



# Scarborough Maine Lions Club

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## A Word From Your President

As we approach the Holiday season. I wanted to take time to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We will be doing the Kettle for the Salvation Army Dec.14th at Shaw's . We need a few volunteers for 3 to 4 PM. I will be helping 4 to 5 pm. If no one volunteers I will be there at 3 pm to cover this hour. My thanks for all the support. I will see you Dec. 5th.

Thanks,Bob



## The World's Stupidest Criminals

Burglars ignored tape recorders, typewriters, and petty cash when they broke into a lawyer's office near Southhampton, England, in February 1982. Instead, they stole a new burglar alarm that was awaiting installation.

It seemed the perfect time for a raid: Christmas Eve 1994, with a disco next door making plenty of noise to cover any racket they might make. So, two burglars broke into a spoils shop in Southend, England, and then ransacked the offices on the floor above. Their big mistake came when they decided to drag a heavy safe into a small service elevator and take it downstairs, without noticing a sign saying that it was intended for no more than two people. Grossly overloaded, the elevator got stuck between floors, leaving the burglars sitting on the safe and expecting to spend the entire Christmas holiday in what was little more than a small steel cupboard. Fortunately their banging and yelling for help was eventually heard by revelers leaving the disco at the end of the Christmas Eve festivities. They contacted police who brought along the Fire department, who turned off the power and wound the elevator down to the ground floor. The robbers were finally released after 6 hours, at which point they declared they had never been so pleased to see police and firefighters in their lives. The police were pleased to see them, too, and took them away to a nice warm jail cell for Christmas.

Robbers trying to blow open a safe in Munkebo, Denmark, in June 1987, used so much explosive that they demolished the building. The safe stayed firmly closed.

## Quizzes

1. What captain did Fletcher Christian lead a mutiny against near Tahiti in 1789?
2. Who advises Bob Woodward to “follow the money” trail during the Watergate scandal?
3. What legendary manager explained: “You have to have a catcher. If you don’t, the pitch will roll all the way back to the screen”
4. What U. S. Air Force craft has lent its name to a women’s hairdo, an alcoholic drink, and a rock band?
5. What are the well-fed yeomen Warders of the Tower of London better known as?
6. How many of the nine planets have moons?
7. Who did Elizabeth Taylor describe as “the least weird man” she’d ever known?
8. What pathologist released a CD of original flute music titled A VERY STILL LIFE?
9. What Latin leader claims an “Olympic record” for surviving assassination attempts?
10. How many swings of the axe did Sir Walter Raleigh’s executioner require?

## November Eyeglass Count

(Wal-Mart recycling mailbox)

11/22 59 pair eyeglasses  
2 hearing aids



## Ho-Ho..

A new young monk arrives at the monastery. He is assigned to help the other monks in copying the old canons and laws of the church by hand. He notices, however, that all the monks are copying from copies, not from the original manuscript.

So, the new monk goes to the head abbot to question this, pointing out that if someone made even a small error in the first copy, it would never be picked up. In fact, that error would be continued in all subsequent copies.

The head abbot replies, “We have been copying from the copies for centuries, but you make a good point, my son.”

So, the head monk goes down into the dark caves underneath the monastery where the original manuscript is held in a locked vault that hasn’t been opened for hundreds of years. Hours go by, and no one sees the old abbot.

Finally, the young new monk gets worried and goes downstairs to look for the elder monk. He sees him banging his head against the wall. His forehead is all bloody and bruised, and he is crying uncontrollably.

The young monk asks the old abbot, “What’s wrong father?”

With a choking voice, the old abbot replies, ‘The word is celebrate.’



## Recipe of the Month

### *Beef and Pumpkin Soup*

1-½lbs beef stew meat, cut into 1-inch cubes  
1-10-oz pkg frozen whole kernel corn  
1-½c ½-inch pieces peeled and seeded pumpkin or butter-nut squash  
1-½c water  
1-8-oz can tomato sauce  
¾ c chopped onion  
½ c chopped green sweet pepper  
1 clove garlic, minced  
½ tsp salt  
¼ tsp black pepper  
? tsp ground nutmeg  
2 oz dried medium shell macaroni or cavatelli  
¼ c snipped parsley

In a 3-½, 4 or 5 qt crockery cooker combine meat, corn, pumpkin or squash, water, tomato sauce, onion, sweet pepper, garlic, salt, black pepper and nutmeg.

Cover; cook on low-heat setting for 10 to 12 hours or on high-heat setting for 5 to 6 hours.

Cook pasta according to package directions; drain. Stir pasta into the soup. Ladle soup into bowls; sprinkle with parsley. Makes 6 servings-*prep time 20 minutes.*

### *Sweet'n'Spicy Turkey*

2 turkey thighs (2-½ lbs to 2-¾ lbs)  
? c chopped onion  
¾ c cranberry juice cocktail  
¼ c Dijon-style mustard  
¼ tsp ground red pepper  
½ c dried cranberries or cherries  
1 tbs water  
2 tsp cornstarch  
3 c hot cooked barley  
1 medium nectarine or pear, cored and chopped

Rinse turkey thighs. Place turkey thighs in the bottom of a 3-½ or 4 qt crockery cooker. Add onion. In a bowl combine cranberry juice cocktail, mustard, and red pepper. Pour over all.

Cover; cook on low-heat setting for 5 to 6 hours or on high-heat setting 2-½ to 3 hours. Remove turkey, cover to keep warm.

For sauce, strain cooking juices. Measure juices; if neces-

## December Calendar



12/5 6:30pm Social Hour  
7:pm Regular Dinner Meeting  
Lasagna/garlic bread/ salad  
& dessert  
Special Guest/ 41-L District  
Governor, Jim Eaton

12/12 7:pm Board of Director's  
Meeting

12/19 6:30pm Social Hour/Spouses  
Night  
7:pm Christmas Party/Xmas  
Buffet

## December Service Anniversaries

12/1	John Flaherty	36 years
12/3	Jan Biddle	10 years
12/7	Ralph Dunton	41 years
12/17	George Gruber	38 years
	David Wood	8 years
12/20	Bob Buttarazzi	29 years

## December Birthdays



12/11 Mary Anderson (Derrek's Mary)  
12/17 Bob Buttarazzi  
12/28 Ed Blanchard

sary, add water to make 1-½ cups. In a small saucepan combine juices and cranberries or cherries. Stir together cornstarch and 1 tablespoon water; add to mixture in saucepan. Cook and stir over medium heat until thickened and bubbly. Cook and stir for 2 minutes more to serve, toss hot cooked barley with nectarine or pear. Serve turkey and sauce over barley mixture.  
Makes 6 servings-*prep time 15 minutes.*



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## Salvation Army Bell-Ringing

December 14<sup>th</sup>-Scarborough Shaw's  
(Outside)

9:am-10:am Gary Lamson/Paul Cyr  
10:am-11:am Ed Leslie/George Gruber  
11:am-Noon Len Libby/Jan Biddle/  
Mike Bretton  
Noon-1:pm Jerry Butts/Ed Connolly  
1:pm-2:pm Al Sprague/John Maroon  
2:pm-3:pm Bill Pape/Dick Reid  
3:pm-4:pm  
4:pm-5:pm Neil Ross/Bob Sparda

## Answers

1. William Bligh.
2. Deep Throat.
3. Casey Stengel.
4. The B-52.
5. Beefeaters.
6. Seven.
7. Michael Jackson.
8. Dr. Jack Kevorjian.
9. Fidel Castro.
10. Three.



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