



## Aug. 10, 2022 – Broadway & Zoom Meeting, 12:15

President Megan K. welcomed members, guests and speakers to the greatest Rotary in the universe!

**Thank You:** Melissa for lunch pick-up.

### Program: Nathania Sitiwatijana Classification Talk

Born and raised in Philippines, Nathania came to US at age 13, first to California, then as an adult to NYC where she worked for CitiBank. Her grandparents were already living in California. The family got a call that grandpa was on life support; they packed up and immediately flew to California and she stayed. Nathania has two sisters, one lives in Philippines. She is married and has two boys, 3 years old and 22 months. Nathania met her husband at a club when she went on vacation to Las Vegas. He proposed 5 days later and they got married two weeks later in NY. For a while they had a long distance marriage, then she moved to Las Vegas.

Why Las Vegas to New Hampshire? Water is drying up in Lake Mead and she's not a fan of gambling/drinking/lifestyle there. Nathania's husband grew up in Vegas. He is half British/half Thai. Used to be professional boxer/fighter, now retired. He was famous in the boxing/martial arts world. He lost only two fights, one of which was fixed.

During her career in banking and finance, commercial lending, she has worked for virtually every major bank. Now TD Bank in the Portsmouth office, specializing in lending over \$1 million, target \$5-7 million. Nathania has just been accepted on the Board of the Children's Museum and she also helps out at Lydia's House of Hope, where she teaches.

Bilingual? Used to speak 4 languages, but now mostly lost. Trying to teach kids Tagalog.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

### Meetings:

**Aug. 17, 2022** – Back to School, Betsey AP

**Together on Tuesday – 5:30 pm - Aug. 23:** Picnic on the Patio, Gregg D.'s home, 31 Bittersweet Lane, So. Berwick

**Pledge:** Violet Pellman, Nick's daughter

**4-way test:** Cindi.

**Guest:** Violet Pellman & Katrina Breen

*Today's newsletter authored by Jim V.*

Nathania grew up in Manila, a very sheltered life, strictly raised by nuns. Her mom made her aware of helping others; she still lives there and is very active in fostering kids. What drew you to Rotary? Time to settle down, get involved in community.

### **Announcements:**

Friday is last **Cochecho Arts Festival** – Rotary sponsored event - need someone to introduce Rotary and 5 people to sell raffle tickets.

**Bingo:** Need help this week – need one ticket setter 5-7 and 7-9.  
Call Ken Plante at 603-781-3947

**Paracord Bracelet auction, made by Violet – proceeds benefit Rotary**  
Rotary Colors: \$25 bid from Tom, Glow in the Dark: \$25 bid from Beth

**Garden Update:** Noreen B. reported the garden needs some sprucing up. She will be there at 9 am Friday. Melissa L. and Cathy B. offered to help.

**Kids Closet Project:** Gregg D. meeting today with Christine Boston, talked with Bill Harbron yesterday. Will take some work – there are many around the country.

**Food Drive** – Julie H. suggested a collaboration with Rumps for Life (run by Mike Rumps), kindergarten teacher in Dover. Idea is to do a big food drive with young kids. Would like some time at a future meeting for a discussion.

**Shred-it:** Saturday, October 10, 8:30 set-up, 9 - Noon at St. John's

**Together on Tuesday:** August 23 on Gregg's patio, starting 5:30, ending ???  
31 Bittersweet Lane, South Berwick. People can bring salads & desserts, maybe some chairs, tent set up in case of rain.

### **Happy Bucks**

- **Nick P.** - proud of Violet, going to visit son in CO, but oldest daughter can't go, due to broken foot
- **Dave D.** – happy for grandkids in Big Apple
- **Nathania S.** – got accepted by Children's Museum board, and her sister's successful delivery
- **Gregg D.** – for 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and a great trip to Toronto

### **Katrina Breen: Rotary Scholarship Winner**

Katrina gave a brief update of her successful first year completed at Rochester Institute of Technology. She is very grateful for the scholarship and will continue to update the Rotary club as she completes the 5-year program to become a PA.

**50/50 drawing raffle winner** – Frank C. drew the wrong card – the pot grows!!!

**August Birthdays:**

Marion C.	Aug. 2
Michael C.	Aug. 5
Sheila T.	Aug. 8
Rob R.	Aug. 10
Frank C.	Aug. 17

**August Anniversaries:**

Nancy B.	29 years
Melissa L.	15 years
Stacey K.	6 years