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RAFFLE RESULTS

After the February business meeting, the winning raffle tickets were drawn by Art Valois, W1UID, who had no tickets in the drum. This was sure to avoid catcalls of "FIXED!" In fact, every ticket drawn by Art was a non-member! And the winners are:

GRAND PRIZE - Bearcat Scanner
Arthur Francis

FIRST PRIZE - 12" B&W Television
W. R. Serpa

SECOND PRIZE - AM/FM Radio
Dianne Gonet

THIRD PRIZE - Wen Engraver
Stephen Daniel

The best part of the raffle was the \$265 profit the club made.

SPRING AUCTION

The club's spring auction will be held Saturday, April 7, 1984, in the clubhouse. All members are requested to bring in their "goodies" for this event. (Time for a little spring cleaning) The standard 10% commission will be collected by the club on all items sold. Donations of items to benefit the club is appreciated. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar.

AN ALL-OUT ASSAULT

That's what is required! An all-out assault on the building and grounds of SEMARA. Let's pool our resources together and fix the antennae, repair and paint the clubhouse, cut the lawn, and in general clean the place up. In years past, Sunday morning was cleanup time at the club. For those who care to, let's bring back the tradition of Sunday morning cleanup. Or maybe we should consider Saturday afternoon? The day doesn't matter - getting it done does.

25 WEEK CLUB

Just a note - It's kickoff time for our annual 25 Week Club. Complete details are posted on the bulletin board in the clubhouse.

POTLUCK BUFFET HELD

You missed a good one if you didn't chow done at the January potluck buffet held in the clubhouse. It was wall to wall crock pots filled with mouth-watering goodies. To quote a phrase - "Indescribably Delicious!"

Our thanks go out to Mike Ponte, WA 1BZJ, who provided the tables for the event thru the auspices of his church.

The storm the day before the buffet cut attendance down, but still every seat was taken.

Special thanks go out to Richy, N1-ADW, who plowed out the driveway the evening of the buffet. The speed with which he did it reminded me of Flash Gordon!

For those that missed it, the buffet included:

French meat pie, several types of meatballs, stuffed quahogs, assorted cheeses, apple pie, fried chicken, cookies, potato salad, sliced ham, macaroni and cheese, bar-B-que chicken wings, ham sandwiches, summer sausage, pickles, onions, etc.....

When is the next one??? That's up to YOU, the members, but the second week of may sounds good to me. Voice your opinion at the next meeting.

ODDS -N- ENDS

Work is progressing on the installation of the countertop stove in the kitchen area. Thanks go out to Ray, K1VJP, who donated the unit.

A 12 volt feed has been run into the boiler room from the main battery outside. Soon the repeater will be running off this line permanently with a high current charger floated across it to keep it going. The backup repeater is also operational.

SEMARA "25 WEEK" CLUB

THIS IS IT !!! A chance to socialize, meet some of the people that you talk to and very rarely see. An opportunity for a good dinner and a chance to win a considerable sum of money, also.

Here are the details:

Tickets will be available at the MARCH business meeting. They will cost one dollar (\$1) per week for 25 weeks. Each ticket sold will entitle the bearer to a complete PRIME RIB DINNER to be held at THAD'S STEAK HOUSE, New Bedford, on Saturday, September 8, 1984 at 7:00 P.M.

There will also be cash awards drawn at that time. A minimum of \$500 cash will be awarded if 50 tickets are sold. For every ticket over 50 sold, an additional \$10 in cash will be awarded. For example, if 100 tickets are sold we will draw \$1,000 in cash prizes. If 175 tickets are sold, we will draw \$1,750 in cash prizes!

There will be music available after the dinner for your dancing or listening pleasure. Due to seating arrangements, tickets are limited to 175. Also, each time a person wins a prize their ticket number goes back in the barrel, giving them another opportunity to win!

If your dinner preference is other than prime rib, substitutions will be allowed if we know in advance.

Don't forget, the tickets go on sale March 1, 1984. For tickets or additional details contact WAYNE, WA1CCM, at Tel. 995-6541.

P.S. - Any tickets paid for in the first month (by the business meeting in April) will be eligible for a separate \$25 drawing. Each ticket admits one person. NO WEEKLY DRAWINGS. Tickets are available for members and non-members as well. Bring a relative or friend.

NEW FEATURE --- Person selling the most tickets gets one free!!!!!!

GOOD LUCK TO ALL !!!!!!!