

April 5, 2006

From The Secretary's Corner-Did You Know?

That the **ANNUAL DARWIN AWARDS** continue with a **5-Star Stupidity Award Winner!**

10) When a man attempted to siphon gasoline from a motor home parked on a Seattle street, he got much more than he bargained for. Police arrived at the scene to find a very sick man curled up next to a motor home near spilled sewage. A police spokesman said that the man admitted to trying to steal gasoline and plugged his siphon hose into the motor home's sewage tank by mistake. The owner of the vehicle decided to press charges, saying that it was the best laugh he'd ever had.

Raffle Prize - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Red's donated by Fawn Dunfey, was won by David Lourie.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were donated tonight by Dan Davidson, Thurston Holt, Tom Meyers, Bill Daviero, Jack Kennealy, Jack Roberts, Adrienne Murphy, Bob Danielson, Tony Wagner, David Lourie, Dick Yerxa, John LoBosco, Paul McKenney, Bob Carson, Frank Butterworth, Kathy Ray, Anne Swift-Kayatta, Mike McGovern, John Eliassen, Paul Butler and Peter Cotter.

Soup Kitchen - Tuesday, April 11 is our next Soup Kitchen obligation. Dessert is brownies, no nuts.

Happy Retirement, Bea! - Next week, our long-time server Bea will be retiring. The club has decided to put an envelope out next to the badges where we are soliciting contributions to give her a retirement gift if you'd like to show your appreciation.

Rebuilding Together - Saturday, April 29 - We meet, on time please, at 7:00am at the Embassy Suites at the Portland Jetport. Plan on a full day. They will give us a continental breakfast there, assign our project, give us maps to the site and send us on our way. They will also provide lunch on the site. Bring work gloves, safety glasses (if you have them, any tools you'd like to have with you and, for sure, regardless of the weather report, bring rain gear! Two of our four years so far we've had drizzly weather. For more information, or to sign up, call Dan Davidson at 767-4682.

District Assembly - This year's Assembly will be on Wednesday, April 19 at York County Community College from 8:00am to 12:30pm. The Assembly is one of the best opportunities to learn more about Rotary. All new members and incoming officers are strongly encouraged to attend. If you'd like to sign up, please see Peter Cotter.

Rotary Club Fund-Raiser - The Rotary Club of Brunswick will be hosting a performance of the group, The Capitol Steps at the Merrill Auditorium on April 15. Ticket prices are \$30/\$35 and can be obtained by calling 842-0800.

New Member - Tonight we welcomed our newest member, Jim Hewes. Jim is a lawyer who lives in Cape Elizabeth with his wife and three children. Welcome to the club, Jim!

Paul Harris Fellow - We honored our long-time server, Beatrice Foster, with our 104th Paul Harris Fellow tonight, thanking her for all the wonderful years of service she's given our club.

Help Wanted - Frank Butterworth is looking for volunteers to run the video camera for the club and for a Rotary representative for the Family Fun Day committee.

Program - Tonight's program was a Club Assembly. President Peter announced that we have already fulfilled our goals for the Presidential Citation and are strong contenders for this year's Governor's Trophy. Dave Bagdasarian said that this year's Road Race is tentatively scheduled for August 20. Community Service reports that checks for the Little League and various literacy groups will be handed out at our next meeting. A request was made that a new member orientation be held. Tony Wagner reports that Family Fun Day and the PSO Concert are coming up. Our club is gearing up for a very busy summer.

Upcoming Events

- April 11 - Soup Kitchen
- April 12 - Rick Lawrence, ME State District Court Judge (John LoBosco, Program Chair)
- April 19 - District Assembly at YCCC
- April 29 - Rebuilding Together

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ASSIGNMENTS

April 12

Song Schmidt
Invocation Goodglass
Raffle Gift Eliassen
Conductor Danielson

April 19

Song Simpson
Invocation Goodrich
Raffle Gift Frustaci
Conductor Russell

April 26

Song Swift-Kayatta
Invocation Hawes
Raffle Gift Gacetta
Conductor Daviero

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