

April 22, 2010

Make-up Opportunities:

Biddeford-Saco-Wed 12:15 pm, Captain's Galley, OOB – **Breakwater Daybreak**-Wed., 7:15 am, Betsey Ross House, 99 Preble St., So Portland - **Kennebunk**-Thurs-12:15 pm, Holy Cross Lutheran Church – **Kennebunk Portside**- Tues. 7:15 am, Community House, Temple St., K'port – **Ogunquit**-Wed. 12:00 pm, Jonathan's Rest, Bourne Lane, **Portland**- Fri. 12:15 pm, The Portland Club, State St. – **Sanford-Springvale**- Thurs. 7:30 am, Knights of Columbus Hall, High St. – **Scarborough**- Tues.6:50 am Henry VIII, Cabella's Plaza, **South Portland-Cape Eliz.**,- Wed. 6:15 pm, Purpoodock Club, 300 Spurwink Ave., C.E. – **Wells**, Mon. 7:30 am, The Bull n'Claw, Rt. 1

PROGRAMS

- April 22 Ferry Beach Ecology School
- April 29 Saco Bay Auto Donation, Dave Wilson
- May 1 Polio Plus Breakfast at the Nonantum Resort, Kennebunk (*more info in the Announcement section*)
- May 6 Efficiency Maine's Business Program, Kristin Mc Alpine
- May 14-15-16 District Conference, Portsmouth (*more info in Announcements*)

Remarks from District Assembly :

Greg C. thought the experience was "COOL". He said that there was a great turnout and an opportunity to attend many different breakout sessions. He enjoyed it and learned something???

Greg gave a special thanks to Dan Colby who monitored the halls to make sure that everyone stayed in class.

Dennis commented on the District's project for Africa. He said that 150 prs. of crutches, walkers and canes have been collected so far.

**New Member
Bonnie Mastinlich**



The picture shows Dan Colby inducting Bonnie while sponsor, Ray Audie looks on. Bonnie is an attorney with the firm Pretti, Flaherty located in Portland. Her specialty is business law. Bonnie was previously a Saco Bay Rotarian back in the late 90's. *Welcome back, Bonnie*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ★ **Please note** that on **May 1st**, there will be a breakfast to benefit Polio Plus at the **Nonantum Resort in Kennebunk**. The cost is \$9.95 plus tax and gratuity. The time is 7:30AM to 10:100AM. Please come and bring your friends and family.

The **District Conference will be held at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel in Portsmouth** on May 14-15 & 16. There is no registration fee this year. The Board voted to subsidize \$50.00 toward a meal for up to 10 people who attend. Saturday is a great day to attend, as there are breakout sessions and a great evening meal. There are a few spots left. Please let Dennis know by next week.

Check Presentation



Dennis presented a check to Connie Griffin for the benefit of the Young Maine Readers' program. The approved amount was \$350. which the Board matched for a total of \$700 .

Connie said that last year 2050 children received books in the mail in the York County area. It is a unique organization as the books are mailed to homes. For more info, go to: www.youngmainereaders.org.

50-50

Leo lost out on the 50-50 winnings.

Sergeant at Arms

Curt Scamman

- ★ **Happy Birthday** to Ray Audie and Phil Hatch (better known as Lucie's partner.).
- ★ April 15th , better known as Tax Day caught only 2 people in our group who had not filed their taxes. Doug and Greg had to pay-up.
- ★ I will use my "editorial privilege" and not mention the joke about Nancy Pelosi----since I am a DEMOCRAT.

Happy Dollars

\$ Welcome back Ed Boucher and Peter Bishop from Florida. It is nice to have you with us again.

\$ Nancy paid a very happy \$ because on Monday, she and her boyfriend are heading to Utah and California for 2 weeks. The Utah stop is special because Nancy will visit with her youngest son.

\$ Kitty thanked Dennis who helped her compress a. 45 mins. DVD to 10 mins.!

President's Closing Remarks.....

Have a great Rotary week!



Peter Bishop shared that he wears his Rotary pin on his jacket all the time. He has found in his travels that people recognize it almost daily and it sparks a conversation and creates a common bond.

Speaker Dru LaDuke



There was a mass exodus when President Dennis introduced our speaker, Dru. (joke, of course)

Dru was exuberant about his PETS experience. He shared with us some of his plans to make our Club even greater than it is. It is well know in Rotary that Saco Bay leads the clubs in many areas. Our membership is double what most clubs have for members. It is known as a fun club.

Dru wants to continue our traditional great programs.i.e.Scholarships, Bon Appetit, Toys for Tots, Eyes for the Needy, Alfred Jail books for the inmates,etc.

Additionally, Dru would like to try some new projects...

Chicken Barbecue in July

Write simplified grants to assist Biddeford, Saco and OOB people.

Engage District speakers to nourish our membership.

Get more publicity for the wonderful projects that we do.

Dru's goal is to have everyone "get their feet wet" as Rotarian." By getting involved in projects, we create and share Rotary moments. There are so many opportunities for service in our Club. It is not necessary to try to do everything. It is better to be effective on some project that you might enjoy .

Lastly it isimportant to have FUN. while being a Rotarian! Dru expressed his thanks for the privilege of serving our community thru Rotary.

WELL DONE, DRU.

