

April 2, 2008

Secretary's Corner - Many years ago in England, pub frequenters had a whistle baked into the rim, or handle, of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they used the whistle to get some service. 'Wet your whistle' is the phrase inspired by this practice.

Raffle Prize - Tonight's raffle prize, a digital photo keychain donated by Dan Davidson, was won by Bob Carson.

Happy Dollars - Dollars were given tonight by Paul McKenney, Anne Swift-Kayatta, Adrienne Murphy, Jim Russell, Steve Wilcox, Joe Conroy, Eleanor Brainin, David Lourie, Frank Butterworth, Dave Bagdasarian, Thurston Holt, Jack Roberts, Dick Yerxa, Phil Dube, Bob Carson, Tony Wagner, Janet McLaughlin and Warren Simpson.

International Food Festival - Tony Wagner filled in tonight for Kathy Cotter. He urged members of the club to sign up to work at the event. We're looking for approximately 20 people. So far, 110 tickets have been sold. This is the final week to get your ad published. Auction items will be accepted right up to the day of the event - more are needed. Also, Kathy has posters available for you to take.

Rebuilding Together - We now know the home we will be working on - 22 Ellsmere Road, SP (around the corner from Pratt Abbott on Shore Road). Peter Cotter has inspected the sight, and we will have a lot of work to do. Just to remind you, the event will begin at 8:00 am on Saturday, May 3. If you have any questions, please contact Dan Davidson.

GSE Team - Due to a scheduling change, we no longer need host families. The GSE team will visit us on the night of April 23 and at the Food Festival on the 26th.

Interact Raffle - Next week, students from the new CE Interact Club will be at our meeting selling raffle tickets for a 50/50 drawing. Marge Barker urged members to buy 1 or 2 if they can to support the new club.

District Assembly - Janet McLaughlin announced that this year's Assembly is at York County Community College on April 23. All incoming directors are strongly encouraged to attend. Janet wanted everyone to know, though, that the club will pay for anyone that wishes to attend. It's a great way to learn more about Rotary.

Soup Kitchen - Next Tuesday is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. The dessert is brownies, no nuts. Joe Conroy also announced that so far the potluck suppers have raised \$320 to help the SP Food Pantry. Janet reminded everyone that this is a great way to meet your fellow Rotarians as well as supporting a good cause.

Wheelchairs For The World - David Lourie announced that on May 17 we will be collecting at the SP Armory. In addition, we will be picking up by appointment any wheelchairs that people wish to donate.

Program - Tonight Bob Flynn introduced the club to our new website. Some of the things you'll be able to do on the new site are checking upcoming events, signing up to work on projects and sending messages or bulletins to the membership. The new format is very intuitive and should allow members a great way to keep up with what's going on in the club. Bob was not able to go through all of the features at tonight's meeting, so we'll have a refresher course at a future date so members can ask any questions they might have about the site. Once again, the site is www.sp-ce-rotary.org. Thank you, Bob, for all your hard work on this project.

Upcoming Events

- April 8 - Soup Kitchen
- April 9 - Club Assembly
- April 16 - Keith Weatherbie (W.Goodrich, P.C.)
- April 23 - District Assembly
- April 26 - International Food Festival
- May 2-4 - District Conference
- May 3 - Rebuilding Together

ASSIGNMENTS

April 9

Song	Yerxa
Invocation	Frustaci
Raffle Gift	Danielson
Conductor	Butterworth

April 16

Song	Bagdasarian
Invocation	Gacetta
Raffle Gift	Davidson
Conductor	Carson

April 23

Song	Barker
Invocation	Gemme
Raffle Gift	Daviero
Conductor	Conroy

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