

The Roundtable

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Scholarships and Auctionships

Let's gavel this edition of The Roundtable to whatever order it usually musters by starting with the Auction.

"It's THREE weeks away!" exclaimed **President and Auction Chair Kristy Kimball**. The attendance goal is 200 people. She said that some unexpected sponsorships came in, and that she plans some surprises on the night of December 8 that she hasn't revealed even to her committee. So, no press conferences.

The Club will award a Paul Harris Fellowship to Bangor Police Sergeant Tim Cotton and the Duck of Justice. Members of the U.S. Marine Corps will attend and describe their work with this year's auction beneficiaries, the Toys for Tots program. Kristy suggests visiting the Club's website for more details.

Karen Schaller seeks 25 bottles each of red wine, white wine and "top shelf" liquors. Pledged so far are 11 top shelf bottles and 8 whites. You can buy a lottery ticket @\$10 which, if you win, entitles you to take home the whole collection of wines. There will be a raffle for the top shelf items as well. This should be a corker of a raffle.

Lisa Wahlstrom suggested ideas for donations that include gift certificates, sports tickets, theater tickets, and experiences on the coast of Maine. We will welcome cash contributions so the committee can purchase gift cards. The committee has two Florida vacations lined up. Lisa and **Tom Violette** are finalizing the donation list this week. Send information about your donation(s) to Lisa or Tom.

Griddle iron news: **Kendra Speed** said about 630 people dined at the Veterans Day Pancake Breakfast last Friday, and \$4,300 was raised. Final numbers are coming soon.

The new year will welcome another of the *All That Jazz* concerts in March. **Ken Kimball** announced that business sponsorships for any of the participating high school bands are available. Old Town, Orono, Brewer and Hampden bands will perform.

"This is a perfect time of year to bring guests to Rotary," said **Judy Horan**. The Membership Committee encourages guests who can have free breakfasts as can the member who brings them. Judy promoted Channel 2's Honor Flight Telethon that is on the air today until 6:30 pm. Proceeds will be used to transport veterans to Washington DC for tours of memorials built in their honor. The station will devote its 6 pm newscast time to the telethon.

Short takes: **David Zelz** will march in his clown garb in the parade next week. **Maureen Hedges** volunteered at the Bangor Area Food Pantry.

Thinking globally, **Ken Huhn**'s Rotary Moment gave us information about Rotary International Service projects, including their aim and how to select and run one. Ken said his son graduated from boot camp in Texas and the Air Guard is doing him a favor by flying him to Maine for Thanksgiving. Only he will land in Portland and Ken will spend most of Thanksgiving Day retrieving him.

"The market hates uncertainty." **Joe Pratt** demonstrated last week the market fluctuations following presidential elections. In fact, there are always daily fluctuations. "The market thought it knew for certain what this year's result was going to be. When that didn't happen, averages dropped the next day." But it has settled down. Perhaps there's less uncertainty these days, but...



The jangling bells, flashing lights and the amplified tune on his red hat announced **Greg Jamison's** annual Salvation Army bell ringing coordination. His sign-up list gives you a chance to a one-hour shift at Sam's Club on Friday, December 9 (just one day after the what?). Slots from 10 am to 8 pm are available.

Anniversaries popped up on **Jennifer Khavari's** calendar. Her father turned 72 yesterday; her mother will be 72 on Tuesday and they both plan to visit Jen over Thanksgiving. She praised and thanked those who helped make EMCC's 50th anniversary celebration a success.

Our Guests

We welcomed members of the Interact Leaders Club this morning. We welcomed also the Breakfast Rotary EMCC scholarship winners. Kristy read a letter from one winner who could not attend (she had to work), Nicole Caprissio.

Jessica Commeau (left) is a third year student who volunteers at the Student Center. She also has been in the Boy Scouts. She used her scholarship money to buy books and food. "My entire semester was paid for – less \$93. This was the first scholarship I have ever won."



George Bailey (top right) paid off a credit card he used to buy tools that he needed. He is in the electrical program, but his career goal is HVAC. He has a 4.0 GPA.

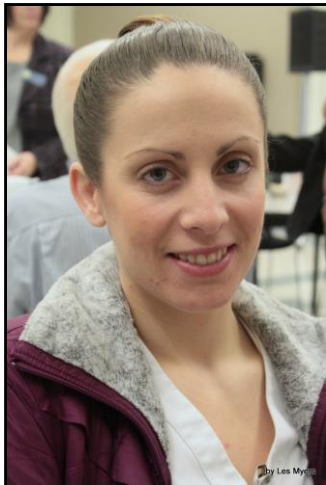


"This is the best scholarship I have ever received," said Dakota Treadwell (right). Married, he has two small children and a third one on the way. He made the Dean's list last year and he works with Troop 63 of the Boy Scouts.

Nursing student Lauren Beckwith (below, left) is in her second year at EMCC. As a mother of a preschooler, her



scholarship has helped her afford childcare while she attends classes and focus on her studies.



Fungi play a major role in Autumn Mallett's (right) curriculum and career goals. She hopes to become a middle school or high school biology teacher. She was the "go to" person in this morning's meeting for fungi and other biological information.



Tifani Pedro's (below, left) cheerful aura emanated from the podium as she said her scholarship paid for her books (\$968 please). She could also pay her rent with scholarship money. She transferred from UMaine to EMCC "because this is a better fit," she said. She volunteers for several organizations, and will graduate with a medical office degree. She plans to continue training to be a substance abuse

specialist.

The Bangor Area Breakfast Rotary Club congratulates all these students for their accomplishments and hard work.



No meeting next Thursday. Happy Thanksgiving from the Roundtable staff and production department.

Les Myers- November 17, 2016



Jennifer Khavari, Tifani Pedro, Lisa Larson



Breakfast veteran



by Les Myers

The Winners