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NEXT MEETING: Noon July 22 - Oxford Advent Church

SPEAKER: Senate candidate Rep. Sawin Millett - Tom Winsor

July 15 attendance: 20/47 - 26 total - 50-50 Tom Winsor - \$12

GUESTS: Bonnie Spencer of Don Malpass and the Padgett family: Jeff & Jenni and children Jake, Jonah and Juliese.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The one-day auction yielded about the same as last year - \$11,000. We served 240 at the breakfast for a total of \$1,650. There will be a follow-up meeting scheduled soon to discuss ideas for next year. ☞ The unforeseen drama for the breakfast came shortly after 9 a.m. with the crowd hitting full stride. A bird short-circuited the power at the high school, leaving the coffee department dead in the water, so to speak. Tina and Becky headed for Dunkin Donuts and Tim Hortons. In the meantime, Paris Fire Chief Brad Frost was eating his pancakes and was asked to provide a generator, which put the coffee makers back in business. The church group that meets in the auditorium was forced to cancel and donated doughnuts and muffins. ☞ Kathy L. reports that 38 have signed up for the July 29 fifth Thursday catered dinner in Oxford. The price is \$15. ☞ It seems that all the top officers will be gone for the Aug. 12 meeting. Don Malpass, a past president, graciously agreed to run the meeting.

HAPPY/SAD \$\$\$

Bob Bizier - Happy dollar for his 50th anniversary, although "I didn't think I was that old."

Becky Toothaker - Two happy dollars for a successful weekend and because her son is buying the Bessey Motor Sales donated auction car that she bought.

Stuart Goodwin - Missed his first pancake breakfast because grandson went to state playoffs.

John Cox - His son John's Little League team won the championship and he is also playing with the 11-year-old all stars. They gave out two awards, and while he may never win the Most Athletic, he did win the Sportsmanship award.

Kathy Laplante - Stayed up late making cowboy/cowgirl costumes for her grandchildren for the Harrison Old Homes Days parade with a theme of the Wild Wild West. Happy to say they won third place and endured the soggy weather.

Tina Croteau - The club "really had a wonderful weekend." She thanked everyone for their

efforts but is glad it's over. She celebrated with a cold beer that night.

Bill Haynes - Offered a disappointed dollar because venerable club member Stuart Cummings was talking during the singing.

SPEAKER

Jenni and Jeff Padgett spoke of Adoption Awareness and showed a PowerPoint. There are 143 million orphans in the world with 2.1 million new ones created each year in Africa. Only about 250,000 orphans a year are adopted. More than 35,000 a day "age out," which is 18 in the United States. She said adoption is "ridiculously expensive," there are plenty of roadblocks thrown at those wanting to adopt and the process is "mindboggling." The couple adopted Juliese from China in 2008. The Padgetts are promoting a 3-mile *Journey for Joelle Walk-A-Thon* at 10 a.m. Sept. 11 at Oxford Hills. There is a \$10 registration fee to cover the cost of the T-shirt. The goal is to attract a minimum of 200 walkers who will each find at least 10 sponsors. Visit Padgett Family Adoption of FaceBook for more information. The Padgetts are also planning to adopt another child.



Speaker Schedule

July 29 - 86th Birthday - 5:30 p.m. Alternative Modular Homes
Aug. 5 - Herb Strauss - South Paris Congregational Church
Aug. 12 - Arnold Weeks - Norway Congregational Church
Aug. 19 - 7:30 a.m. Breakfast - Harper Center

Aug. 26 - Juanita Smith, Oxford Advent Church
Sept. 2 - Tina Ruhland - So Paris Congregational Church
Sept. 9 - Helga Thurston - Norway Congregational Church
Sept. 16 - 7:30 a.m. Breakfast - Harper Center