

NOTES FROM 10/24/89

The meeting opened to the pledge to the flag, the singing of "America", a prayer and the Rotarian thought for the day. We had a packed house, and if it wasn't for the spirit of sharing, some of us would have gone without a breakfast.

Our visiting Rotarians were: Paul Chandler from San Bernardino East, Ca., Donald C. MacKenzie, Henry Mixter, Charles Vaughn, John Peterman, Don Littlefield and Al Bergeron from the Portsmouth Club and Chuck Andrews from the York Club. Our Guests were Jim Howell of Howell's Truck Stop, and Robert Chandler who is serving at PNSY, and was invited by his father, who brought us a Banner from his San Bernardino East Club.

Dick Johnson brought us a Banner from Bonaire, and we also acquired banners from Oakdale, Ca., and San Lorenzo Valley, Ca.

Dan Thornhill commented on the great success of the library move. Over 15,000 books were moved (let's see... at a pound each that would be 7.5 tons of books) by about 150 people in three hours. It was well organized, and the use of the boxes to contain each handful of books worked extremely well.

Even though Rev. Avery played, the Big Golf Event could have used some help from above.

Or Speaker was Phil Chaney, who spoke on the availability and eligibility requirements for receiving Financial Aid for education. The rising cost of education (ahead of inflation in most cases) makes this question of affordability important. Mr. Chaney said that when he and Phil McCarthy started the Bangor Campus of University of Maine the tuition was \$1200. Now it is over \$8000. His Neices and Nephews are all considering private colleges and he is well aware of the \$20,000 price tag at these institutions.

Mr. Chaney most wanted to stress the guide lines for procuring this much needed financial aid. All need is determined by the Federal Government by filling out the financial aid paperwork which includes involved details of your financial picture. A Dollar amount is then given of your eligibility. A school can then Grant or Loan you this amount, or any part thereof if you satisfy their requirements. Loans outside this program must be reported which in some cases will change the amount granted by the school.

The \$500 Scholarships that are given by Rotary in the Seacoast area help a great deal, for the cost of books can be as much as \$300-\$400 per semester.

The Kennebec Journal (Augusta) publishes a guide to the colleges and the financial aid picture, and recently U.S. News has published a survey of the best buys in college programs.

NOVEMBER GREETERS

Denise Marchant and Lezlye Shea

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

November 7	Rotary Foundation
November 14	Dan Thornhill
November 21	Club Assembly
November 28	Classification Talks

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SOMEONE WHO IS PLAYING GOLF WITH HIS BOSS - Nebraska Smoke-Eater