Mariann Goff, Jack Roberts, Joe Conroy, Thurston Holt, Warren Simpson, Dan Mooers, John Eliassen, Paul Butler, Frank Butterworth and Jeff Gabrielson.

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GSE Team - Peter Cotter is looking for help on May 20 with our hosting of the GSE team. Specifically, he is looking for drivers and a person to take one of the members in Finance and one of the members in Media Broadcasting. If you can help in any way, please see Peter.

<u>New Member Open House</u> - Mike McGovern announced we will be hosting an open house for new and prospective members sometime near the end of June. If you have anyone in mind, this is an excellent opportunity to introduce them to Rotary.

Family Fun Day - Frank Butterworth announced tonight that Ed Ingraham and Tom Meyers are cochairing this year's Family Fun Day on June 14. Thank you to both of them. **Soup Kitchen** - This Tuesday, May 13 at 6:00pm is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. The sign up went around tonight and only 4 people signed up, so we can use some more help. Please mark your calendars and try to make this if possible. The dessert is brownies with no nuts.

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<u>Changeover Night</u> - Our annual Changeover Night will be Wednesday, June 25 at either the Inn By The Sea or the Higgins Beach Inn. More details and a sign up sheet will follow.

Program - Tonight's program was two Youth Exchange students from Brazil - Rodrigo Paula and Priscilla Schilling. They spoke very proudly and passionately about their country's music, history, geography, economy and future. Although Brazil was initially colonized by Portugal, it has become a mixing pot of various nationalities, as evidenced by Priscilla who is of German descent. Both of these students have enjoyed a very positive experience in the United States and look forward to using their acquired command of the English language in future endeavors. Thank you to Mariann Goff for providing a very interesting program and providing a glimpse of the Brazilian culture.

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That I just received a nice "thank you" note from Dick Kilroy for the flowers I sent him on the club's behalf when he was in the hospital in Sarasota. He also thanks you for the many calls and get well cards. Dick plans to fly to Maine on or about May 20th, so maybe we can all welcome him back at our regular meeting on the 21st.

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Soup Kitchen Wrap Up - Joe Conroy reports that the Soup Kitchen went well last night. Serving for the club were Dan & Edie Davidson, Bob Packer, Paul Butler, Dave Bagdasarian, John Eliassen and Mac Sexton. In addition, Joe reports that in June, July and August, the kitchen will be closed for renovations and moved to a church on Chestnut Street. Joe will give more precise information prior to next month's service. Wanted: Ink Jet Cartridges - Jeff Gabrielson has come up with a neat and easy way to raise money for our club by recycling used ink jet cartridges. For every cartridge that we turn in, we get a credit to our club for anywhere from \$1-14. Jeff has a list of the cartridges that are eligible to be recycled, as well as envelopes and/or boxes to send the materials in for credit. Please consider participating in this quick and easy fundraiser.

Program - Tonight's program was Dr. Kate Eastman, Executive Director of The Jason Program. The Jason Program provides medical, emotional and spiritual support to critically ill and dying children and their families throughout Maine. Every week 1-3 children die in the state from causes related to lifethreatening conditions. Caring for these children requires a well-coordinated team and a deep commitment to both the child and the family. The Jason Program exists to serve these individuals. Thank you, Dr. Eastman, for providing such a worthwhile service.

Upcoming Club Events

-May 21 - (Jeff Gabrielson, Program Chair) -May 22-25 - District Conference -May 28 - (John Eliassen, Program Chair) -June 4 - (John Hewitt, Program Chair)

-June 10 - Soup Kitchen (NOTE: There will be a location change - watch for more info.)

-June 11 - (John Linehan, Program Chair)

-June 14 - Family Fun Day

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June 4 Song

Invocation Raffle Gift Conductor Davidson Martelle McAleney Hobbs

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May 21, 2003

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That there is exciting news about the Wayside Soup Kitchen Joe Conroy reported to the some 30 of you who were in attendance last week. The building will be renovated, including the dining room and stockroom, and this will include a new dishwasher in the kitchen. They are even going to knock out the east wall, but I don't know where that will lead to. The other "good news" is that they are going to continue serving meals at the Chestnut Street United Methodist Church, Portland, for the months of June, July and into August. Chestnut Street runs between Cumberland Avenue and Congress Street just beyond Portland High School. Chestnut Street is one-way from Cumberland Avenue and there is plenty of parking in the church parking lot that you enter from Chestnut Street.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to L.L. Bean donated by David Lourie, was won by Tom Meyers.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Tom Meyers, Marc Mutty, Bill Daviero, Ed Ingraham, Bob Danielson, Jim Russell, Paul Butler, Frank Gemme, Mariann Goff, Sara Lane, Matt McAleney, Dan Mooers, Mac Sexton, David Lourie, Laurenz Schmidt, Bob Packer, Andy Stickney, Bob Carson, John Eliassen, Dick Yerxa, Mike McGovern, Jack Roberts, Jeff Gabrielson and Rick Dobson.

<u>New Member Proposals</u> - Steve Lavallee of Cape Elizabeth, whose classification is Mortgage Broker, has been proposed for membership by Bob Danielson. Jeffrey Crain of South Portland, whose classification is Disability Claims, has been proposed for membership by Rick Dobson.

<u>Africa Trip</u> - Dan Mooers reported on his recent trip to Africa, thanking the club for its support. Thank you, Dan, for all <u>you</u> do.

<u>New Member Open House</u> - Mike McGovern announced we will be hosting an open house for new and prospective members sometime near the end of June. If you have anyone in mind, this is an excellent opportunity to introduce them to Rotary.

<u>Road Race</u> - Dave Bagdasarian announced that the Road Race Committee is starting up again. Anyone

interested in working on the race this year, please contact him.

<u>Changeover Night</u> - Our annual Changeover Night will be Wednesday, June 25 at either the Inn By The Sea or the Higgins Beach Inn. More details and a sign up sheet will follow. <u>Congratulations, Mr. Conroy</u> - At this year's National Honor Society ceremony, it was announced that the Cape Elizabeth chapter has been renamed the Joe Conroy Chapter of the National Honor Society. As you all know, Joe epitomizes that it means to be a gentleman and scholar. Well done, Joe!

Family Fun Day - Our initial fund raising event is Saturday, June 14. A sign up sheet went around tonight and, although the initial sign up was good, there is still room for more people. Please mark your calendars.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Tina Harden of the Cape Elizabeth Playground Committee, speaking specifically about the new playground at Fort Williams. The playground will feature two separate structures - one for toddlers and another for older children incorporating a nautical theme. The cost of the new playground is estimated at approximately \$90,000 of which nearly \$70,000 has been budgeted for by the Fort Williams committee. Construction is scheduled for Spring, 2004. Thank you, Jeff Gabrielson, for providing such an interesting program.

- Upcoming Club Events
- -May 22-25 District Conference -May 28 - (John Eliassen, Program Chair) -June 4 - Bradley McCurtain, ME Securities Commission (John Hewitt, Program Chair) -June 10 - Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm, Chestnut Street United Methodist Church -June 11 - (John Linehan, Program Chair) -June 14 - Family Fun Day -June 25 - Changeover Night

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That we were well represented at the recent District Conference at Sunday River. Dan & Shirley Mooers were present and, after Dan told us all about his recent trip to Africa, he brought us all up-to-date on where we are with Polio Eradication. We were told that the district has exceeded its \$300,000 goal by \$27,000. It is expected that we might raise close to \$380,000 before the campaign is over. President Rick & Diane were there, and Rick introduced one of the speakers at the Fourth Plenary Session. Mike McGovern attended for a couple nights, as he had to fly out to the RI Conference in Australia. President-Elect, Jeff Gabrielson & Linda attended and, last but certainly not least, Nancy Hawes, Coordinator of the Inbound Youth Exchange students for the past 3 years, presented students from Chile, Brazil, Germany, Norway, Romania, the Republic of Georgia, Turkey, India, the Philippines and Indonesia. Of note, in a question and answer period that followed, each student was asked what his/her favorite food was during his/her visit - 8 out of 10 said Nancy's cookies!!

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to L.L. Bean donated by Marcia Martelle, was won by Frank Butterworth.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Jeff Gabrielson, Nancy Hawes, Marc Mutty, Rick Dobson, Kathy Ray, Jack Roberts, Mac Sexton, Paul Butler, Sam Giftos, Bob Carson, Phil Dube, John Hewitt, John Linehan, David Lourie, Frank Butterworth, Jim Russell, Thurston Holt, Mariann Goff, Matt McAleney, Marcie Martelle and J.D. Dobson.

<u>New Member</u> - Tonight we inducted Sara Lane as a new member. Sara is a resident of South Portland, having grown up in Cape Elizabeth. She looks forward to giving something back to the community and warned the club that even though she was nominated by Mariann Goff, her vocal ability is limited. Welcome, Sara!

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Program - Tonight's speaker was Abe Peck, a Professor of History at USM and a Jefferson Award winner. The topic of his talk was divisive issues in a post 9/11 environment. Abe began by saying that these are truly perilous times and that religious conflicts seem to be the worst because of the fanatical nature of the enemy. "Who is the enemy that we are fighting?," he asked. The answer is militant Islam, which traces its roots back to the late 1970s and the overthrow of the Shah of Iran. Worldwide, there are over 1.2 billion Muslims with the militant faction being only 10-15% of this group. So, what is important is to win the hearts and minds of the silent majority in this battle with the militant fundamentalists. Thank you, Marc Mutty, for providing this interesting program.

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That there is an **Old Geezer Test** going around, but I bet you all know the answer to this one question that I picked from twenty. What was the most dreaded disease in the 1940s?

- a. Smallpox
- b. AIDS
- c. Polio

The answer is, of course, **c. Polio**. Swimming pools were closed, movies and other public gathering places were closed to try and prevent the spread of the disease. And now, by the year 2005, thanks to Rotary and its global partners, the world is on the threshold of eradicating the poliovirus that has destroyed so many lives and hopes. By the way, Old Geezers start with anyone the age of Dave B. and older!!

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Nonesuch Books donated by Matt McAleney, was won by John Linehan.

<u>Changeover Night</u> - Our annual Changeover Night will be Wednesday, June 25 at the Inn By The Sea. We will be under an elaborate tent set up on the lawn that will allow for comfortable seating for all. The cost for the dinner is \$25 per person with a choice of three entrees. This is a spouses or significant other night and all are encouraged to attend. A sign up sheet will be going around at next week's meeting.

Soup Kitchen - This coming Tuesday is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. Remember that the Kitchen has been temporarily moved to the Chestnut Street Church, which is located directly behind the City Hall on Chestnut Street. If you have some time, please come at 6:00pm.

Family Fun Day - June 14 is Family Fun Day at Fort Williams. If you have not yet signed up, please see co-chairs Tom Meyers or Ed Ingraham. We can use some more help on several shifts.

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Program - Tonight's speaker was Brad McCurtain from Maine Securities on the topic of "Can You Invest in Your Own Backyard and Make Money?" The answer is "yes." Maine Securities is a company that specializes in Maine-based securities. The trend for these companies has been positive in the past few years, certainly better than more broadly-based averages. Some of these companies include Banknorth, Idexx, Fairchild Semiconductor, Unum Provident and Immucell. Brad made the point that as a shareholder in these companies it is your responsibility to be involved, attend the annual meetings and vote your shares accordingly. Companies do listen and are willing to bend to the wishes of an active shareholder population. Thank you, John Hewitt, for bringing us this very interesting program.

<u>Editor's Note</u> - Thanks to Adrienne Murphy for taking notes at tonight's meeting.

<u>**Condolences</u>** - The club offers its sympathies to Jeff Gabrielson on the unexpected death of his father and to the incoming RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe's wife, Ade.</u>

<u>Upcoming Club Events</u> -June 10 - Soup Kitchen, 6:00pm, Chestnut Street United Methodist Church -June 11 - (John Linehan, Program Chair) -June 14 - Family Fun Day -June 18 - Regular Meeting -June 25 - Changeover Night

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From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That it is time to remind all of you again about "other" attendance make-ups besides attending a meeting at another Rotary club. A Board of Director's meeting, working at the Soup Kitchen, any District 7780 event (i.e., PETS conference, District Assembly or District Conference) all count as a make-up, **but** you must let the secretary know that you are using one of these "events" as a make-up. Pretty dull stuff after last week's column!!!

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize donated by Mike McGovern was won by Tom Noyes.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Jeff Gabrielson, Bob Carson, Mike McGovern, John Eliassen, Dave Bagdasarian, Ed Ingraham, Dan Davidson, Mac Sexton, Tom Noyes, Marcie Martelle, David Lourie, Dan Mooers, Bob Packer, Sara Lane, Mariann Goff, Frank Gemme, Marc Mutty, Rick Dobson and John Linehan.

<u>Changeover Night</u> - Our annual Changeover Night will be Wednesday, June 25 at the Inn By The Sea. We will be under an elaborate tent set up on the lawn that will allow for comfortable seating for all. The cost for the dinner is \$25 per person with a choice of chicken, fish or ravioli. This is a spouse or significant other night and all are encouraged to attend. A sign up sheet has gone around and will be circulated next week as well.

Family Fun Day - As we go to the presses, the date of Family Fun Day has been changed to June 21. Please let either Tom Meyers or Ed Ingraham know if you can still make the shift obligation you signed up or if you need to change. As this is a last-minute change, both will be scrambling to fill the shifts, so your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

<u>Weight Loss Contest</u> - Ed Ingraham announced tonight's results of the club's weight loss challenge. Nineteen people participated, 10 gained weight, 7 lost weight and 2 broke even. If you were in the contest, Ed urges you to settle up with him so we can send the money raised (about \$450) to the Polio Plus campaign.

<u>Cartridge Recycling Program</u> - Jeff Gabrielson is

looking for someone in the club to head up our cartridge recycling fund raising program. Please see him if you have an interest.

<u>New Member Open House</u> - Mike McGovern announced he will be hosting an open house for new and prospective members in the near future. If you have anyone in mind, this is a great opportunity to introduce them to Rotary.

<u>Road Race</u> - Dave Bagdasarian announced that the Road Race Committee is starting up again. Anyone interested in working on the race this year, please contact him.

<u>New Member</u> - Tonight we inducted our newest member, Jeff Crain. Jeff is a supervisor of long-term disability claims and is the son-in-law of current club president, Rick Dobson. He resides in South Portland with his wife, 2-year old son and they are expecting their second child. Welcome to the club, Jeff.

Program - Tonight's speaker was Kevin Stack, Postal Inspector for the State of Maine. The Postal Inspection Service goes all the way back to 1737 when Ben Franklin was given the task of auditing post offices. The Service handles such things as mail fraud, identity theft, foreign lotteries, advance fee schemes and all types of fraud, not only through the mail but also through any common carrier. One of the most troubling recent developments is identify Kevin recommends that you destroy theft. thoroughly any credit card applications or convenience checks sent to you, as these are common vehicles for thieves to manipulate. Kevin also recommends checking your credit history at least once a year to make sure that no one is taking advantage of you. Thank you to John Linehan for providing such an interesting speaker.

<u>Upcoming Club Events</u> -June 18 - Regular Meeting -June 21 - Family Fun Day -June 25 - Changeover Night -July 2 - No Meeting

-July 3 - PSO Concert, 6:00pm, Ft. Williams -July 8 - Soup Kitchen

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June 18, 2003

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That I have some more pretty dull stuff!! A member can request a leave of absence, which then has to be approved by the Board of Directors. If granted, the member is then excused from the attendance requirements of Rotary while he or she is on leave, **BUT** his absence is counted against the club's attendance while he is on leave **AND** his or her perfect attendance, if applicable, is interrupted and starts again as new when the member comes off leave.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Borders donated by Janet McLaughlin, was won by Jeff Crain, our newest member.

Happy Dollars- Dollars were given tonight by DanMooers, JackKennealy, FrankButterworth,Thurston Holt, Andy Stickney, J.D. Dobson, MattMcAleney, Jeff Gabrielson and Rick Dobson.

<u>Changeover Night</u> - Our annual Changeover Night will be Wednesday, June 25 at the Inn By The Sea. We will be under an elaborate tent set up on the lawn that will allow for comfortable seating for all. The cost for the dinner is \$25 per person with a choice of chicken, fish or ravioli. This is a spouse or significant other night and all are encouraged to attend. The deadline for letting the Inn By The Sea know a head count is June 19. Please contact Jack Kennealy ASAP to let him know if you are or are not attending if you have not done so already.

Family Fun Day - This event is scheduled for Saturday, June 21. With the change from June 14, some people had to drop out of the sign up, so we can use some additional help. The 12-3pm shift is particularly skimpy. Please contact either Tom Meyers or Ed Ingraham if you can come.

<u>Cartridge Recycling Program</u> - Jeff Gabrielson is looking for someone in the club to head up our cartridge recycling fund raising program. Please see him if you have an interest.

<u>Road Race</u> - Dave Bagdasarian announced that the Road Race Committee is starting up again. Anyone interested in working on the race this year, please contact him. **Foundation Giving** - Jeff Gabrielson reported to the club that although our Polio Plus campaign has been a great success, annual giving to the Foundation has suffered tremendously. Currently, we've raised less than 40% of our goal in Foundation giving, which means in three years programs like GSE and scholarships are in jeopardy. If you are considering a gift to the Foundation, please do so before the end of the month so that we can raise the totals to mediate this loss.

<u>New Member Open House</u> - Mike McGovern announced he will be hosting an open house for new and prospective members in the near future. If you have anyone in mind, this is a great opportunity to introduce them to Rotary.

<u>PSO Concert</u> - On Thursday, July 3 from 4:00pm to close, we will be working the PSO concert at Fort Williams. Peter Cotter has created two shifts for sign up - 4-7pm and 7pm to close. Please contact him if you can work a shift.

Program - Tonight's program was a run down by President Rick of some of the goals and plans for the past year and their status. The two goals we have not been able to finish are the signage coming into the towns and an increase in club membership. Another topic Rick hit on was the content and make up of club programs. By and large everyone agreed that we had a good variety of topics this year. Some suggestions were made relative to publicity of upcoming programs and ways of finding interesting subject matter. Rick will pass this information along to Marc Mutty. The last topic Rick touched upon was the upcoming District Sea Dogs game on August 10. The club's goal is to sell 100 tickets as part of a District-wide goal of selling 4000 tickets. Once again, Rick thanked everyone for all their help this year and he looks forward to serving under President Jeff.

Upcoming Club Events

- -June 21 Family Fun Day
- -June 25 Changeover Night
- -July 2 No Meeting
- -July 3 PSO Concert, 6:00pm, Ft. Williams
- -July 8 Soup Kitchen

June 25 Song

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June 25, 2003

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That I should clarify last week's column as it applies to the interruption of perfect attendance. Say, for instance, **if your perfect attendance is four years and you go on leave of absence in your 5th year, your perfect attendance for your fifth year starts as new when you come off leave**. You don't start new at year one.

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift assortment donated by Dan Mooers, was won by Dick Yerxa.

Family Fun Day Wrap Up - Ed Ingraham reports that Family Fun Day was a tremendous success with the club having to go out and get more dough throughout the day. Ed is still totaling expenses and receipts and will have a final report at our next meeting.

<u>Cartridge Recycling Program</u> - Jeff Gabrielson is looking for someone in the club to head up our cartridge recycling fund raising program. Please see him if you have an interest.

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<u>New Member Open House</u> - It will be announced that Mike McGovern will be hosting an open house for new and prospective members on Tuesday, July 15. If you have anyone in mind, this is a great opportunity to introduce them to Rotary.

PSO Concert - On Thursday, July 3 from 4:00pm to close, we will be working the PSO concert at Fort Williams. Peter Cotter has created two shifts for sign up - 4-7pm and 7pm to close. Peter could use a few more volunteers on the 4-7pm shift. Please contact him if you can help out.

Soup Kitchen - Because we don't have a meeting on July 2, there will be no opportunity to sign up for our July 8 Soup Kitchen obligation. Just a reminder, that we are serving at the Chestnut Street Church while the Preble Street location is being renovated. Serving time, as always, is 6:00pm.

Program - Tonight was our annual Changeover meeting at the Inn By The Sea. Rick Dobson began the meeting by thanking the club for its support and singled out Dan Davidson as the Publicity Chair and the Sergeant-At-Arms Phil Dube and Warren Simpson for their tremendous contributions to the club. Rick then thanked his Board and presented them with tokens of esteem for their faithful service. He then turned the meeting over to our new President, Jeff Gabrielson. Jeff began by speaking of the new Rotary theme, <u>Lend A Hand</u> and urged everyone in the club to contribute their own unique talents to the club's success. Jeff's main focus next year is to have F.U.N. The "F" stands for fellowship and he has several fellowship events already planned for the year. The "U" stands for understanding. Jeff pledged to focus on Rotary information. The "N" stands for nurturing. He encouraged all members to participate in club activities such as the Soup Kitchen and Vocational luncheon as well as other events as they come up. Thank you Past President Rick for your successful year - and welcome President Jeff as we all try to "lend a hand" in your success.

Upcoming Club Events

- -July 2 No Meeting
- -July 3 PSO Concert, 6:00pm, Ft. Williams
- -July 8 Soup Kitchen
- -July 9 Regular Meeting
- -July 15 New Member Open House
- -July 16 Regular Meeting
- -August 10 "Take A Swing At Homelessness"

Sea Dogs Game

-August 20 - Lobster Bake

<u>July 2</u> No meeting

<u>July 9</u> Song

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<u>July 16</u> Song

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