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Rotary Club of Portland Maine

The Windjammer

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Feb 11 2011

Survivor Bob Crowley

*"[our Valentines Day program]"***Feb 18 2011**

Bob McKenzie, Kennebunk Police

*"Teen Drinking"***Feb 25 2011**

President Rick Snow

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Cyrus Hagge

*"Rotary Foundation Meeting"***Mar 11 2011**

Victoria Rogers

*"5-2-1-0 Program"***Mar 18 2011**

Katy Foly Cary Cartwright

*"Jobs for Maine Graduates"***Mar 25 2011**

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THIS WEEK: CONFESSIONS OF A POLITICAL JUNKIE

by John Marr

For many, politics is as much excitement as sports, and major elections are the equivalent of the Championship game or the Super Bowl. As any fan will attest, it's not enough to savor the victory, you have to analyze every aspect. Professor Franz will do some political analysis and should satisfy the craving of our many political junkies

This weeks guest speaker, Michael M. Franz, is Associate Professor of Government at Bowdoin College. His research projects include interest groups, parties, elections, and campaign advertising. He is the co-author of *Campaign Advertising and American Democracy* (Temple University Press, 2007) and author of *Choices and Changes: Interest Groups in the Electoral Process* (Temple, 2008). This spring, Temple University Press will publish his third book, *The Persuasive Power of Campaign Advertising*. In 2007 he was awarded the E.E. Schattschneider Award from the American Political Science Association for the best dissertation on American politics.

He is co-director of the Wesleyan Media Project, a non-partisan academic collaboration that tracks and codes political advertisements in House, Senate, and gubernatorial elections.

Franz was born in Haverhill, Mass. and went to college at Fairfield University. He earned his PhD at the University of Wisconsin. He has taught at Bowdoin since 2005, and he lives in Brunswick with his wife Laura and six-month old bundle of joy, Charlie.

THE FAGANS : 13 TRIPS AND COUNTING

by John Marr

Roger Fagan, Audiologist and **Liz Fagan**, Speech Pathologist, opened the report of their 13th trip to Santo Domingo with a photograph of one of their 1160 patients signing, "I love you." The 2010 trip, the fifth they have undertaken with a Rotary Grant, took place in three locations. They started out with full diagnostic evaluations in Santiago; then they moved to the noisy sugar cane fields and a little clinic where they serviced patients' power packs and fitted new devices. The third location was the Rehabilitation Hospital in Santo Domingo where **Roger** fitted new patients and **Liz** continued to teach children how to speak and to train parents how to help their children. Their oldest patient was 104 years and the



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youngest was 14 months. On this trip they were joined by **Charlie Miller**, who was invaluable in helping the folks to repair their battery chargers.

While at the Rehabilitation Hospital, **Roger, Liz,** and **Charlie** came in touch with a couple of other Rotary-supported programs: a water filter project honched by the Ogunquit Club and the "Give-a-Hand" project, initiated by a northern California club. This project provides a unique prosthetic service to limbless folks at the cost of \$10 a prosthetic. Rotary International is deeply involved in looking for partners to extend this program beyond Santo Domingo, Ecuador, and Vietnam. **Roger** has already offered his assistance in grant writing and wonders if Portland Rotary might want to "partner up".

Roger, Liz, and **Charlie:** we thank you for your leadership and for showing us what "Service Above Self" is all about.

PICTURE - (another try from last week!)

by John Marr



Here is a group of Portland Rotarians skiing last month at Sunday River: Left, Kris Rosado, Paul T. Gore, Bill Blount; Right: Amy Chipman, Peter Goffin, Ellen Niehwohner, Paul Tully.

REPORT FROM THE PRINCESS OF PIZZA, LORETTA ROWE

by John Marr

The air smelled so sweetly delicious of Italian aromas inside the Italian Heritage Center on Sunday, January 30th at the Portland Rotary's 3rd Annual Pizza Bowl, all contributed by 8 local pizza restaurants participating in this annual event:

The restaurants that contributed to those enticing aromas were:

Bernie's of West Falmouth Crossing (berniesplacefalmouth.com),

Flatbread Company at 72 Commercial Street (flatbreadcompany.com),

Joe's New York Pizza at 420 Fore Street (joesnypizza.com),

Leonardo's at 415 Forest Avenue (leonardosonline.com),

Otto's Pizza at 576 Congress Street (ottoportland.com),

Pat's Pizza -Old Port at 30 Market Street (patspizzaldport.com),

Portland Pie Co . at 51 York Street (portlandpie.com), and

Ricetta's at 240 Rte 1 in Falmouth (ricettas.com).

he restaurants competed in 4 judging categories: Best Crust, Best Cheese, Best Sauce and Best Specialty Pizza. Our 6 celebrity judges included: Kim McDonough, The Italian Heritage Center; Meredith Goad, the Portland Press Herald; Ray Richardson, WLOB 95.5 Radio and WPME TV; Jeff Peterson, WGME Channel 13 TV; Anne McNamara, WGME Channel 13 TV; and Craig Gay, LeRoux Kitchens. .

The public got to voice their own opinions on who they thought were the best restaurants. After sampling pizzas from all 8 restaurants, they voted by ballot in the PEOPLES' CHOICE AWARD.

Winning restaurants in the 4 judging categories, as well as, the Peoples' Choice awards, went to:

Best Pizza Crust: FLATBREAD COMPANY

Best Pizza Cheese: LEONARDO'S

Best Pizza Sauce: JOE'S NEW YORK

Best Specialty Pizza (**There was a tie**): PORTLAND PIE CO. and OTTO'S PIZZA

Peoples' Choice Awards:

1st Place - PORTLAND PIE CO.

2nd Place- LEONARDO'S

3rd Place- PAT'S - OLD PORT

4th Place- OTTO'S PIZZA

The 50/50 cash raffle held during the event raised \$330! The winning ticket was held by PAUL T. GORE, who shared the pot with

the Portland Rotary Club.

All of the non-perishable foods that were donated by the people who attended this event will help the Salvation Army food pantry.

Portland Rotary wants to thank all of the people who made this event a success: the pizza restaurant owners and their staff, the more than 50 volunteers who helped in this event, our six judges, the Italian Heritage Center and most of all the public who attended. We appreciate everyone's efforts and support of Portland Rotary."

We encourage you to visit these pizzerias and make known that you got a taste of them at the Pizza Bowl.

Images of the Pizza Bowl:





Top: Left to right, back: Rotarian Joe Gray, Pat's Pizza Old Port owner Chris Tyll holding daughter Grace, Rotarian Paul gore, Pat's asst. mgr Ken Cianchette, holding James Tyll. Front: Pat's employees- Danielle Reny and Shannon Marden.

Middle: Left to right back row, Rotarian Lee Wygant, Emma Ranello, Cameron Jury, Charles Piper, Rotarian Tom Ranello. Front row: Mia Ranello, Melina Piper

Bottom: Left to right: Rotarian Mike Fortunato, Caroline Black, Phil George, owner of Leonardo's Pizza, Patricia Fortunato. Front: Sydney Black

THIS WEEK: WHO's DOING WHAT

by Elise Hodgkin

Registration	Catherine Wygant
Meal Ticket Sales	Jonathan Young
Buffet Table Tickets	Roger Asch
Greeter	Lee Wygant
Invocateur	David Small
Music	Peggy Wescott (<i>Russell Burleigh</i>)
Sgt at Arms - Early	Toby Cook
Sgt at Arms - Late	Eric Lusk