



Scarborough Maine Lions Club

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A Word From Your President

Who? Oh, gosh, that means me doesn't it. Well, let's just dive into this new year, then. This week we begin our regular meetings of the Fall season, and I have to say that I'll be glad to see you all again, I need material! I do hope that you all had a wonderful summer. The weather could have been warmer on the whole and drier on the weekends, but that's just my opinion. It was a nice summer, but not fabulous like last year.

Summer fest went really well, with twelve Lions in attendance. What a good group. A special thank you goes out to Lion David for the use of his hot dog wagon, it worked out well on this kind of a project for us, Lion George for purchasing all the food, arranging and setting the whole works up at the Fair, and Lion Derrek for getting all our Vision screening materials printed up for us, and arranging for the machine and training sessions. Len and Jan performed the screening tests at the Fair (in that nice Fire Police trailer), and although we only had 11 children tested, I am not discouraged, because we didn't advertise it beforehand, and we

only had a tiny sign on the trailer with FREE in ½" tall letters. So, they didn't find us, but I think that we were better off starting slowly on this anyway. By the way Dr. Sian Liem at Casco Bay Eye-care in Scarborough has agreed to be our eye professional on this project (at no charge because she said she'd be happy to do this for the lions club), so she will be getting the eye photos, with paperwork, and pre-stamped postcards to mail back to the parents with results. We are very grateful to her for helping us. She will be getting lots of free publicity and probably new clients as well. Derrek and I sold lite-stik necklaces and made a profit of \$352.90 and I would like to thank Bruce Gullifer of Community Services for stopping 2 other businesses at the Fair from also selling them, until we had sold all of ours. We did not have any other places lined up to sell more if we didn't sell all of them that night. They would have really cut into our sales, and they weren't happy, but we sold all of ours by 9:15pm and told them both that they could sell

them then. Thank-you, Bruce. We had a big group on the hot dog wagon, Dick, George, Norm, John M., John F., Ed B., and Ed C. They sold everything but one hot dog roll, what a crew! Profit for the hot dog wagon was \$597.30, so this was almost a \$1000 project for us, it was worth the \$50 entry fee don't you think? What fun we had, and what a fantastic job you all did, yes! I hope that you all got a chance to check out the Fire Flir imaging device that the fire department was demonstrating at the fest. What a neat machine that is. That will be a real asset to them. Aren't we lucky that we were able to purchase such a vital new life saving tool for them.

You may notice that I have scheduled a den clean-up for this month. I will be there doing my part, and would really appreciate all the help I can get. There will be donuts and coffee in the morning, and pizza for lunch. I just have a hard time spending lots of money for a cleaning service, when we've always done such a great job ourselves. I'll be looking for help at the meeting this Thursday.

Of course, Kevin has been
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signed up for the meals again this year, and our speaker for the first meeting will be a massage therapist, Carolee Roberts-Black. Her demonstration might just mean that someone will get a free massage. Could it be you? Carolee has also agreed to give free massages at our upcoming health fair next month. The fair has been set for Saturday, October 21st from 10:am to 2:pm at our den, and is in the setting up stage now. If you have anything in mind for it, either in the way of services or requests, please get to me. See you soon.



Riddles?

1. Name the only animal whose main source of food is the porcupine.
2. Who was the only actor to have three consecutive shows on television, each of which ran for five years or more?
3. Who was the only fighter to knock out Sugar Ray Robinson?
4. What is the only word in the English language that is pronounced the same way when the last four letters are removed?
5. Name the only true American musical instrument.

September Calendar



- 9/7 6:15pm Social Hour
7:00pm Regular Dinner Meeting
- 9/14 6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting
7:00pm Board of Directors Meeting
- 9/16 10:00am Den clean-Up Donuts, Coffee and Pizza
- 9/21 6:15pm Social Hour
7:00pm Regular Dinner Meeting

September Anniversaries



9/5 Dot & Ed Connolly
9/9 Geraldine & El Sprague

September Birthdays



9/4 Doc Yayla
9/16 Kippy Mitchell
9/21 Ed Leslie
9/29 Don Boothby

August Eyeglass Count

(Wal-Mart)

8/10 31 pair eyeglasses
2 hearing aids

8/28 38 pair eyeglasses

The World's Stupidest Criminals

The robber who held up a bank in June 1994 was caught within minutes. As he walked out after ordering a terrified cashier to fill his bag with money, the staff noticed that he was wearing a jacket with his name John Edward Roberts, embroidered across the back.

Knife wielding James Boulder was caught in September 1993 when his pants fell down as he fled from the store in New Jersey that he had just robbed. He then tripped over a fire hydrant and knocked himself out.

Burglars who broke into a warehouse full of fireworks in Durban, South Africa, in October 1978, are believed to have lit matches to find their way around inside. At least one man was burned to death in the explosive blaze that followed.

Recipes of the Month

Roasted Corn on the Cob

- 6 small ears of corn, in husks
- ¼ c reduced-calorie margarine
- 1 tsp dill weed (or any favorite spice)
- salt and pepper to taste

Without removing husks, loosen them and remove silk. Soak corn in cold water 30 minutes. Drain well.

In a small bowl, combine margarine, dill weed, and salt and pepper. Spread evenly over corn. Close the husks and wrap each ear in a piece of foil.

Place on grill and cook 25 minutes, turning every 5 minutes.

Remove husks to serve. Serves 6, 111 calories per serving.

Buttery Pecan Squash

- 4-1/2 c butternut or hubbard squash, cut into cubes
- 1 tbsp reduced-calorie margarine
- 1 tbsp firmly-packed brown sugar (or sweetener equivalent to 3 tsp brown sugar)
- ¼ tsp maple extract
- 1 tsp imitation butter flavor
- ½ oz chopped pecans
- 1 tbsp maple syrup

Preheat oven to 400° .

Cook squash in a small amount of boiling water, in a covered saucepan, until tender, about 15 minutes. Drain and peel squash.

In a large bowl, combine squash with margarine, brown sugar, and extracts. Mash with a fork or potato masher until pureed. Place mixture in a casserole that has been sprayed with a non-stick cooking spray. Sprinkle with pecans. Drizzle with maple syrup.

Bake, uncovered , 20 minutes.

Serves 6, 98 calories per serving.

This is a great buffet dish.



The many faces of Ralph Dunton



Secret Life

I mentioned earlier that 12 lions were at Summer fest, well, I have since found out that there was actually 13. Ralph Dunton was there, too. Evidently his love of children goes further than his grandchildren. Recently, a relative of his made an amazing discovery at his home in Porter. It seems that Ralph leads a much more active life than any of us knew. His house is full of animal costumes. What, you may ask, would he be doing with costumes? Well, it seems that he has been dressing and performing in costume for years. He has been playing the part of Slugger for the Sea Dogs, Crackers for the Portland Pirates, (who even knew he could skate?), Smokey the Bear, and various other animals. When questioned by his family he even admitted that he had actually played the Lion in the Wizard of Oz 40 years ago. Is that destiny, or what? They asked him about all the money that he has made acting these character parts, and he replied “Paid?” I called the manager of the Portland Sea Dogs about

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Slugger and he said "Paid?" He then asked me to bury this story because although Ralph shows up for every game and does his thing for them, why would they ever offer to pay him when he comes and performs for them without ever mentioning money. They're getting a freebee and if I print this Ralph may demand a salary, so why ruin a good thing? The Portland Pirates manager refused to give me an interview, stating only that he knew nothing about any Crackers, so we had nothing to talk about. They seem to know a good thing when they see it. So, Ralph is a very busy animal (literally). He told his wife that he only does it for the kids, to give them a little laughter and some pleasure in their young lives. You're a great role model, there Ralph. Keep up the good work. Remember Lions, that anytime you see an animal costume walking around, it could be our Ralph.

Answers

1. The fisher, a dark brown or black fox like mammal which is found in northern North America. It does not eat the quills, which cover all of the porcupine's body except for the face.
2. Michael Landon. The three shows were "Bonanza" (1959-1973), "Little House on the Prairie" (1974-1983), and "Highway to Heaven" (1984-1991).
3. Joey Maxim in the 1st round of the world heavyweight championship on 6/25/1952, in New York
4. Queue, It's pronounced "q" whether the last four letters are removed or not.
5. The banjo.

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