

January 5, 2011

Christmas Tree Sale Wrap Up – Another tree sale is behind us. The racks are in the barn. Tony Wagner would like to thank Dave Bagdasarian, Joe Conroy, Bob Flynn, David Lourie, Tom Meyers, Marc Mutty, Jim Russell, Tony's son, Andrew and past member, Paul McKenney, who all pitched in the clean up the lot on December 24. Seventy-three trees were left and we collected \$390 on the honor system on the last day of the sale. Marge thanked the club for all their hard work and reports that we made a net profit of about \$38,000.

Raffle Prize – Tonight's raffle prize, a gift to be announced donated by Ben Wilson, was conveniently won by Ben Wilson.

Happy Dollars – Dollars were given tonight by Marge Barker, Nancy Irving, Kathy Cotter, Dan Mooers, Paul Butler, Joan Frustaci, David Lourie, Tony Wagner, Ben Wilson, Bob Danielson, Tom Kinley, Scott Irving, Dick Yerxa, Caitlin Helstrom, Adrienne Murphy, Frank Butterworth, Anne Swift-Kayatta, Jack Roberts, Nancy Hawes, Joe Conroy, Jack Kennealy and John LoBosco.

Soup Kitchen – Our first Soup Kitchen of the year is scheduled for next Tuesday, January 11. Why not make one of your New Year's resolutions to come down to the Soup Kitchen and help serve a warm meal. Set up is at 4:30 pm and serving at 6:00 pm.

Sea Scouts – Tony Wagner announced that Ben Wilson has agreed to become the club liaison with the Sea Scout troop. Any questions or concerns regarding the Scouts should be addressed to Ben.

Beer & Wine Tasting and Silent Auction – On February 2, we will not be meeting at Purpoodock, but will instead be meeting at DiMillo's to take part in the Casco Bay Club's Beer & Wine Tasting and Silent Auction. This is a fun event with the proceeds going to support the Maine Children's Cancer Program. Please mark your calendars.

Bean Supper – Sybil reports that the SP Food Pantry is having a bean supper on January 14 at St. John's Parish in South Portland. Please contact her for more information.

Next Week's Meeting – Our January 12 meeting will be a potluck supper at the home of John & Sue LoBosco at 21 Fessenden Road, CE. Their home is on the corner of Fessenden & Kettle Cove Roads. Spouses and children are invited. In lieu of a meeting fee, we will be asking for a suggested donation of \$5 per person for the South Portland Food Cupboard. Also, if you have any crutches or other mobility devices, please bring them along and we will see that they get to the Armory. Please bring food and/or drink to share such as an appetizer, salad, entree or dessert. The meeting will begin at 6:00 pm. Hope to see you all there.

Foundation Minute – Just a reminder that our club Foundation goal is \$10,000 this year. If every member of our club became a Sustaining Member, in other words gave \$100 this year, in addition to the club contribution for the tree sale last year, we would nearly hit our goal. The blue bag is on the table when you sign in to help you become a Sustaining Member, just \$2/week.

Magazines Wanted – We are still collecting old Rotarian magazines to distribute to local businesses as a way to raise Rotary awareness. Please make sure that the issues are less than 2 years old and bring them to Tony Wagner at a future meeting.

Program – Tonight's speaker was Katie West, Founder & Director of The Levity Institute. Levity, she said, is something that picks us up, lessens stress and brings us back to our childhood sense of wonder. The benefits of laughter were first discovered in India in the 1990s with the founding of laughter clubs of which there are currently over 7,000. Katie led the group in several laughter and levity exercises that certainly proved to be a lot of fun. Thank you to Dave Bagdasarian for inviting Katie to speak to us tonight.

Upcoming Events

- January 9 – Chuck Redman, Birthday
- January 11 – Soup Kitchen
- January 12 – Potluck Supper at the LoBosco's
- January 19 – Regular Meeting
- February 2 – Casco Bay Beer & Wine Tasting and Silent Auction at DiMillo's

ASSIGNMENTS

January 12

Song	Tranfaglia
Invocation	Dube
Raffle Gift	York
Conductor	Bagdasarian

January 19

Song	Wagner
Invocation	Eliassen
Raffle Gift	Bagdasarian
Conductor	Barker

January 26

Song	Wilson
Invocation	Flynn
Raffle Gift	Barker
Conductor	Butterworth

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