



The Newsletter of the

Rotary Club of Dover, NH since 1924

Zoom Meetings: Wednesdays at 12:00 pm

April 21, 2021 - Zoom Meeting

Program: Community Giving Recipients

ommunity Giving Chair Jay S, introduced representatives of agencies that recently received grants from the Rotary Club of Dover, NH.

Maria Ayer, Riverside Rest Home

Maria thanked Rotary for funding a project at Riverside to repair a footbridge on a community trail used by staff to take wheel-chair bound residents on walks. This project has the potential for some hands-on Rotary action depending on the scope of the project and the approval of a wetlands review. Asked about dogs on the trail? Yes dogs are allowed.

Katy Cox, Dover Parents Music Club, co-treasurer

The music club supports all music programs, the color guard, staff, instruments and uniforms. Funding from Dover Rotary will be used to purchase new marching band uniforms to replace current 22-year old uniforms. Kathy thanked Rotary for its support over the years and for donating the Rotary trailer.

Linda Lorrey, United Way's Leadership Giving Officer

Linda thanked Rotary for its donation to this year's **8th Annual Baby Shower** serving over 200 expectant and new families in the

Greater Seacoast area. New and soon to be moms will receive gift cards to help purchase items for their babies and a month's supply of diapers and wipes. Following an event on May 8, Baby Shower participants will also attend virtual events to connect families to local agencies.

Upcoming meetings/events:

April 28 - Rotary Comedy Club (get your jokes ready to share)

May 1: Community Food Drive, 9 am to noon, parking lot next to Tucker's Restaurant.

Pledge: All

Moment of Reflection - What is your Rotary Happy?

4 Way Test + 1: All

Rotary Moment:

Paul Harris Birthday - Apr. 19.

Guests: Katy Cox, Linda Lorrey, Jamie Stevens, Larry McCullough

Today's newsletter submitted by Noreen B.

Jamie Stevens - Dover Youth Softball

The non-profit group supports females 4-16 years at their site formerly known as the location for Dover South Little League near Maglaras Park. They depend on sponsorships to maintain the facility and are currently rehabbing the concession stand. The Dover Rotary donation will help "preserve the asset for many years to come."

Larry McCullough, Pinetree Institute

Pres. Gregg introduced Larry to discuss the club's second donation in support of Adverse Childhood Experiences or ACEs training.

Larry is "incredibly grateful" for the financial and emotional support and the influence of Rotarians in the community. Twenty percent of the ACES train-the-trainers are Rotarians and he is "happy to be on this journey together." Through the ACEs project, over 1,000 community members received training. Trainer and Rotarian Cate R. said the program has been highly satisfying. Their goals are to prevent ACEs, provide resiliency and support and to stop asking the question - What's wrong? and instead ask, What happened?

Announcements:

Foundation - Jim M. asked Rotarians to consider making a donation to the Foundation in any amount "There's no limit and no minimum." Thanks to the Foundation and a District Grant, Dover Rotary was able to fund the Bike Rack project.

Bicycle Racks – Gregg, Jim and any other biker Rotarians will soon get together for a tour of the bike racks and photo ops. Date TBD.

Community Gardens Program in Dover – Jim. M. reported Rebecca J. and Yulia R. have agreed to chair the Community Garden project.

April Board Meeting:

By-Law Change Recommendation: The By-law committee recommended a change in the By-laws to clearly define the position of Vice President and term limits. A red-line version of the By-laws was distributed to the membership for review. A vote to approve will be held at the meeting on May 5, 2021.

Future Meetings: The Board is currently considering the format (in person, remote, or hybrid) and location for meetings beginning in July. All suggestions are welcome.

District Training: Five zoom meetings are scheduled over the next weeks - please consider attending one of the sessions

Fines & Happy Bucks: next week **Birthdays: April** Peter W. Apr. 3 Jay S. Apr. 4 Bob D. Apr. 7 **Birthdays:** May Ute L. May 22 Kalina L. May 23 Ron R. May 29 **Anniversaries: April** Ken P. 13 years **Anniversaries: May** Ken M. 9 years Bob R. 32 years Doug G. 4 years Ian O. 2 years Marion C. 31 years Malcolm M. 39 years Betsey AP 21 years Wil D. 39 years Terrie H. 6 years

District Conference: The zoom event will be held on **Friday, June 4 and Saturday June 5**. Mark your calendars. Marion C. is chairing the event for the District.

Club Committee Reports:

Golf Committee Update: Kathy F. - So far 20 golfers have signed up, \$2,300 in sponsorships - we need 80 golfers and more sponsors!

International: Tom D. thanked all who completed the International survey. He will be scheduling a meeting with the committee to review the results.

Bingo: Jerry D. - The committee will meet next Wed. after the regular meeting.

Vocational Grant: Ron R. is heading a committee of four Rotarians to develop a scholarship-type grant for hands-on, vocation trades to help pay for tools and/or training.

Grants Committee: Jay S. is reviewing several applications for the next round of grants.

Youth Services: Phil R. noted RYLA will only be available for one student from each club this year. Interact has a new advisor - Kathy Spencer. Melissa L. reported the Student of the Month Program will begin again in the Fall.

Scholarships: Norm H. is reaching out to local schools.

Rotary Gardens: Noreen B. - Planting will be held on May 22, weather permitting.

Upcoming Activities/Service Projects

Don't Trash Dover Day: Yulia R. - Saturday, **April 24, 9:30 – 10:30,** at Garrison School, bags, and pick-up sticks provided. Bring gloves. People break up into smaller groups and go off in different directions.

Spring Food Drive: May 1st, Parking lot next to Tucker's. 9 a.m - noon.

ROTARY'S 4-WAY TEST of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?