



Scarborough Maine Lions Club

Since 1948

April, 2004

What's Happening

At the board of director's meeting on 3-10 the board voted to donate \$50 to District Governor Bob Swett, to help with his expenses for this year, \$75 to the Libby-Mitchell Post to sponsor a baseball team, \$100 to the Root Cellar to purchase 4 tickets to their annual auction, and \$300 to Maine Lions Sight & Hearing for their White Cane Fundraiser. Neil wanted me to try e-mailing the newsletter to save the club money, so I sent a test newsletter to those on the Lions website. We have only a dozen lions with e-mail addresses - two of them came back as no good, George Hazen and Grant Worthing, several lions had trouble opening the newsletter, and I didn't hear from all lions on my list that they got the letter and were able to open it. I send out 52 newsletters each month, so the savings would be minimal. Any lions on the net can go to our website at any time and look at any newsletter I have ever done, as well as the new one which is up before I mail them out. So, if anyone would like to go get it off the site, or have me send the link to you each month, and not send you a paper copy, let me know. It works for other clubs. We still need a bingo coordinator for the upcoming year. Len is the club representative to the town hall for the Boston Post Cane, which looks real nice in the glass case in the town hall lobby.

Ed Connolly Kidnapped

Those of you who attended our last regular meeting on March 18th realized that our secretary, Ed, was among the missing. Where was he? No one knew. Had he told anyone he was going to be absent? No. He would normally have passed his secretary briefcase on to Len if he had plans to be away. We almost couldn't eat, but we managed. Well, you know as meeting time grew near, there was pandemonium. Even though a last minute recruit

took minutes for him, we were all pre-occupied by the ramifications of having a missing secretary. How could the club go on for just this one meeting, and what if this was a long-term thing, and something had actually happened to him? His sub-in-the-chair was no Ed, that's for sure. No checks were written, no books were balanced, bills weren't paid, no work was done. But we got through the meeting, somehow. Well, after only one week, Ed and Dot, managed to find their way back to Scarborough. Their escape was a harrowing experience, they will both be remembering this for years. It seems that the week-end before our meeting, Ed and Dot were kidnapped by the Rotary, yes, the Rotary, and secreted on board a cruise ship bound for St. Lucia. What a horrible fate, but they made the most of the week, trying to enjoy the 80 temperature, sun, white sand and blue water. It was a real struggle for them, to forget the meeting they had been whisked away from, according to Ed. It was a bold political move by the Rotary, that's for sure, how can you immobilize a competing town service organization better than stealing the man who does it all, the secretary? If he had not returned in a timely fashion, we would surely have fallen. Thank goodness Ed is the resourceful man, I mean Lion, that he is. No member of the Rotary has been available for comment. ED is back!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

April Service Anniversaries

4/14 Kay Hansen	10 years
Dick Reid	10 years
4/19 Gerry Butts	27 years
Neil Ross	3 years

Slate of Officers 2004-2005

President	Gerry Butts
1 st V.P. J	John Maroon
2 nd V.P.	Grant Worthing
3 rd V.P.	George Gruber
Secretary	Ed Connolly
Treasurer	Bill Pape
1-yr Director	Jan Breton
1-yr Director	Bob Sparda
2-yr Director	Derrek Hansen
2-yr Director	Rick Pariseau
Membership	Len Libby
Tail Twister	Kay Hansen
Lion Tamer	Ed Leslie
Immediate Past President	Neil Ross
Bingo Chair	POSITION STILL OPEN

World's Stupidest Criminals

In February 1995, six inmates in the prison at Calaya, Mexico escaped during exercise session in the recreation yard, by bouncing over the prison wall, using a trampoline.

In December, 1994, an unarmed man reportedly climbed the wall of Chelmsford jail, in Essex, England, from the outside.

He was carrying a rope with which he intended to haul his brother out. The fellow lost his balance, fell into the jail, and was arrested as he staggered around the prison yard, dazed but unhurt.

Raymond Snyder tried to cash a check at the suburban Riverside National bank in Chicago, in December 1971, As the check was blank when stolen, in order to be cashed it had to be made out to and endorsed by someone. Police believe Snyder picked out the name "Miles F.

Huml" at random from the telephone directory, filled out the check, and went to the bank. The clerk he handed the check to was Mrs. Miles F. Huml. She sounded a silent alarm and police soon arrived to take Snyder away. "I looked at the check," said Mrs. Huml, "and I looked at the man, and I knew he wasn't my husband.." Dutch police made an unusual burglary arrest in Amsterdam in March 1994. When the burglar broke a window on his way in, he unknowingly roused the sleeping couple, who called the police and then hid themselves in the walk-in closet. Hearing the police arrive, the thief dived into the same hiding place. Only after about 5 minutes did he realize the pair were in the closet with him; they'd been holding their breath before then. He had the nerve to ask them to tell the police he was an acquaintance, but after some discussion, they refused.

Joke (from Lion Bruce)

A lady was purchasing an item at the store counter, when the clerk noticed a remote control in her purse. The clerk asked "Do you always carry a remote control in your purse?" The lady answered "No, I asked my husband this morning to come shopping with me, and he said 'No' so I'm punishing him."

April Birthdays

4/8 Grant Worthing

4/13 Len Libby

April Anniversaries

4/17 Fran & Neil Ross

4/30 Sue & Ed Blanchard

Recipe of the Month

Tiramisu

1 lb premade sponge (angel food) cake
1 c espresso coffee
3 eggs, separated
1 c sugar
¼ c heavy cream
¾ lb Mascarpone cheese
3 tbsp unsweetened cocoa powder

Soak the sponge cake in the espresso. Set aside.

In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the yolks and sugar and then whisk in the heavy cream and then the Mascarpone cheese. In a separate smaller bowl, whisk the egg whites until light and fluffy. Slowly add this to the Mascarpone cheese and whisk the mixture until soft peaks form.

Lightly grease a 9 x 9-inch glass baking dish. Place half the cake in the dish and spread half of the cheese mixture overtop. Place the remaining cake on top of the cheese and spread the remaining cheese mixture over all. Chill in the refrigerator for 2 hours. Just before serving, remove from refrigerator and dust cocoa powder overtop with a fine sieve. Serve. Yields 8-10 servings.

Vegetarian Stuffed Grape Leaves with Yogurt

1 lb grape leaves, preserved in brine
¾ c pure olive oil
3 medium onions, finely chopped
3 c long-grain rice
2 tbsp finely chopped, flat-leaf parsley
3 tbsp finely chopped dill
Salt & pepper to taste
1-½ c warm water

½ c fresh lemon juice
1 c plain yogurt, for garnish

Using plenty of hot water, thoroughly rinse the brine from the preserved grape leaves. Drain and set aside.

In a large skillet, heat the oil and sauté the onions until translucent. Add the rice parsley, dill, salt, pepper, and warm water. Cook this mixture half-covered over low heat for about ten minutes, stirring occasionally, until the rice is half cooked and no liquid remains in the skillet. To fill the grape leaves, place them flat on a work surface, shiny side down. Remove the tough stems. Spoon some rice mixture onto the widest part of each leaf. Fold up the bottom of the leaf and then the sides. Roll up towards the tip.

Spread a few larger, unstuffed leaves on the bottom of a large saucepan. Tightly pack the stuffed leaves on top of that, folded side down, to keep them from unwrapping. Press a heatproof plate down on top of them so that they do not move while cooking. Add enough hot water to cover the leaves. Add the lemon juice. Simmer

April Calendar

4/1 6:30pm Social Hour
7:00pm Dinner / Beef stew, salad & dessert
Meeting Speaker / Jan Breton
4/3 Roast Beef dinner
4/8 7:00pm Board of Directors' Meeting
5/15 6:30pm Social Hour
7:00pm Dinner / Ham dinner, sweet potato, vegetable, salad & dessert
Meeting Speaker / Len Libby



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April Eyeglass Count

(Wal-Mart Recycling Mailbox)
3/15/04 386 pair
eyeglasses

Darwin Award- Dead Spitter

7/15/99 Alabama
A twenty-five-year-old
soldier died of injuries
sustained from a three-story
fall, precipitated by his
attempt to win a high-

altitude spitting contest.
He was so intent on
victory, and so drunk, that
he attempted to employ a
dangerous and hitherto-
untested technique. He
backed away from the
window, then hurled
himself toward the metal
guardrail while
expectorating, in order to
add momentum to his
saliva.

In a tragic miscalculation
his momentum carried
him right over the railing,

which he caught hold of
for a fleeting moment
before his grip slipped,
sending him plummeting
twenty-four feet to the
concrete below. The
military specialist had a
blood alcohol content of
0.14 percent, impairing
his judgment and paving
the way for his
opportunity to win a
Darwin Award. There is
no report on whether he
won the contest.