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Steve Upton Leads Discussion On Our Club's Future & Its Programs



Our Program This Week

was led by next year's President Steve asking everyone to participate and give ideas for interesting programs that will help build our club membership and keep everyone interested each week.



Some of the questions raised included: Are our programs and goals addressing the needs of our community? Might we utilize programs of a one-day length? Suggestions included a school band concert at city hall or perhaps an art auction. A running competition along Lynn Shore Drive? Can we visit a local industrial site or a new business under construction?

Secretary Joyce will compile a more complete list of the many suggestions and get the possibilities to our members.

Thanks Steve for a well-done presentation!

Our Pot Is Up To \$285 !

Two lucky tickets were drawn by Bill Simpson: Dave Richardson and Barbara Maitland! They tried hard but the money is safe for another week.

Uh-Oh!

Following my receipt of an announcement from another club canceling their meeting this week as New Year's Eve weekend attendance might be light, your editor sent an announcement Tuesday to our members and other **TIPS** recipients reminding them of today's (December 30) upcoming meeting and urging them to attend. I then received these instructions from club President Elaine:

Gene if you would just send any announcements to me I will take care of getting messages out to the members.
Elaine

Your editor will no longer send members any messages urging attendance to any upcoming meetings *or any other announcements*.

Today's Visitor

was President Elaine's husband, Jack Kurkul! Welcome, Jack - come again!

Lynn Rotarians Helped Catholic Charities Toys for Children Program



left to right: Karen Anderson, Virginia Doocy, Nora Dugas, Richard Cuffe & Steve Upton.

Photo by Bob Dugas

Rich Cuffe, Steve Upton, Bob Dugas with his wife and sister-in-law participated in Catholic Charities North's toy distribution program prior to Christmas.. They helped to sort toys and clothing by age and packed bags with gifts for children.

More than 1300 children were helped.!

Obie Barker

was omitted from the recent TIPS listing of participants in our Bell Ringing for the Salvation Army! Obie probably drove farther than any other volunteer to ring the bells - from his home in New Hampshire and back - just for our campaign! Sorry for the omission Obie - you ring a great bell!!

Happy \$\$\$\$

Dave Richardson announced he was giving Happy Dollars as he and Margie are celebrating their 17th Anniversary this weekend!



Our Dictionary Distribution

will be Wednesday, January 12th for all 3rd graders in our Lynn schools! Please sign up with Jim Harris to volunteer that day - it is lots of fun and the boys & girls really welcome our annual arrival. The labels have been applied to all the books thanks to some energetic students and workspace provided by Equitable Bank!

OOPS!

A printing error has forced the U.S. to stockpile \$110 Billion in new \$100 notes until officials can sort and destroy the flawed bills.

A snag in the printing process left up to 30% of the notes with a blank patch on the face.

Officials are working to devise a mechanical process to sort the flawed bills. Doing so by hand would take up to 30 years.



RI Board approves shift to a resource and support model for programs

The World Community Service and Rotary Volunteers programs will be phased out by 30 June to reinforce the priorities and goals of the RI Strategic Plan and to shift from a program-based model to a resource and support model.

The goal of this new model, approved by the RI Board at its November meeting, is to expand the resources available to clubs for connecting and partnering with each other.

"A significant component of Rotary's new strategic plan is the transformation of Rotary's involvement from monitoring, regulating, and administering specific projects to functioning in a highly supportive mode of providing clubs and districts with essential resources in their international service," says RI Director Kenneth W. Grabeau.

The World Community Service program has helped Rotarians find partners for international service projects. RI will continue to fully support Rotarians in their efforts to serve communities in other countries.

While recognizing the importance of Rotary Volunteers, the Board supported an approach to volunteerism that would provide guidance and resources to a greater number of Rotarians, clubs, and districts. Rotarians are encouraged to include volunteers on service projects, both locally and abroad.

"The primary benefits of this evolution are a greater focus on club and district service, enhanced resources in the development of sustainable and more significant projects, and the development of cooperative relationships between and among the participating parties," Grabeau says.

In the coming months, the Rotary Friendship Exchange program will be transformed with a new, enhanced set of resources to support Rotary connections for international service projects, fellowship visits, and volunteer opportunities. These developments will be shared on the RI website and with Rotarians appointed to serve in district leadership positions for 2011-12.



Camp Rotary Snapshots - 2010



GREETERS' SCHEDULE

January 6 - Art Horgan & Dave Richardson

January 13 - Jim Harris & Virginia Doocy

January 20 - Rich Cuffe & Bob Kennedy

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