# T-G-I-F-I-Y

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# The Main Event

#### Program: Tamara Mendez, Exchange Student from Chile

**Dorcus McGurrin** gave a laudatory introduction of the Club's Inbound Exchange Student from Chile, **Tammi Mendez**, as "*an amazing woman... great to have one-on-one time with her.*" **Tammi** used a PowwerPoint presentation to illustrate HOLI-DAYS IN CHILE! Starting with <u>Christmas</u>, it was obvious that summer is the season for Yuletide since the entire country lies south of the equator. **Tammi's** mom has seven siblings so photos show lots of family at gatherings of dinners, going outside "looking" for Santa (who appears wearing a suit, not in red, but what appears to be dark navy, albeit fur trimmed), and opening presents on Christmas Eve.

The arrival of the <u>New Year</u> brings more family dinners, dancing (cotillion), conversation, hugs at midnight, and fireworks. <u>September 18</u> (*in the spring*) is National Day, with its week of vacation, which is the impetus for parties, food ( $\bullet$  empanadas de pino,  $\bullet$  choripan,  $\bullet$  asado,  $\bullet$  mote con huesillo,  $\bullet$  pastel de chocho, and  $\bullet$  medialuna), dances (cueca chilena), games, and more family! <u>Easter</u> <u>Day</u> is a time for reflection, family get-togethers, and chocolate eggs (but no red meat).

Student **Tammi** concluded with an exchange of Rotary banners with **President Tammy**, as well as receiving a copy of the Rotary International Cookbook.







Happy Birthday 12/23—Colleen Kramer 12/30 Jim Quirk 1/3 Norme Weare 1/5 Bob Boucher 1/5Scott Vandersall

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GEORGE DAVIS – \$2: all the remaining tickets for Festival of Trees were sold! / a push for Gingerbread House construction.

TOM TOMASIK – \$2: daughter Christina accepted at her 1<sup>st</sup> choice college / last weekend, forgot... RICK CANNON – \$20 for an old flashlight! PAT ARMSTRONG – \$3: a leave-early buck for (*who*?) / being with Mom at Christmas / 6 months fast recovery post-stroke / she even organized a

Heatherwood chorus. DAVE AKIN – see you all next April.

HOWARD KENDALL – thanks to the club for its achievements – pleasure to be a member. BOB WELLS – Dorcus is here! CAROL WOODBURY – thanks for the cookies /

bring scissors for Sat. gift-wrapping. KEN JENKS – for Tammi / "quiet week" at D-Y – concert, sports, string program & its 43 students /

music trivia: the Meyers brothers (D-Y Classes of '03 & '04) / best network. MATT JOHNSON – buck from Santa / will turned

80 on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. DORCUS MCGURRIN – \$5: a late buck / bronchitis kept her in bed on Thanksgiving but sisters kept

calling / Tammi – wonderful presentation, keep reaching out / Matt Johnson as Santa Claus. DAVE AKIN – a  $2^{nd}$  buck for step- granddaddy stories at Thanksgiving. CHARLIE ADAMS – thanks for all who bought

CHARLIE ADAMS – thanks for all who bought tickets for the Christmas Stroll / it raised between \$10,000 to \$14,000 for children's programs at the South Yarmouth Library and over 700 people came through their house & 7 others. JIM SABEN – (...).

STEVE ALBRIGHT – for Tammi / for granddaughter – 4 weeks at Parris Island to become a Marine / signs of poverty in Yarmouth – the Food Pantry semi-annual fund raising, Anne Bearse at Kaitlyn's Closet had over 1200 request for bags of clothing. An increase of 400 over last year. JILL ALBRIGHT – \$4: Tammi / Wed. show in Providence / 2 for holiday party at work from the boss. BARBARA ADAMS – \$2: last week's successful auction / for Tammi.

TAMMY GLIVINSKI – Toys for Tots at Heatherwood / Tammi / thank you for all that Steve contributes to the club / rings from Adrene Jewelers.

# ANNOU

• Jim Saben – conducted a vocal survey of the Yarmouth Rotary membership profile, per request from R.I.

• Jackie Carnevalli provided updates on the <u>Crutches for Africa project</u> – and not just crutches, but other disability devices as well.

• John Cooke – the Yarmouth Rotary Facebook is a <u>sponsored post</u> for Champ House.

• D-Y Interact Club <u>Gingerbread House</u> <u>Contest</u>: December 16 (9 am).

• Curly Carey – the Yarmouth Rotary is looking to do a Champ House Christmas Dinner; Steve Albright is following up.

> • **Barbara Adams** – the Yarmouth Rotary Holiday Auction on December 4<sup>th</sup> brought in over \$13,800, a great result; that is until **Charlie Adams** brought forth some further items and, upon being auctioned off, the final tally of funds raised ascended to \$14,425!

• Fran Webb – the wrap-session for the gifts to be distributed at Yarmouth Rotary Family Christmas Party will be held at Fran's house, Saturday, December 12 (10 am) – bring SCISSORS.

• George Davis – the Festival of Trees (with gifts on the trees) to benefit Kaitlyn's Closet is seeking to raise \$8000. George has seven tickets left – going fast!

# **Happy Holidays**

## Calendar

Dec 18—DY Chorus Christmas Caroling Dec 25—No Meeting "Christmas Day" Jan 1—No Meeting "New Years Day Jan 8—Mark Gryllis Yarmouth Building Commissioner Jan 15—Karen Greene Yarmouth Director of Community Development Jan 22—Kathie Bailey - Yarmouth Director Senior Services

**Program Committees:** Please notify Howard Kendall and Steve Albright of your speakers. You are responsible for providing the write up on the speaker for the following week. December—Disease Prevention & Treatment Dorcas McGurrin

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Happy Anniversary 12/19 Howie & Karen Onik 1/5 Elena & Keith Schuck

#### MEALS ON WHEELS

12/22 Steve Albright & P. Morris 12/29 S. Albright & F. Mastromauro 1/5 Tom Ulrich & Matt Johnson 1/12 Scott Vandersall & Fran Webb 1/19 Brian B. Smith & Rick Cannon 1/26 Esther Stocchetti & Phil Morris 2/1 Tom Ulrich & Matt Johnson 2/8 Steve Albright & Frank M. Substitutes Steve Albright Frank-Mastromauro MEETS at the Yarmouth Senior Ctr. 528 Forest Rd., South Yarmouth 9:30 A.M.

## FRONT DESK

Dec 18 Bernie Nuggent & Esther Stocchetti Dec 25 No Meeting

Jan. 1-No Meeting

Jan 8—Dave Botting & Ann Knell

Jan 15-Bill Lemoine & Norme Weare

Jan 22—Esther Stochetti & George Davis

PLEASE be available at 6:30 AM on your scheduled Friday. If it develops that you cannot attend, please Swap with another

#### <u>GUEST POLICY</u> Prospective members are the guests of the Club for their first meeting

# GREETER

Dec 18 - Charles Adams Jan 8 -Jill Albright Jan 15—Steve Albright Jan 22—Pat Armstrong Jan 29-Donna Baldwin Feb –5 Jim Bogle Feb –12 David Botting

Janruary—Vocational Service Phil Morris