



## Dec. 14, 2022 – Broadway & Zoom Meeting, 12:15

President Megan welcomed members to the greatest Rotary in the universe!

### Program: Teresa Robison Classification Talk

Teresa began with a question. “When you meet someone who is a pilot, how do you know? Don’t worry they’ll tell you,” she said.

Planes and flying have been part of Theresa’s life for over 50 years, starting in Feb. 1972 when she turned 17 and got her solo license, her commercial license at 18 followed by an international license, flying instructor certification, and float plane and tech instrument ratings. In 1977 she trained as a flight officer at Central Washington University, worked in Cordova, Alaska from 1980-86 flying float planes as well as “planes with wheels” to service fishing fleets. She kept flying through a BS degree in Management and a Master’s in Initial Teaching, eventually becoming a Professor at Central Washing U’s Dept. of Aviation where she served from 1998 to 2022.

Teresa’s favorite planes included a 1929 Curtis Robin and an open cockpit Air Camper that required some serious leather and layers to fly in cold weather. She joked her first husband who passed away a few years ago, loved flying a little more than he loved her.

The 65-year old national airline mandatory requirement, she noted, coupled with COVID realities, pay cuts and the costs of training have hampered the industry and resulted in a pilot shortage. The costs today of training are in excess of \$50,000 not including the cost of a college degree. A first year pilot may only earning \$15,000 and double that in year two, causing many young pilots to live in crash pads with several others. Senior pilots earn about \$200,000/yr.

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

#### Meetings:

**Dec. 28: No meeting**

**Jan. 4 – Surprise at Meeting**

**Guests:** none

**Pledge:** Frank C.

**4-Way Test:** Gregg D.

*Today’s newsletter authored by Noreen B.*



How did she get to Dover? She married another “retired” pilot, Steve, in a the chapel at Arlington this past summer. They both continue to fly today. Gregg D. asked why she keeps flying. “It’s fun,” she said.

### **Announcements:**

BOD meeting:

1. The Board agreed to extend the Bingo contract with Durham Great Bay Rotary another six months through Rotary year end.
2. The Board agreed to participate in the Dover 400 Parade, using the “Tales Van” Bookmobile and handing out children’s books. Other ideas are welcome!

**Willand Warming Center** is seeking donated meals – more info to come.

**Bingo:** last week 70 players/20 boxes, more help needed this week.

### **Happy Bucks:**

**Kathy F.** : \$10 - \$8 for 8 performances in 7 days and \$2 for the \$2000 raised at the Holiday Concert to support Dover Friendly Kitchen and 68 Hours of Hunger.

**Gregg D.:** Thanks for voting for him in the Ugly sweater contest - ??? (he did not win)

**Jon N.** :Happy to have visited with friend from the Coast Guard

**Norm H.** Happy his daughter is home for Christmas

**50/50 Raffle:** \$13 pot, Noreen had the ticket but picked the wrong card.

### **December Birthdays:**

Dave D. Dec. 10

Nancy B. Dec. 11

Frank B. Dec. 15

Heather B. Dec. 16

Jerry D. Dec. 29

Cathy B. Dec. 30