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Next meeting: Noon, Feb. 11, Norway Congregational
Program: Roberta Howard, Poland Spring Academy - Dick Gaisford program chair
Feb. 4 attendance: 26/50 members; 29 total — 50-50 - Jan Gauger - \$12

GUESTS: Staff member of the Month Jan Gauger, Key Club advisor Joe Cummings and Key Club member Kemsen Searles

KEY CLUB: Kemsen, who last week announced she was running for New England District Treasurer, has changed her mind. She is now running for New England Governor. Good luck! An advisor is still needed for the Oxford K-Kids Club.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Tina read a thank you letter from last month's SAD 17 Employee of the Month, Maureen Adams of Otisfield. She also reminded us of the March 20 **Reading Across American** benefit breakfast at the culinary arts room. Sign-up sheets will be going around soon. The Ray Brown Special Olympics fundraising dance will be held April 9 in the same location as last year - the Silver Spur in Mechanic Falls. The Ridge Riders with Linwood Cash will be playing. The April 10 Kiwanis One Day project has been chosen. We will be hosting a TV ewaste recycling day at Gouin Field. We will be using eWaste Recycling Solutions (see the Nov. 24 bulletin) for the Green Day event. Asst. Supt. Rick Colpitts introduced this month's SAD 17 Employee Jan Gauger, assistant principal at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. Jan has been nominated four times. Comments from teachers included: "I'm always impressed by the way Jan takes her job to a higher level. I wish I could clone her." - "Jan balances her 'bad' guy role with a sincere respect and concern for our students..." - and "...Her administrative support allows me to maintain positive relationships with my students, free of the resentments that can occur with adolescents."

HAPPY/SAD \$\$\$

Mary Ann Brown - Lake Region girls are 14-3 and Friday night is the last game. (Sorry - Greely won 48-34 but her granddaughter led all Lake Region scorers with 11 points).

Rick Colpitts - Happy the SAD 17 student test scores have improved.

Tina Croteau - Happy the freshman boys are 14-3 after beating Lewiston.

Helga Thurston - A dollar for having her photo in the paper as part of the "Real People"

feature and advised anyone being interviewed to be prepared for the personal questions that will be asked.

Bill Haynes - A sad dollar for the passing of Louise Huff, 95, a former teacher and wonderful person who will be missed.

SPEAKER



John Williams, new executive director of the Oxford Hills Chamber of Commerce after a 5-year hiatus, said he was like Brett Favre and is back again. He served for 11 years at the Chamber's helm and welcomes the opportunity and challenge to move Oxford Hills' largest business organization forward in a difficult economy. He told about recently having a routine stress test when his doctor came in. The nurse asked the doctor if there was anything else John needed and he replied, "A psychiatrist." Despite being the punch line of a few jokes about his return, John simply smiles and points out all the positive things going on in the Oxford Hills. One of those is the sold-out annual Chamber dinner where 300 people are expected to attend to honor award winners. John's efforts in the coming months will focus on making business owners aware of the numerous resources available to them. "Hosting events like the golf tournament and business showcase



are great but I want to get out in the community and find out what is needed," said Williams, who also owns Williams Broadcasting that provides the daily ski reports.. He added he wants to make sure that services like SCORE and the Small Business Administration are being used "to make people in the Oxford Hills successful" and to "bring back stability to the chamber." Thanks to John, who emphasized: "please call on me with both concerns and ideas."

Speaker Schedule

Feb. 18 - Rev. Frank Jewett - 7:30 a.m. Harper Center
 Feb. 25 - Linda Russell, Estate Planning - Sarah Glynn -
 Oxford Advent Church
 March 4 - Dick Gleason - Charlie Eshbach, President of the
 Portland Sea Dogs - South Paris Congregational

March 11 - Stuart Goodwin: Ben Tucker IV - Norway Cong.
 March 18 - Spiritual Aims - Harper Center
 March 25 - Cindy Hakala, program chair - Oxford Advent
 April 1 - Bill Haynes: Humorist John McDonald - Paris Cong.
 April 8 - Maureen Howard - Norway Congregational Church



Helga Thurston, above, offers a dollar for having her photo in the paper while at right, three members of the Seniors Table fumble about after a coffee incident. Details were scarce at the scene as the trio scurried to clean up before the bell. Below, Mary Ann Brown continues to spend her dollars on happy/sad announcements. In the center is SAD 17's Ms. February, Oxford Hills Asst. Principal Jan Gauger. At right, Kemsan Searles announces she is running for New England District Key Club Governor.

