From The Secretary's Corner - Did You Know? That over the next 6 or 7 weeks, I will try to provide you with some INTERESTING GEOGRAPHY: Alaska - more than half of the coastline of the entire U.S. is in Alaska. Brazil - got its name from the nut, not the other way around. Canada - has more lakes than the rest of the world combined. Canada is an Indian word meaning "Big Village."

<u>Raffle</u> - Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to The Buttered Biscuit donated by Frank Butterworth, was won by Wayne Schaab.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> - Dollars were given tonight by Frank Butterworth, Chuck Redman, David Lourie, Tak Suppasettawat, John Eliassen, Sybil Riemensnider, Bill Daviero, Mike McGovern, Kathy Cotter, Jack Kennealy, Jack Roberts, Bob Danielson, Nancy Hawes, Bill York, Phil Dube, Ellie Speh, Joan Frustaci, Joe Conroy and John LoBosco.

<u>Club Vouchers</u> - 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 - Our next big fundraiser is the International Food Festival scheduled for March 27. Kathy Cotter would like to receive any last minute auction items by next Wednesday, March 24, so she can print up the final brochure. Please drop them off either at her house or with Sue Mooney at South Portland City Hall. Adrienne Murphy would like to know how many tickets you have sold. Please email her with your updated totals. Ellie says that the sign ups are going well for volunteers, but if you haven't signed up you can just show up to work.

Soup Kitchen Wrap Up - After many years, Joe Conroy reports that the Williston West Church group that we have been working with on Tuesdays will no longer be at the Soup Kitchen. We are, therefore, going to need more volunteers every month to help man this responsibility. Please mark your calendars for April 13 as our next day to serve.

<u>District Assembly</u> - On Saturday, April 10 from 8:00 am to 2:30 pm at York County Community College in Wells, the District will be holding its annual Assembly. Not only the incoming Board members, but also any committee chairs, new Rotarians, club webmaster and all other members are strongly encouraged to attend. The club will pick up the cost for any members attending. Let Phil Dube know if you are interested.

<u>Fireside Chat</u> - On Friday, April 2 at 7:00 pm, Bob Danielson will be holding a fireside chat for new and prospective members at his house. Anyone who has joined the club in the past two years is strongly encouraged to attend as you will learn a tremendous amount about Rotary and the programs it offers.

<u>Senior Luncheon</u> - On Saturday, April 24 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm at Events On Broadway, we will again be hosting a Senior Luncheon. Drivers are needed to transport the seniors to and from their homes. Please contact Sybil if you can help.

<u>Foundation Minute</u> - Frank Butterworth reports that so far we have raised over \$8,000 of our \$10,000 annual goal. He reminded everyone to give up your loose change for the cans on the tables and/or make a contribution in the blue bag when you check in.

<u>Program</u> - Due to a scheduling conflict, we did not have a formal program tonight. This provided President Joan with an opportunity to have several committee chairs bring the club up-to-date on a variety of club activities, almost like a mini Club Assembly. In addition, John LoBosco gave us a highly entertaining account of his time at PETS. The time went by quickly thanks to Joe Conroy, and we adjourned at 7:30 pm as usual.

Upcoming Events

- -March 17 Nancy Hawes (Birthday)
- -March 17 Mike McGovern (Birthday)
- -March 18 Paul Butler (Birthday)
- -March 19 Paul & Betsy McKenney (Anniversary)
- -March 23 Marc Mutty (Birthday)
- -March 24 Mark Swan, Preble Street Resource Center (Sybil Riemensnider, Program Chair)
- -March 31 Joe Conroy Classification Talk

ASSIGNMENTS

March 24

Song Butler
Invocation Hewitt
Raffle Gift Conroy
Conductor Cotter

March 31

Song Butterworth
Invocation Jennings
Raffle Gift Cotter
Conductor Danielson

<u>April 7</u>

Song Carson
Invocation Kennealy
Raffle Gift Danielson
Conductor Daviero

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