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Bad Weather Already Started, Snowbirds Gone

Only ten participants attended last meeting. I don't know if it was the bad weather or the election night that held a greater attraction for the members. Boy, am I glad that one can finally start watching television, or listen to radio again. Even the Head Off ad was a relief.

It was meatloaf time. I really like the way they prepare it. It comes with gravy over their homemade mashed potato with carrots on the side, - a "stick to the ribs" meal. The dessert was a delicious pie of some kind with cherries and whipped cream on top. It was disconcerting to learn the reason why Kelly wasn't serving us last Tuesday. She had undergone surgery. We hope that it came out OK!

Marty Kimmel had attended the train show in York, PA, again. They managed to squeeze it into two days, travel time included. Three dollars.

It was obvious that Art Traphagen had received UV radiation. It is not possible to get that level of radiation damage in our parts this time of the year, so a fine was likely to be levied. They had been gone for 17 days, two of which were spent in the southern part of the "Left Coast." Then they took a 15 day cruise with various stops in Mexico. The weather

had cooperated except for Acapulco, which didn't bother Art anyway. President Pat was quick on the gun, and fined him \$5, which is pretty lenient when you consider that York, PA, cost \$3 for a tenth of the time. She must have suspected that Art brought a bribe in the form of a Tortuga Coconut Rum Cake. Bo was under no circumstances to sample it.

Bob Oswald threw in a happy dollar for the next weekend, when he was going to be "baching" it again. No that's not a spelling error, it's a new derivative verb from the noun bachelor, and has nothing to do with batches. He had already found the Godfather trilogy, which is a favorite entertainment of the dachshunds.

Jim Burns threw in a happy/sad one for a record size buck, shot by a friend of his on Jim's property. Judging by the way Jim showed the size of the 8 point rack, I wonder if it was a stray Texas Longhorn? Perhaps these deer stories are like the famed fish stories, but Jim had his eyes on an even bigger one on the property.

Nancy Levesque confessed that Marty Kimmel had his picture in the paper, with herself in it too. Five Star Bank had donated \$500 to a teen "warmer?" at the

library. Bob Radell started to read a funny story about a guy who was asked never to come back to Wal-Mart again, so I didn't catch how much they were fined for this photo opportunity. Bob's story was unbeatable, detailing the kinds of pranks you wish you had the courage to carry out yourself. Absentees missed a really good one this time.

Business

Art Traphagen had a letter to the club from Drew Fairbrother, who is the president of the Interact club. He has visited the club, I remember, and is a very nice young man. He is looking forward to attending West Point after graduation. In January, there is a DAR conference he has been invited to but it is expensive, - \$1400, so he is not going to register if he can't come up with the money. The letter was passed around to the members for individual consideration. We have the policy of only funding requests, funneled through organizations. Drew's address is transmitted in an e-mail separate from the Hot Potato.

The mulch and pothole project had worked out well last Friday with the participation of Don Griffing, Bob Radell, Roy Robinson, Art Traphagen, and Marty Kimmel (plus tractor) from our club. This cooperative project with the Interact club

was a success. We only hope that our Doc didn't overdo it? Reportedly, he was teamed up with a strong girl, wielding a mean shovel, and he wanted to keep the pace! Hope you're back next week.

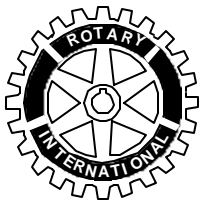
Tom Didas had a better estimate of the profit from the Cohocton Fall Festival. It looks like it's going to be just over \$4000. Well done, and we look forward to the same event next year, obviously with the same nice weather!

Art had a request on behalf of the Interact club. They haven't had tee-shirts for several years. Currently, there are about a dozen members, and at \$7 a piece, it would cost us less than \$100.

Marty moved that we fund this for them and Bo seconded it. The only discussion was whether to buy more than the current number of members, but since size may vary, it was decided to buy just the shirts needed. It passed without objections.

Janine has a program on November 21. Eileen Feinman, principal and coach of the girls' soccer team, will bring some of them.

Since it was an odd number, Bo won 50/50. Before he had a chance, President Pat donated the winnings to the club. See you next week!



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