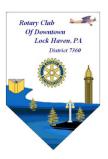


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Rotary of Downtown Lock Haven

Meets Tuesdays, 5:15 PM at KCnet (Keystone Community Network) 18 East Main Street Lock Haven PA 17745

District 7360 Club 61484

Editor, Diane Whitaker Nov. 19, 2013

November Program Coordinator: Wendy Stiver

November 26 – No meeting Happy Thanksgiving!



December Program Coordinator: Diane Whitaker

December 3: 5:15pm Avenue 209 Bellefonte Avenue Lock Haven – Club Assembly December 10: 5:15pm Avenue 209 Bellefonte Avenue Lock Haven – Croda of Mill Hall

December 17: 5:15pm Home of Rotarian, Betty Schantz Partnership B&B Island Road Lock Haven

November 19 –

Thanksgiving luncheon with noon Rotarians at the Country Club in Mill Hall was attended by Downtown Rotarians, Gail, Jerri,



Wendy, Jeanne, Betty with guest Kim, Scott, and Barbara. Entertainment was Tabitha Hayes who sang a solo, "I'm glad to be an American." Questions were passed around by the Noon Club President Marie Harris. Our group was asked "When does Canada celebrate Thanksgiving"? The answer is: the second Monday in October. The Downtown Rotarian's table had the privilege of sitting with Lock Haven Rotary's foreign exchange student, Thomas Hulet, from Belgium. A very nice young, funny, man who talked about his favorite "cookie" from home called "Speculoos". He says he brought some with him but he is running out because he let his friends try one! He has to hide them now so he has some for the rest of his visit! We thank the Noon Rotary Club for an enjoyable and delicious event had by all.

Foundation Banquet:

On November 16, 2013 Rotarians from 7360 drove to the Holiday Inn in Grantville PA for Rotary 7360's Foundation Banquet. Clinton County Rotarians attended were Gail and Diane of the Downtown Rotary Club, Brent and Jacinth from the noon club; Bonnie and Cheryl from the Mill Hall Sunrise Club. Gail and Cheryl came back with silent auction items and Jaycinth with the table's centerpiece. 2010-2011 Rotary International President, Ray Klinginsmith, was the guest speaker and we were surprised that we were not honored as an Every Rotarian Every Year Club, but we decided we would work on this as a goal.

Speculoos, a specialty of Belgium in which flat gingerbread cakes are cut into different shapes, are the inspiration for this recipe. Similar cookies called speculaas are made in Holland, Germany and Austria. These are decorated with melted white chocolate and some pretty red sugar.



Yield Makes 4 dozen **Ingredients**

- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 1 1/2 teaspoons ground ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/4 cups (packed) dark brown sugar
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, room temperature
- 1 large egg
- 2 ounces good-quality white chocolate (such as Lindt or Baker's), melted
- Red colored sugar

Preparation

Combine first 6 ingredients in medium bowl. Using electric mixer, beat brown sugar and butter in large bowl until light. Add egg and beat until fluffy. Gradually add dry ingredients and beat just until combined. Divide dough in half. Flatten each half into rectangle. Wrap with plastic; chill 1 hour.

Preheat oven to 350°F. Lightly butter 2 large baking sheets. Roll out 1 dough piece on lightly floured work surface to 13 x 9-inch rectangle. Trim edges to form 12x8-inch rectangle. Cut into 24 4x1-inch rectangles. Lightly press miniature cookie cutter into each rectangle to make imprints (do not cut through dough). Arrange cookies on prepared baking sheets, spacing 1 inch apart. Bake until edges begin to darken, about 8 minutes. Transfer cookies to rack and cool. Repeat with remaining dough piece.

Working with 1 cookie at a time, brush imprints with melted white chocolate. Sprinkle colored sugar generously over chocolate. Let stand until chocolate sets, about 2 hours. Shake off excess colored sugar. (Can be made ahead. Store in airtight container at room temperature up to 1 week, or freeze up to 1 month.)

Upcoming District Events:

April 25-27, 2014 District 7360 Conference Breinigsville PA

Please visit these sites regularly:

District 7360: http://www.district7360.org/

DT LH website: http://www.rotaryclintoncountypa.org/

DT LH Face book: Rotary Club of Downtown Lock Haven

Bottom Line: What is the Council on Legislation?

Answer: Every three years, Rotarians meet at the Council on Legislation to review and vote on proposed legislation. The Council gives us a voice in how our organization is governed. Each Rotary district sends a representative to the Council. Representatives deliberate and act upon all proposed enactments and resolutions. Enactments seek to change Rotary's constitutional documents, and resolutions express an opinion or make a recommendation to the RI Board. The RI Board reviews and acts on resolutions adopted by the Council and items referred to the Board. The next Council convenes in April 2016.

Next Week's Question? How is legislation proposed to the Council?

Answer in the next "The Downtowner!"