

October 3, 2007

**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

That the Newsletter via e-mail was started exactly 8 years ago, with the purpose of saving the club postage, and indeed it has. Kathy Ray can send this in both word and PDF, and Kathy can access these weekly bulletins for historical information by doing a simple search. In addition, the roster can be used to send a group e-mail to club members by selecting the whole e-mail column and copying it to the "to" box in a new e-mail. Eleven members receive their newsletter by regular mail.

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a Nonesuch Books gift certificate donated by Adrienne Murphy, was won by Jack Kennealy.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by Frank Butterworth, Joe Conroy, Kathy Ray, Alan Hawkins, David Lourie, Bob Flynn, Marge Barker, Nancy Hawes, Dave Bagdasarian, Adrienne Murphy, Bill Daviero, Tom Meyers, Jack Kennealy, Phil Dube, John LoBosco, Jim Russell, Peter Cotter, Kathy Cotter, Bob Carson, Paul Butler and John Eliassen.

**Road Rally Wrap Up** - Dave Bagdasarian reports that the first annual Road Rally was a success. The net proceeds should be somewhere between \$8,500 and \$9,000 for the Maine Cancer Foundation. Eighteen cars participated, including 4 from our club. The "chick mobile" with Marge Barker, Nancy Hawes and Jean Bugbee finished in first place. The other teams in our club - Thurston and Tony and Bob & Michelle Flynn, Janet McLaughlin and Jim Russell are still trying to figure out all the clues. Dave would like to thank the volunteers - Dan & Edie Davidson, Frank Butterworth, Phil Dube, David Lourie, John LoBosco, Eleanor Brainin, Wayne Goodrich and especially Tom Meyers without whom this event would not have happened.

**Soup Kitchen** - Next Tuesday, October 9 is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. Joe Conroy reported that tonight's sign up with "skimpy." He urged members who have not yet served to give it a try and bring friends and family with them.

**Scrapbook** - Alan Hawkins and Dick Yerxa are looking for materials to put in a scrapbook, highlighting the history of our club. Please contact them if you have old photographs or any other club memorabilia.

**Foundation Minute** - Frank Butterworth highlighted one of the oldest programs in the Foundation - the Ambassadorial Scholarship. This is the largest non-governmental scholarship fund in the country. So far in the history of the program, over 37,000 people have participated.

**Program** - Tonight's speakers, Charlie Haskell and Nancy Thompson, represented the Center for Grieving Children. Charlie spoke about the Capital Campaign, allowing the Center to move to their first permanent location on Forest Avenue, as well as some of the statistics in terms of over 100 volunteers and over 1,000 people going through the Center every year. Nancy spoke on a more personal level, relating how wonderful the Center was in her time of need with the death of her son, Timmy. Thank you to Frank Butterworth for inviting Charlie and Nancy to speak to us tonight.

**Upcoming Events**

- October 9 - Soup Kitchen
- October 10 - Club Assembly
- October 17 - Susan Dana, Safe Passage (Frank Butterworth, Program Chair)
- October 24 - Katie Rutherford, Dollars for Change (Marge Barker, Program Chair)
- October 31 - No Meeting

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**October 10**

Song Holt  
Invocation Simpson  
Raffle Gift Mutty  
Conductor LoBosco

**October 17**

Song Kennealy  
Invocation Swift-Kayatta  
Raffle Gift Packer  
Conductor Lourie

**October 24**

Song Knight  
Invocation Wilcox  
Raffle Gift Ray  
Conductor Maher

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**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a Pizzeria Uno gift certificate donated by Marc Mutty, was won by Jim Russell.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by Warren Simpson, Phil Dube, Wayne Goodrich, Tony Wagner, Dick Yerxa, Joe Conroy, Rick Dobson, Frank Butterworth, Paul Butler, Janet McLaughlin, Thurston Holt, Jim Russell, David Lourie, John LoBosco, Adrienne Murphy, John Eliassen and Kathy Cotter.

**Soup Kitchen Wrap Up** - Joe Conroy would like to thank the following people for their participation at last night's Soup Kitchen: Steve Wilcox, Dan & Edie Davidson, Kathy Cotter, Thurston Holt, Dave Bagdasarian, Wayne Schaab, Paul Butler, Anne Swift-Kayatta, Marge Barker, Jim Brosseau and John, Sue & Emily LoBosco with friends Jane, Natalie, Helen, Eva and Carol.

**Scrapbook** - Alan Hawkins and Dick Yerxa are looking for materials to put in a scrapbook, highlighting the history of our club. Please contact them if you have old photographs or any other club memorabilia.

**New Member** - Tonight we welcomed back old member, now our newest member, Paul McKenney. Glad to have you back, Paul.

**New Member Proposal** - See Secretary's Corner.

**Work Detail** - On Saturday, October 20, Janet McLaughlin is leading a work detail at the fire barn to bring out the tree racks and spruce them up, making sure the trailer is ready to go. We'll get started around 9:00 am and hope to be done by noon. Please bring a hammer and any other tools you might think are appropriate.

**Foundation Seminar** - On November 10, the District Foundation Seminar will be held at a site to be determined from 7:30-11:30 am. More details will follow.

**Foundation Minute** - Tonight's minute highlighted the new web site, which is very helpful for finding out all things about the Foundation.

**Program** - Tonight's program was a Club Assembly. Tony Wagner began by highlighting donations the club has made - \$500 to Special Olympics and \$250 to fund a partial shelter box. Tony was also asked to pass along the following: during recent speakers, some of the members have complained about the decorum and side conversations going on at the tables while the speaker is at the podium. John LoBosco spent a lot of time talking about membership, went through a list of people who have been asked to be potential members and asked if anyone has any suggestions on membership. Janet McLaughlin updated the club on her efforts to support the orphanage in Kenya. President Tony asked if there is anyone computer literate who can help J.D. and Jack with Club Runner. Lastly, Phil Dube is looking for members to help out with the Sergeant-At-Arms.

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- October 24 - Katie Rutherford, Dollars for Change (Marge Barker, Program Chair)
- October 31 - No Meeting

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**October 17**

Song	Kennealy
Invocation	Swift-Kayatta
Raffle Gift	Packer
Conductor	Lourie

**October 24**

Song	Knight
Invocation	Wilcox
Raffle Gift	Ray
Conductor	Maher

**November 6**

Song	Linehan
Invocation	Yerxa
Raffle Gift	Roberts
Conductor	McKenney

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October 17, 2007

**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

That the District Chair of the Group Study Exchange (GSE) is still looking for applications for Team Members to this year's GSE to the Philippines. Team Members must be non-Rotarians, age 20-40 years and in a profession. Each team will have between 4-6 members. Governor Liz suggested that contacting school departments or hospitals might be a great lead, as there is likely to be a high interest in these organizations in a professional exchange program. We have a contact with a School Superintendent. Does anyone have a contact with a Hospital Director or similar professional?

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a Good Table gift certificate donated by Bob Packer, was won by Kathy Cotter.

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**Foundation Seminar** - On November 10, the District Foundation Seminar will be held at York County Community College from 7:30-11:30 am. Please see Tony Wagner to sign up.

**Paul Harris Fellow** - Tonight the club awarded a Paul Harris Fellow to Vickie Russell, in recognition of her tireless efforts for the past 9 years on preparing the weekly newsletter. She was very surprised and appreciative.

**Editor's Wife's Note** - My sincere thanks to each of you for the wonderful gift of a Paul Harris Fellow. Jim will tell you it is hard to surprise me, but you did it. I appreciate your recognition and kind words.

**Program** - Tonight's program was a presentation by Sue Dana with CEHS students Ben Berman, Liz Briggs, Emily Hollyday and Jack Queeny on their trip to Guatemala City to work with the folks from Safe Passage. Safe Passage is a program whose goal is to get children working at the Guatemala City dump out of that environment and into a climate where they can break the cycle of poverty. The students were exposed to a part of the world that they probably had no idea existed and it has changed their lives for the better. Thank you to Frank Butterworth for inviting Sue and her students tonight for a very moving program.

**Upcoming Events**

- October 24 - Katie Rutherford, Dollars for Change (Marge Barker, Program Chair)
- October 31 - No Meeting
- November 7 - Jay Michael Taylor, Dermatologist (Paul Butler, Program Chair)

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**October 24**

Song	Knight
Invocation	Wilcox
Raffle Gift	Ray
Conductor	Maher

**November 7**

Song	Linehan
Invocation	Yerxa
Raffle Gift	Roberts
Conductor	McKenney

**November 14**

Song	LoBosco
Invocation	Bagdasarian
Raffle Gift	Russell
Conductor	McLaughlin

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October 24, 2007

**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

That two Mexican detectives were investigating the murder of Juan Gonzalez. "How was he killed?" asked one detective. "With a golf gun," the other detective replied. "A golf gun? What is a golf gun?" "I don't know, but it sure made a hole in Juan."

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a Nonesuch Books gift card donated by Kathy Ray, was won by Kathy Cotter. (Hmmm, 2nd week in a row, Kathy!)

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars are too much to mention due to the Red Sox and the undefeated CE football team, captained by Adam Danielson. Warren Simpson gets a special mention for the Colorado Rockies tie he was sporting tonight. His daughter dug it out of mothballs (he had forgotten about it) and Warren said he was putting it back into the mothballs and cheering for the Red Sox.

**Scrapbook** - Alan Hawkins and Dick Yerxa are looking for materials to put in a scrapbook, highlighting the history of our club. Please contact them if you have old photographs or any other club memorabilia.

**Work Detail Wrap Up** - Last week's work detail brought out 7 energetic club members: Mike "The Sweeper" McGovern, Thurston "The Gatekeeper" Holt, Bob "I'm keeping my mouth shut" Flynn, John "The Swap Shop Runner" LoBosco, Tom "Backer Upper Extraordinaire" Meyers, Jim "Get me away from this grease" Russell and Janet "The List Checker" McLaughlin. Thanks, too, to local businessman, Raymond Taylor, for the steam cleaning work on the food trailer and to Kathy & Peter Cotter for scheduling him to do this.

**International Food Festival** - At next week's Daybreak meeting at the McKernan Center, the Rotary clubs will be presenting a check for \$9,000 to SMCC. This is the proceeds from this year's Food Festival. Members are encouraged to attend.

**Foundation Seminar** - On November 10, the District Foundation Seminar will be held at York County Community College from 7:30-11:30 am. Please see Tony Wagner to sign up.

**Membership Memo** - John LoBosco is publishing a series of tips on membership. Here is the first. "Do you feel like you don't get to see your friends as often as you should? Why not invite them to a Rotary meeting and maybe they will become members, which will give you time to spend together while you have dinner."

**Program** - Tonight's speaker was Katie Rutherford, hosted by Marge Barker who worked with Katie at TD Banknorth. Katie took a leave of absence to do volunteer work in South Africa as a teacher in a township called Kurland. This area has a population of 4,500, unemployment rate of 43% and 35% of the population is affected by AIDS/HIV. The student body numbered 690 with only one staff member to cover classes. She was so moved by the poverty of these people that she founded "Dollars for Change," the premise of which is to encourage those from wealthy nations to donate small amounts of money. Katie is returning to Africa to continue her efforts, which no doubt will be successful. FMI, go to [www.dollarsforchange.org](http://www.dollarsforchange.org). Thanks to Marge for such a great program.

**Upcoming Events**

- October 31 - No Meeting
- November 7 - Jay Michael Taylor, Dermatologist (Paul Butler, Program Chair)
- November 14 - (Kathy Cotter, Program Chair)
- November 17 - Tree Lot Set Up
- November 21 - No Meeting
- December 19 - Seniors Party

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**November 7**

Song	Linehan
Invocation	Yerxa
Raffle Gift	Roberts
Conductor	McKenney

**November 14**

Song	LoBosco
Invocation	Bagdasarian
Raffle Gift	Russell
Conductor	McLaughlin

**November 28**

Song	Lourie
Invocation	Barker
Raffle Gift	Schaab
Conductor	Meyers

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November 7, 2007

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That the subject of the next few weeks is **RED SOX FANS....**On the first day of school, a first grade teacher explains to her class that she is a Yankees fan. She asks her students to raise their hands if they, too, are Yankees fans. Waiting to impress their teacher, everyone in the class raises their hand except one little girl. The teacher looks at the girl with surprise, "Janie, why didn't you raise your hand?" "Because I'm not a Yankees fan," she replied. The teacher, still shocked, asked, "Well, if you are not a Yankees fan, then who are you a fan of." "I am a Red Sox fan, and proud of it," Janie replied.

The teacher could not believe her ears. "Janie, why pray tell are you a Red Sox fan?" Because my mom is a Red Sox fan, and my dad is a Red Sox fan, so I'm a Red Sox fan, too!" "Well," said the teacher in an obviously annoyed tone, "that is no reason for you to be a Red Sox fan. You don't have to be just like your parents all of the time. What if your mom was an idiot and your dad was a moron, what would you be then?" "Then," Janie smiled, "I'd be a Yankees fan"

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Uno Restaurant donated by Jack Roberts, was won by Wayne Goodrich.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by Bob Danielson, Mariann Goff, Bill Daviero, Tom Meyers, Phil Dube, Dan Davidson, Nancy Hawes, Marge Barker, Jack Roberts, Eleanor Brainin, Frank Butterworth, Thurston Holt, Jean Bugbee, Elias Thomas, Anne Swift-Kayatta, John LoBosco, Wayne Goodrich, Jack Kennealy, Keith Wells, Joan Frustaci, David Lourie, Tony Wagner, Paul Butler and Janet McLaughlin.

**Soup Kitchen** - Next Tuesday, November 13 is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. The dessert is brownies, no nuts.

**Membership Memo** - John LoBosco says just keep those good membership proposals coming.

**Tree Lot Sign Up/Set Up** - Bill Daviero is in charge of this year's sign up schedule. Please get in touch with him, or go online, to sign up for your 4 3-hour shifts. The lot set up is scheduled for Saturday, November 17 at 8:00 am at the Fire Barn; 8:30 am at Millcreek.

**Scrapbook** - Alan Hawkins and Dick Yerxa are looking for materials to put in a scrapbook, highlighting the history of our club.

**Help Wanted** - The Interact/Rotaract clubs in our area (i.e. SP, CE and SMCC) are in various stages of development. Help is needed to work with members of these clubs. Please contact Tony Wagner if you are interested.

**Foundation Minute** - One of the goals of the Foundation is to have every member become a Sustaining Member, which means to give \$100 per year. In order to help with this, two members of the club have agreed to match any \$50 donation from now until the end of the month. Please contact Frank Butterworth if you are interested.

**Program** - Tonight's speaker was Sherwali Wardak, Director of the Agriculture & Health Development Organization (AHDO). Sherwali gave the club a brief history of the Qarabagh district girls' school and community center. This school for girls age 7-13 is comprised of some 15 villages in Afghanistan. The school was made possible by the Falmouth Rotary Club, which raised \$88,000 over 3 years, under the leadership of Anne Payson. Thank you to Thurston Holt for having Sherwali and Anne speak to us tonight about this very exciting project.

**Upcoming Events**

- November 14 - Debra Andrews, Center of Global Opportunities (Kathy Cotter, Program Chair)
- November 17 - Tree Lot Set Up
- November 21 - No Meeting
- December 19 - Seniors Party

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**November 14**

Song	LoBosco
Invocation	Bagdasarian
Raffle Gift	Russell
Conductor	McLaughlin

**November 28**

Song	Lourie
Invocation	Barker
Raffle Gift	Schaab
Conductor	Meyers

**December 5**

Song	Maher
Invocation	Brainin
Raffle Gift	Schmidt
Conductor	Mooers

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**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

That the subject of the next few weeks is **RED SOX FANS....Take One For The Team.** Four baseball fans - a Cubs fan, a Cardinals fan, a Red Sox fan and a Yankees fan - are climbing a mountain and arguing about who loves his team more. The Cubs fan insists he is the most loyal. "This is for the Cubs!" he yells and jumps off the side of the mountain. Not to be outdone, the Cardinals fan shouts, "This is for the Cardinals!" and throws himself off the mountain. The Red Sox fan is next to profess his love for his team. He yells, "This is for everyone!" and pushes the Yankees fan off the mountain.

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Uno Restaurant donated by Jim Russell, was won by Kathy Cotter.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by John Eliassen, Adrienne Murphy, Paul McKenney, Bill Daviero, Frank Butterworth, Eleanor Brainin, Peter Cotter, Tom Meyers, Jack Kennealy, David Lourie, John LoBosco, Jack Roberts, Dan Davidson and Kathy Cotter.

**Soup Kitchen Wrap Up** - Dave Bagdasarian, reporting for Joe Conroy, thanked the members of the club who served approximately 250 meals at last night's Soup Kitchen. Our next opportunity to serve is Tuesday, December 11.

**Membership Memo** - Membership growth increases Rotary's capacity for service.

**Scrapbook** - Alan Hawkins and Dick Yerxa are looking for materials to put in a scrapbook, highlighting the history of our club.

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breakfast at 6:30 am prior to the unloading. Janet McLaughlin is looking for a coordinator to work with Bill Daviero to remind each member of the shift they signed up for.

**Foundation Minute** - Frank Butterworth reminded everyone about the \$50 match to become as Sustaining Member from now until the end of the month. He also gave an example of leveraging the funds available to the Foundation, as well as a concrete example of what the \$50 could do - pay for one cataract surgery.

**Program** - Kathy Cotter introduced Debbie Andrews from SMCC, who in turn introduced three students from Rwanda, Morocco and Vietnam. Two of them are International Food Festival scholarship recipients who shared their stories of coming to America and how much the opportunity has meant to them. Thank you to Kathy for giving us some concrete examples of what our efforts with the Food Festival have led to.

**Upcoming Events**

- November 17 - Tree Lot Set Up
- November 21 - No Meeting
- November 23 - First Tree Unloading
- November 28 -Pat Murtagh, Volunteers of America
- December 5 - Paula Banks, Elder Care Consultant
- December 12 - Club Assembly
- December 19 - Seniors Party

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**November 28**

Song	Lourie
Invocation	Barker
Raffle Gift	Schaab
Conductor	Meyers

**December 5**

Song	Maher
Invocation	Brainin
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Conductor	Mooers

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That the subject of the next few weeks is **RED SOX FANS....Happy Birthday to Me!** A family of NY Yankee fans headed out one Saturday to shop for the youngest boy's birthday. While in the sports shop, the son picks up a Red Sox jersey and says to his older sister, "I've decided to become a Red Sox fan and I would like this Boston Red Sox jersey for my birthday. His big sister is outraged by this and promptly whacks him upside his head and says, "Go talk to mother." The reaction from his mother and ultimately his father were both the same. About half an hour later, they're all back in the car heading towards home. The father turns to his son and says, "Son, I hope you've learned something today." The son said, "Yes, Dad, I have." "Good, and what is it you learned?" The son replies, "I've only been a Red Sox fan for an hour and I already hate you Yankee bas-----!"

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Willows Restaurant donated by Wayne Schaab, was won by Frank Butterworth.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by Bill Daviero, John Eliassen, Jean Bugbee, Adrienne Murphy, Anne Swift-Kayatta, Jack Kennealy, Wayne Goodrich, Rick Dobson, Frank Gemme, Paul McKenney, John LoBosco, Dan Gacetta, Wayne Schaab, David Lourie, Bob Flynn, Janet McLaughlin, Jim Russell, Bob Carson, Thurston Holt and Frank Butterworth.

**Membership Memo** - New Rotarians bring fresh ideas, new interests and increased energy to clubs.

**New Member Proposal** - Tony Wagner has proposed George Risch for membership. George works for Franklin Fueling Subsystems/Incon and his classification is "Instrumentation/Sensors."

**Food Festival** - The committee is starting to meet again to plan for next year's event at SMCC. If you'd like to be involved, please contact John Eliassen or Kathy Cotter.

**Tree Lot Sign Up/Set Up** - Bill Daviero is in charge of this year's sign up schedule. If you have not signed up for your four shifts, **you need to contact him immediately.** The second unloading is Saturday, December 1 at 7:30 am and the third unloading is Saturday, December 8 at 7:30 am. Bill sends out updates via the Internet as the schedule is constantly changing. Please pay attention. One

final note - if you need to make a change to your schedule, do not put it on the trailer copy as that is not the official schedule. You need to contact Bill or send him an email.

**Foundation Minute** - Frank Butterworth announced tonight that the Gates Foundation has awarded to Rotary Foundation a \$100 million challenge grant to help with the eradication of polio. This is a 3-year matching grant and I'm sure more information will be forthcoming. In addition, Frank awarded Past President, John Eliassen with a multiple Paul Harris Fellow pin, recognizing his significant contribution to the Foundation. Congratulations, John!

**Program** - Tonight's speaker was Pat Murtagh from Volunteers of America (VOA). VOA was founded in 1896 and is a nationwide non-profit with 38 affiliates. The local affiliate, which covers Maine, NH and Vermont, is involved in several efforts, such as affordable housing, mental health services and prison reform. The program that Pat highlighted tonight was Camp Postcard, which stands for Police Officers Strive To Create And Reinforce Dreams. This 1-week camp, outside Augusta, takes 150 at-risk 5th and 6th graders and shows them that the police officers, who are their counselors, are really the good guys. Thank you to Adrienne for inviting Pat to speak to us tonight.

**Upcoming Events**

- December 5 - Paula Banks, Elder Care Consultant
- December 12 - Club Assembly
- December 19 - Seniors Party
- December 26 - No Meeting

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**December 5**

Song	Maher
Invocation	Brainin
Raffle Gift	Schmidt
Conductor	Mooers

**December 12**

Song	McKenney
Invocation	Bugbee
Raffle Gift	Simpson
Conductor	Murphy

**December 19**

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Invocation	Rick Dobson
Raffle Gift	Rick Dobson
Conductor	Rick Dobson

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December 5, 2007

**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

This concludes the series on **RED SOX FANS...Malevolent Priest**. A Red Sox fan liked to amuse himself by scaring every Yankees fan he saw strutting down the street in an obnoxious NY pinstripe shirt. He would swerve his van as if to hit them, then swerve back just missing them. One day while driving along, he saw a priest. He thought he would do a good deed, so he pulled over and asked the priest, "Where are you going, Father?" "I'm going to say Mass at St. Francis Church, about two miles down the road," replied the priest. "Climb in, Father, I'll give you a lift". The priest climbed into the passenger seat and they continued down the road. Suddenly, the driver saw a Yankees fan walking down the road, and he instinctively swerved as if to hit him. But, as usual, he swerved back onto the road just in time. Even though he was certain that he had missed the guy, he still heard a loud THUD. Not knowing where the noise came from, he glanced in his mirrors, but didn't see anything. He then remembered the priest, and he turned to him and said, "Sorry Father, I almost hit that Yankees fan." "That's OK," replied the priest, "I got him with the door."

**Raffle Prize:** Tonight's raffle prize, two gift certificates to Fresh! donated by Laurenz Schmidt, were won by Steve Wilcox and our guest speaker.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by Steve Wilcox, John LoBosco, David Lourie, Jim Russell, Jack Roberts, Eleanor Brainin, Jean Bugbee, Dan Mooers, Frank Butterworth, Joan Frustaci, Paul McKenney, Adrienne Murphy, Tom Meyers, Nancy Hawes, Keith Wells, Frank Gemme, Bob Carson, Warren Simpson, Tony Wagner, Peter Cotter, Janet McLaughlin, Wayne Goodrich, Rick Dobson, Marc Mutty, Wayne Schaab, Bob Danielson and Bill Daviero.

**Membership Memo** - John LoBosco reminds members working at the tree lot about the "What Is Rotary" pamphlets that you can hand out.

**Soup Kitchen** - Next Tuesday is our monthly Soup Kitchen obligation. The dessert is cupcakes, not nuts. Help is needed.

**New Member Proposals** - Tony Wagner has proposed George Risch for membership. George works for Franklin Fueling Subsystems/Incon and his classification is Instrumentation/Sensors. Nancy Hawes has proposed Tak Suppasetawat, an Investment Advisor at Merrill Lynch. Tak has an interest in the international activities of Rotary and

his classification is Investments. Jack Roberts has proposed Michael Vallancourt, an attorney with Ainsworth & Thellin, whose classification is Law-Litigation.

**Tree Lot Sign Up/Set Up** - This is now crunch time for the tree sale. This weekend and next will be extremely busy. Even if you've done all your shifts, if you can give an extra hour or two, it would be appreciated. Please pay attention, as Jeff Hobbs will be chairing the takedown, most likely on the 22nd or 23rd.

**Seniors Party** - In two weeks, we will be holding our annual Seniors Party. Rick Dobson is chairing the event and is looking for 8-10 drivers. Please contact him if you can help.

**Perfect Attendance** - Tonight we presented perfect attendance pins to Paul Butler (30 yrs) and Warren Simpson (46 yrs).

**Program** - Tonight's speaker was Paula Banks, Principal of Paula Banks Consulting, LLC. She is a professional geriatric care manager, providing a social support structure and help with practical matters for the elderly. Thank you to Adrienne Murphy for inviting Paula to speak to us tonight.

**Upcoming Events**

- December 11 - Soup Kitchen
- December 12 - Club Assembly
- December 19 - Seniors Party
- December 26 - No Meeting

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**December 12**

Song	McKenney
Invocation	Bugbee
Raffle Gift	Simpson
Conductor	Murphy

**December 19**

Song	Rick Dobson
Invocation	Rick Dobson
Raffle Gift	Rick Dobson
Conductor	Rick Dobson

**January 2**

Song	McLaughlin
Invocation	Butterworth
Raffle Gift	Swift-Kayatta
Conductor	Mutty

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**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

That the discretionary fund in the External Budget does help some people. I received a "Thanks for your help. It meant a lot." card which said, "I was finally able to get an oil change, work pants and some food." (Sheila and Dan B., Saco)

**Raffle Prize** - Tonight's raffle prize, a Shoppers Hardware gift certificate donated by Warren Simpson, was won by John Linehan.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were donated tonight by Janet McLaughlin, Adrienne Murphy, Joan Frustaci, Dan Mooers, Mike McGovern, John Linehan, Eleanor Brainin, David Lourie, Tony Wagner, Bob Carson, Phil Dube, Bill Daviero, Dave Bagdasarian, Dan Davidson and Frank Gemme.

**Membership Memo** - More members increase the volume of support for the Rotary Foundation.

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**Soup Kitchen Wrap Up** - Joe Conroy would like to thank Steve Wilcox, Thurston Holt, Dan & Edie Davidson, Dave Bagdasarian, John, Sue & Emily LoBosco and friend Sophie, Jim Russell, Tom Meyers and Paul Butler who served at last night's Soup Kitchen. Our next opportunity to serve is Tuesday, January 8.

**Get Well, Jack** - Jack Roberts underwent successful back surgery this weekend. I'm sure he would appreciate a card or note. More info to follow.

**Tree Lot Sign Up** - Bill Daviero is looking for volunteers for various tree lot shifts this week. Please contact him ASAP if you can help out. The take down is scheduled for Saturday, December 22 at 8:00 am. Contact Jeff Hobbs for more info.

**Seniors Party** - Next week, we will be holding our annual Seniors Party. Rick Dobson is chairing the event and is looking for 8-10 drivers as well as people to donate gift certificates to various food establishments. Please contact him if you can help.

**Program** - Tonight was a Club Assembly. At the Board meeting, the following items were approved - a \$500 donation to ITN, an additional scholarship to SMCC and a \$400 donation to the Young Adult Room at the SP Library. We have new songbooks now, thanks to Rick Dobson. President Tony reviewed both the membership and Foundation goals and discussed plans for the rest of the year. Janet reported on the Kenyan project - as part of this project, there will be a fundraiser at Pizzeria Uno on January 27. Dan Mooers and Mike McGovern reported on the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation grant of \$100 million for Polio Plus, and the challenge for Rotary to match this amount.

**Editor's Note** - Thank you to Nancy Hawes for taking notes for me at tonight's meeting.

**Upcoming Events**

- December 19 - Seniors Party
- December 26 - No Meeting
- January 2 - Fellowship Night (spouses and others are invited) - no program
- January 8 - Soup Kitchen
- January 9 - John Attwood, Haiti Water Project
- January 16 - Christmas Tree Bash at Janet McLaughlin's house

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**December 19**

Song	Rick Dobson
Invocation	Rick Dobson
Raffle Gift	Rick Dobson
Conductor	Rick Dobson

**January 2**

Song	McLaughlin
Invocation	Butterworth
Raffle Gift	Swift-Kayatta
Conductor	Mutty

**January 9**

Song	Meyers
Invocation	Carson
Raffle Gift	Wells
Conductor	Ray

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**December 19, 2007**

**From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know?**

That the excerpts from the following article, dateline Portland ME by the AP, came to me from a copy published in a Virginia newspaper. Christmas isn't as jolly for Canadian tree growers. "The drooping value of the U.S. dollar means Canadian Christmas tree growers are seeing less green this season. Canadian Christmas tree growers have seen their U.S. sales decline in recent years because of increasing costs and competition from U.S. growers. But it's their own currency that's causing them the most grief these days. Compared with the U.S. greenback, the Canadian dollar is 15% higher in value than it was at the beginning of the year. Because growers are paid in U.S. dollars, their revenues are dropping by the same amount.--The Canadian dollar surged to an all-time high of \$1.10 against the greenback in November, a gain of 28% from January 1, before falling back a bit."

**Raffle Prize** - Various members of the club donated approximately two dozen gift certificates, which were raffled off to the seniors tonight. Thank you to everyone for their donations.

**Membership Memo** - Diversity in membership ensures that the club is relevant to the entire community.

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**Get Well, Jack** - Jack Roberts underwent successful back surgery last weekend. He is now recovering at New England Rehab. I'm sure he would appreciate a card or note.

**Tree Lot Sign Up** - Please pay attention to the emails, as the schedule changes daily. If you can help out for an hour or two, it would be appreciated. The lot take down has been rescheduled for Saturday, December 29 at 8:00 am.

**Foundation Minute** - The Board approved a donation of \$500 for a National Immunization Day

in India. The hope is to immunize 111 million children in one day.

**Merry Christmas, Heidi** - Tonight we presented our new server, Heidi Jordan, with a token of our appreciation for all she has done this past year. Thank you, Heidi, for all your hard work.

**Assembly Note Leftovers** - Some of the things not presented but worth mention are following. We have ongoing projects with the website, club calendar and scrapbook. The Wheels for the World is still ongoing. We have community projects including trails, trash compactors, pump house, repairs to the fire barn and roofing on the picnic shelter. John LoBosco would like the club to consider a big local project in the community and Frank Gemme is coordinating all scholarship committees. More info will be in the next bulletin.

**Program** - Tonight was our annual Seniors Party attended by 81 seniors. After a delicious dinner and exciting raffle, they were entertained by The Jubilees, singing a variety of Christmas carols. Thank you to Rick Dobson for organizing this event.

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Raffle Gift	Wilcox
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