<u>From The Secretary's Corner – Did You Know?</u> That our club will be well represented at this year's World Peace and Understanding Dinner this Friday. Attending for our club will be: Mike McGovern, Nancy Hawes, and Marge Barker.

<u>Raffle</u> – Tonight's raffle prize, a gift certificate to Dick's Sporting Goods, donated by Joe Conroy, was won by Mike McGovern.

<u>Happy Dollars</u> – Dollars were given tonight by Frank Butterworth, Jack Roberts, Joan Frustaci, Adrienne Murphy, John Eliassen, Mike Tranfaglia, Bob Carson, Joe Conroy, Bill York, Sybil Riemensnider, Mike McGovern, Ron Hoppel, Anamaria Gonzalez, Cindy Santos, Nils Noren, Dick Yerxa, David Lourie, Dan Davidson, Jim Rowe, and Marge Barker.

Foundation Minute – Frank Butterworth gave the club an update on our progress of reaching our goal of \$11,000. As of tonight, we have raised \$8265. Bob Carson has pledged to match the first five people who will give \$100 to the Foundation, up to \$500. Frank asked every member to consider giving something to the Foundation, even if it's just \$1. The blue bag for your donation and wall chart, showing our goal, will be updated at every meeting for the rest of the year.

Soup Kitchen Wrap-Up — Last night at our monthly soup kitchen obligation, we served 275 people. Helping to serve were Nils Noren, Cindy Santos, Scott Irving, Dick Yerxa, Dave Bagdasarian, Jim Russell, John and Rena Eliassen, and John's daughter, Teha, John and Sue LoBosco, Paul Butler, David Lourie, John Thibodeau, and Matt Dube. An especially big thank you goes out to our Interact students, Tori Russell, Annie Russell, Audrey Grey, Katie Jordan, John Bagley, Taylor Knowles, Adam Gilman, Claire McHugh, Mary Bushey, Aimee LaPlante, and Hailey McCracken. Our next opportunity to serve is Tuesday, March 13th.

<u>Club Survey</u> – Sometime within the next week or two, Scott Irving will be sending out a survey, asking members whether they want to stay at the Purpoodock Club or move to Events on Broadway. The Board will be looking at the results of this survey, and will be making a decision at our April board meeting, as to what we will be doing.

<u>Magazines Wanted</u> – Please bring in this month's issue of the <u>Rotarian Magazine</u> for Ellie Speh to collect. She indicated that they would make an especially good handout for new or prospective members.

<u>50th Anniversary Dinner</u> – Ellie and Joan passed out the sign-up sheets to individuals for the 50th Anniversary Dinner. The cost of the meal is \$50 per person, and you have a choice of chicken, seafood, or vegetarian options. Space is limited, so you need to respond by Friday, March 19th, at the latest.

Program: Tonight's speaker was Brian Murphy, Director of Group Sales and Video Operations for the Portland Sea Dogs. Brian described what Sea Dogs employees do in the off season, which is basically to plan 71 different events, each of which represents one home game throughout the year. The challenge is to come up with different ideas each year and to be relevant. Some of the new ideas this year are a salute to Elvis, a South Portland/Cape Elizabeth community day, and a WWE personality, Sergeant Slaughter. In addition, he said some of the old standbys, such as the Field of Dreams game and Zooperstars will be back this year. Thank you Brian for "making us think spring!"

Upcoming Events

- -February 16 Bob and Michele Flynn (anniversary)
- -February 17 & 18 South Portland Winter Festival
- -February 21 David Lourie (birthday)
- -February 22 Regular Meeting
- -February 29 Past President's Talk
- -March 24 District Assembly at USM in Portland
- -March 30 50th Anniversary Dinner at the Wyndham Hotel in South Portland

ASSIGNMENTS

February 22

Song Butler
Invocation Kennealy
Raffle Gift Cotter
Conductor Davidson

February 29

Song Butterworth
Invocation Knight
Raffle Gift Danielson
Conductor Daviero

March 7

Song Carson
Invocation Livingston
Raffle Gift Davidson
Conductor Dobson

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