

March 24, 2010

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

That INTERESTING GEOGRAPHY continues: **Amazon:** The Amazon rain forest produces more than 20% of the world's oxygen supply. The Amazon River pushes so much water into the Atlantic Ocean that more than 100 miles at sea off the mouth of the river; one can dip fresh water out of the ocean. The volume of water in the Amazon River is greater than the next 8 largest rivers in the world combined and 3 times the flow of all rivers in the United States.

**Raffle** - Tonight's raffle prize, a Joe's Boathouse gift certificate donated by Joe Conroy, was won by John LoBosco who donated it to the Food Festival silent auction.

**Happy Dollars** - Dollars were given tonight by Dan Davidson, Ellie Speh, Mike Tranfaglia, David Lourie, Bob Danielson, Dan Mooers, Tom Kinley, Chuck Redman, Bob Carson, Mike Neff, Eric Wellman, Adrienne Murphy, Kathy Cotter, Tom Meyers, Bill York, Joe Conroy and John LoBosco.

**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** - As you all know, this Saturday, March 27 is the food festival. Kathy Cotter reports that over \$7,000 of auction items have been donated. Adrienne Murphy is looking for ticket money. Ellie Speh is looking for volunteers to show up at their assigned times. If you have not signed up to participate, please come on down to enjoy the good food. Tickets will be sold at the door.

**District Assembly** - 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. Please let Phil Dube know ASAP if you are going.

**New Member** - Tonight we inducted our newest member, Mike Neff. Mike is a consumer lender with Bank of America. He and his wife, Katya, live in SP and are looking forward to becoming active members of the community. His hobbies include running, gardening, reading and writing. Welcome aboard, Mike.

**Fireside Chat** - 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.

**Senior Luncheon** - 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.

**Program** - Tonight's speakers were John Bradley, Associate Director and Christine Reef, Volunteer Coordinator of the Preble Street Resource Center, pinch hitting for an injured Mark Swan. John spoke primarily about the Center's food programs. With an increase of about 30% in attendance and a decrease in donations, John said the challenge to connect people with food resources is greater than ever. Christine thanked us for our assistance in the past, stressing that volunteers groups like ours are essential to the soup kitchen's success. With the transition from the Wayside folks to their own staff, John acknowledged there have been some bumps in the road, but they have been striving to correct them ASAP. Thank you to Sybil Riemensnider for inviting John and Christine to speak to us tonight.

**Upcoming Events**

- March 31 - Joe Conroy Classification Talk
- April 2 - Fireside Chat at Bob Danielson's house
- April 7 - Selma Botman, President, USM (Tony Wagner, Program Chair)
- April 10 - District Assembly at YCCC
- April 13 - Soup Kitchen
- April 14 - Paul Bradbury, Portland Jetport Expansion (Phil Dube, Program Chair)
- June 30 - Changeover Night

**ASSIGNMENTS**

**March 31**

Song	Butterworth
Invocation	Jennings
Raffle Gift	Cotter
Conductor	Danielson

**April 7**

Song	Carson
Invocation	Kennealy
Raffle Gift	Danielson
Conductor	Daviero

**April 14**

Song	Conroy
Invocation	Kinley
Raffle Gift	Davidson
Conductor	Dobson

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