

# Y's CRACKER

St. Paul Skyway Y Service Club



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**Scripture – As the soil makes the seed come up and a garden causes seed to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations. Isaiah 61:11**

**Worldly Wisdom** – It isn't what you don't know that gets you into trouble; it's what you know for sure that just ain't so. Mark Twain

**Opening Prayer** - Rev. Neidorn led us in prayer of thanksgiving.

**Levity** – Norm and Hugh supplied high quality levity.

**Guests** - We were pleased to have Gloria serving as our guest today.

**Door Prizes** – Three pleased recipients received the wrapped mystery gifts compliments of Howard.

## Business

- **Dollars for Scholars** – \$70 was contributed today for this source of Y staff short-term scholarships. Deadline is Nov. 1 so others planning to participate may send a check to me at 596 Terrace Courte, Roseville. Checks payable to Y's Men International – ASF.
- **Regional Conference** – one day – Sat. Nov 7. 10:00 a.m. a big change - no workshops this year. Four fine speakers, two splendid meals and the gracious hospitality of Camp St. Croix. Please send in your registration as soon as you receive it in the mail.
- **Next noon meeting** – Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. Vice President, Hugh will moderate the meeting in the absence of the club president. John will bring Y staff member, Kelly Fox, who will speak to us about the Y's health maintenance programs for Serious Seniors. Club Directories will be available at this meeting. It would be great to have a good attendance and thereby reduce the cost of mailing copies to members.
- **Joint Tree Sale Planning meeting with the East Y Service Club at East Y on Thurs, Oct. 22.** Time is 5:30 or 6:00 p.m. Your attendance is needed. A modest meal will be provided. Socializing with the East Y members will be allowed and, in fact, encouraged.
- **November noon meetings - Claude** has the program for Nov. 5; **Darwin** for Nov. 19th
- **Happenings Books @ \$30** provide an abundance of savings for the purchaser and the Y gets a healthy piece of the price that will be used to provide college scholarships for St. Paul Y staffers. Four scholarships were provided last year with these funds. Books are available at the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor desk.

## CIRCLE THESE DATES

- **Sun. Nov 15** - 9 – 12 noon Bough bundling at Evergreen Industries, West St. Paul.
- **Fri & Sat Nov 20 & 21** – 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 we will set up the lot, unload and price trees. Oaks are
- **Thurs. Nov 26** – Pause to reflect on your blessings.
- **Fri & Sat, Nov 27,28** – 9:00 a.m. to finish – Complete lot set up and pricing, Start sale (See schedule of sales personnel assignments.)
- **Following last sale day** before Christmas - Clean up help has been short sometimes.

**Today's Feature** - Howard introduced Mike Boll from Excel Energy who described Excel's energy sources.. Coal is a primary source, hydroelectric from Canada is another. Natural gas is used. Wind energy is becoming more and more prominent and promising. Biomass is being tapped. Federal regulations are moving them to "green" sources. Their schedule of changes keeps them ahead of these mandates. It was informative and timely. A good Q and A session followed. Mike made a fine presentation. Thanks Howard.

**Membership Drive Update** - Darwin has the Y's marketing department reviewing our letter draft that will be sent by e-mail to Y members in a specified age range. When this review is completed Darwin will let us know. Personal contact is the anticipated next step once the email has been sent. Then we'll all be involved.

## Club Roster

Al Alshouse	Stephanie Chauss	John Duntley	Al Jackson	Tom Kranz	Roger Needels	Si:id Swenson
Claude Bewell	John Cosgrove	Pendy Eliou	Vern Kenney	Jim Kursu	Joan Purrington	Rick Wasiluk
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Larry Boll	Jim Dodds	Norm Heidorn	Howard Kil	Darwin Miles		