

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Dec 22
Our Christmas Music Program
Bring the Family!

Dec 29
No Meeting

January 5
John Sugden
Shriners Hospital in Boston - Learn about the Shriners, & their Hospitals

Steve Krause

The Sports Editor of the Daily Item !



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity
Our 2011-2012 Theme

Steve was introduced by Bill Simpson

and Steve kept the audience in rapt attention with his knowledge of the sports world - both locally and nationally!



Careful observations to give accurate coverage, said Steve teaches you "how to play the game." One soon learns which players seem to do this or that to accomplish great scoring but every player doesn't always act

with consistency - then wild things can happen depending on the sport itself!

Members of our audience asked about this team or that or this player vs. another - and Steve gave wonderful details - currently the TV screens are giving living excitement in football and then suddenly in hockey - day after day.

Steve told us how many players, when they find it may be time for them to retire (or receive an injury or two that dictates they do so) cannot leave the sport they love - and end up terrific coaches for their local high school or college sports programs.

Players learn quickly in their careers that one mistake does not always mean the end of a great career and that "there is always tomorrow".

Good players soon learn to play as a team - success can be soon to follow.

Steve's strongest feelings about sports locally were expressed with true stories of how many professionals spend many years teaching youth of grade school age and high school age how to play **together**. The kids then learn from each other - and in turn, love the sport!

Not only do they learn the sport, but learn to get along with others for the rest of their lives.

Steve feels it is essential that cities and towns **should NOT require high "tax payments"** from families to participate in sports - many families are barely getting along as it is and cannot afford extra charges from their schools in order to be allowed to participate in sports!

Thank you Steve for a great presentation!

Visitors Today

included Dr. Steve Yamadjako and Lisa Campbell.

Our Giant \$1,175 Pot

drew a lot of attention at the door - several Rotarians bought a \$5 roll of tickets - and our lucky ticket holders were Tom Lynch and Bob Dugas !

Breathe easily, readers, the money is safe, at least for one more week !!



In the photo above, left to right: Art Horgan, Jo Ann & John Noyes !

THANK YOU!

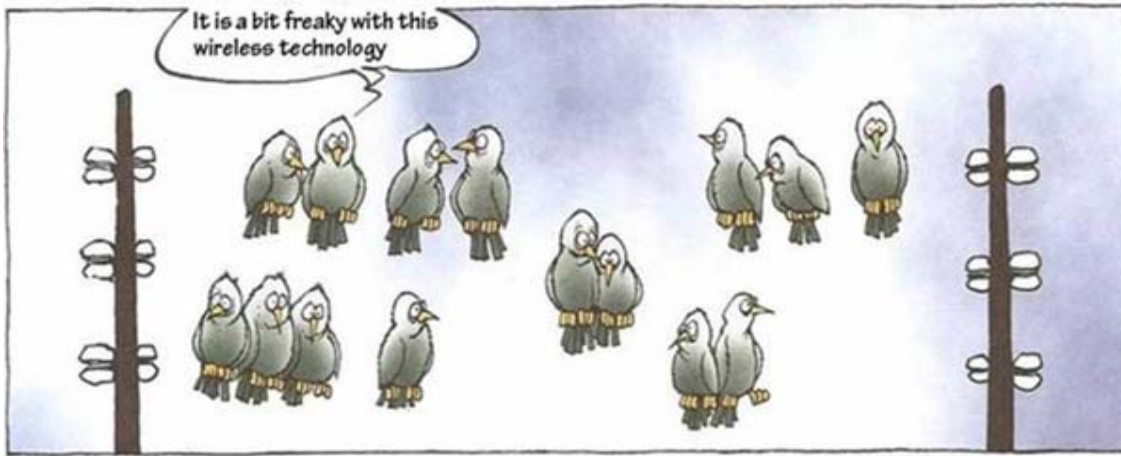
Our club members did a great job for a very needy Salvation Army Christmas assistance drive again this year!

Members and guests participating included: Bob Kennedy, Mary Anne Rooney Hegan, Rich Cuffe (who brought the bucket and stand to the Lynnfield site!), Obie Barker, Jan Reardon, Donna McMillan, Jo Ann and John Noyes, Gene Hastings, Art Horgan, Bill and Peg Simpson, Maria Bazzi, Ron Mendes, and **double-duty - TWO hours: Steve Upton and Tom Lynch !!!**

Bob Dugas

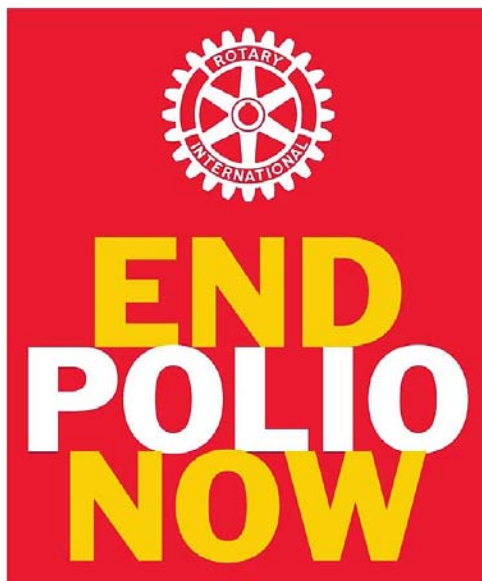
walked through the meeting with our fine box and many of us paid \$2 or less for violent infractions of club protocol such as waking up a bit late this morning or coming in late - or singing off-key!





2nd Annual! **ROTARY DISTRICT 7930**

POLAR PLUNGE



CAPE ANN MOTOR INN

ON LONG BEACH

33 ROCKPORT RD, GLOUCESTER

After 20 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions.

Your contribution will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.

SAT FEB 11

PLUNGE TIME: 11:30AM

Please join your fellow District 7930 Rotarians for this important regional fundraiser.

Together we can put an end to polio!

If you have any questions on joining the plunge described above, feel free to contact Bob Gravino directly at rcgravino@aol.com
 Best Regards,
 Jim Major
 Annual Programs Fund Chair
 Rotary District 7930
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GREETERS' SCHEDULE

December 22 - Art Horgan & Dave Richardson

Please remember, Greeters have to **BREAK DOWN** also !!