

**February 3, 2010**

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

That U.S. Senator Susan Collins will speak to our club on Wednesday, February 17th at the Purpoodock Club. This will be the first visit of a U.S. Senator to our club in over 15 years. Please consider bringing your spouse, family members or prospective members to this very special program. In order to ensure adequate setup, we will have a sign up at the club next week, or you can email Mike McGovern at cetm.maine.rr.com with your plans. The previously scheduled Valentines' Party is being postponed until March 10th - Joanie will welcome us all then!

**Raffle** - Tonight's raffle prize, a car wash gift certificate donated by Phil Dube, was won by John Hewitt.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight Tom Meyers, Dan Mooers, Sybil Riemensnider, Jack Roberts, Dave Lourie, Marc Mutty, Phil Dube, Tak Suppasetawat, Aaron Milberger, Mike McGovern, Ben Wilson, Jack Kennealy, Joan Frustaci and Marge Barker.

**Club Vouchers** - Once again, the club will be reimbursing any member who sees a need in the community for up to \$50. Please see Nancy Hawes to turn in your vouchers for reimbursement.

**International Food Festival** - Now that the tree sale is over, our next big fundraiser is the International Food Festival scheduled for March 27. Tony Wagner has posters for you to put up at your place of business. Marge Barker is looking for ads for the brochure - \$50 for business card size, \$100 for half-page and \$200 for full page. Kathy Cotter is looking to collect silent auction items, including gift certificates you may have received the year before. Currently, we are way behind on auction items, so she is asking for us to make additional efforts to find things. Adrienne Murphy has tickets available. If you take a book of tickets, you are not obligated to sell them all, just do the best you can.

**Box Tops** - The deadline for turning in box tops is February, so please get them to Bob Danielson ASAP.

**Fellowship Night** - The South Portland Breakwater Daybreak Club has invited us to an "ugly sweater night" at Mark Duval's residence on February 27 from 7-10 pm. The event is BYOB, snacks are provided. The cost is \$10 per person and you'll need to RSVP by February 21.

**New Member** - Tonight we inducted our newest member, Ben Wilson. Ben is with the Edward Jones Financial Services Group at the CE office. He was sponsored by Mike McGovern and looks forward to working with us on our various projects. Welcome aboard, Ben.

**Soup Kitchen** - Next Tuesday, February 9 is our monthly Soup Kitchen serving night. With the economy the way it is, Joe Conroy reports that we are seeing more people than usual at the kitchen. So if you can help with set up at 4:00 pm, or serving at 5:30 pm, it would be greatly appreciated. No experience is necessary.

**Program** - Aaron Milberger introduced our speaker tonight, Mike Toso, who described his experiences of working as a Peace Corps volunteer in the African country of Niger. The Peace Corps consists of 7,000 volunteers working in 72 countries around the world. They do all of this on a budget of \$340 million. Mike described how important it was to live with the people in the village and share their experiences, including the food they ate. In the village in which he resided, the daily tea ceremony was an important vehicle for making acquaintances with the influential leaders of the village. By making friendships with these people, he was able to advance projects that helped the village. Mike will be going to Senegal next month on another Peace Corps mission. We wish him all the best and he has promised to stay in touch. Thank you to Aaron for inviting Mike to speak to us tonight.

**Upcoming Events**

- February 9 - Soup Kitchen
- February 10 - Laura Tait, US Probation & Parole (Kathy Cotter, Program Chair)
- February 17 - U.S. Senator Susan Collins (Mike McGovern, Program Chair)
- March 10 - Rescheduled Valentines' Day Party

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**February 10**

Song Wellman  
Invocation Dube  
Raffle Gift York  
Conductor Yerxa

**February 17**

Song Wilcox  
Invocation Dunphy  
Raffle Gift Bagdasarian  
Conductor York

**February 24**

Song Yerxa  
Invocation Eliassen  
Raffle Gift Barker  
Conductor Bagdasarian

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