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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DOVER,
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.MEETS WEDNESDAYS AT 12:15 PM
GOSS BUILDING 121 BROADWAY, DOVER, NH

January 8, 2020

Submitted by Jim V.

Pledge: Darianne (guest)

Invocation: Theresa (guest)

4-Way Test + 1: Peter W.

Greeter: Doug L.

Guest: Tom Zimmerman, **Speakers:** Theresa Tozier & Darianne Zielinski of Lydia's House of Hope

50/50: Jerry D., King of Diamonds - Pot grows!!!

Announcements:

- Thank you to all that donated and helped with the shopping and distribution of the Gift of Warmth in Helping the Homeless through Community Action Partnership (CAP) & Dover Fire Department
- Thank you to those that were able to attend our Rotary Holiday Get Together at the Biehl's home – FUN!
- Dictionary Project – Thurs., Jan. 9 at 8:30am at St. Mary Academy
- Rotary & Toastmasters are now working together
- WASH – Water, Sanitation & Hygiene projects
- Let's celebrate the Dover Chamber 2020 Award winners – Fri., Jan. 17 (Marion, Phil & Donna Rinaldi) \$90.00/person
- Mark your calendars – 5th Wednesday in January will be held at CAP, 5-7pm
- Report from our December BOD Meeting
 - Starting to develop a Satellite Club – more details to follow
 - Approval of \$1,000 for Gift of Warmth
 - Approval of \$520 for Pease Greeters books for the homecoming of our troops, local author Elaine Case
 - Approval of recommendation to provide \$5,000 in support of the ACE's training request as part of our Mental Health & Suicide Prevention platform
- Where is Miles? Thank you to Jim V. & Carlo. Miles will be going on a Caribbean cruise with Melissa.

- BINGO Report
 - On New Year's Day, we hosted 121 players and sold 17 boxes
 - This week is Team 4

PROGRAM - Lydia's House of Hope

Lydia's House of Hope is a place for women and children to put their lives back together. Theresa Tozier described the history of the program, from humble beginnings in her basement to the current 25 person home purchased in Somersworth 3 years ago. It is a 19th century building that was decrepit. They raised \$450,000, a thousand volunteers donated time and businesses donated equipment to completely renovate.

There are thirty-plus programs for residents who follow a four-phase plan that ends with moving out and independence. Theresa shared a number of amazing success stories of lives changed and generous donors. She expressed particular appreciation for Gov. Sununu who has been supportive by coming to the facility and opening doors when needs are identified.

With all this success, Lydia's House of Hope is expanding. Turbocam is donating renovation of the attic to house offices. They hope to finish paying off their mortgage this year, buy an apartment building so that women/families don't move back into public housing, and establish Paul's House as a similar facility for men.

Lydia's House of Hope is named for a 9 year old girl whose parents funded the program with a transformative gift.

For more information visit www.lydiashousenh.org.

Lydia's House of Hope is home to our unique 365-day program which has been designed to equip and develop foundational life skills for our residents. Many of our residents do not have the tool set to bring themselves out of poverty and provide better lives for themselves or their children. Things that we take for granted, like budgeting, self-reliance, personal accountability, and responsibility are not part of how many of our residents have been brought up. We change old behaviors and ways of living, and teach new skills and habits that are learned, put into practice, and made a part of everyday life.

CLUB BUSINESS

Gift of Warmth Report from Jim M - \$1,000 to buy supplies for local homeless people. Ocean State Job Lot gave us manager's 20% discount. Lots and lots of warming clothing and supplies and also gift cards from Dunkin' Donuts – dropped off at CAP and at Dover Fire Department.

ACEs – Adverse Childhood Experiences

Self-inflicted behaviors (e.g. drugs, alcohol, suicide) and actions are now the leading cause of death among Americans, passing disease. Our collaborative program with other area Rotary Clubs will follow a very successful model from Michigan and other states. Portsmouth Rotary has donated \$10K, we are looking for \$15K more from other clubs and a \$30K match from communities.

Vote to approve BOD recommendation of \$5K to support ACEs training: Moved by Jim M, second by Ron R. Passed unanimously.

Fines

Melissa for blocking traffic with parking and Jim M for squealing on her.

Fundraising – BINGO Report on Status of Bingo - Jerry Daley.

1. Coverage – people not volunteering on a regular basis.
2. # of players decreasing; attempting to boost # of players, revitalize
3. Commitment of hall owner – equipment aging
4. Dependent on one person for managing, no succession plan

BINGO Committee began looking at options last February, specifically Dover Bowl. Approached by Dover Bowl last fall – then put together a pros & cons list.

- Concerns were losing people, smaller venue, alcohol served, impact on other charities at current location.
- Positives were lower rent initially, fewer expenses, food available, manager on duty

Conditions after negotiations:

- Retain Thursday
- Retain complete control of gaming
- \$4/player as opposed to \$5/player we pay now
- Share e-ticket profits that they have there and 10 days of Poker Profits
- Back-up manager for Sheila
- Snacks available and people could order food, deliver to table
- Volunteers to pay 50% for snacks
- Hall will hold 180 players – average should be over 100 players
- Plenty of parking

Issues in November presentation to Board;

- Board authorized confidential discussions
- Handicapped access is difficult – different entrance
- Other charities could be affected
- Needed to do some checking with charities

Current Proposal:

- \$4/player for up to three years
- Endeavor to be “premiere” BINGO hall in area – expansion of facility

- Complete control, shared e-ticket & poker revenues
- Dover Bowl to pick up any cost of exiting our current lease-current lease requires 90-day notice – that would begin February 1, with expectation of leaving earlier.

The Rest of the Story

After all this was decided and ready for today's meeting, Sheila received a message from the current owner of Seacoast Bingo that all leases will be terminated as of 3/31/2020. Now we are looking at our last game on January 23, to be at Dover Bowl the following week.

Other charities also likely to move.

Owner of Dover Bowl is Mark Bowen.

Changes are anticipated

- No more early birds
- Start at 6:30 rather than 7:00

Vote to approve the BOD recommendation to move Bingo to Dover Bowl - Moved by Jim V., seconded by Ken M. Passed unanimously.

Regarding alcohol, some sponsors allow, others do not. Dover Bowl would take responsibility for problems.

Vote to allow alcohol on a trial period of six months for the players only - Moved by Gregg D., seconded by Ken P. Passed unanimously.

By acclamation, appreciation to those who worked on this proposal.

Birthdays: January

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| Clark, Dick | Jan 04 |
| Plante, Ken | Jan 05 |
| Raymond, Kevin | Jan 13 |
| Rafferty, Cate | Jan 29 |

Anniversaries: January

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| Drucker, Dave | 6 years |
| Stephens, Jay | 28 years |

Upcoming Programs:

Jan. 15 - Greg Walker, Wentworth-Douglass Hospital

Jan. 22 - Carol Bitov, Garrison Players

Jan. 29 - Evening Meeting 5-7, CAP, Middle School Student of the Month
Program, Buffet Dinner will be served

Feb. 5 - Larry McCullough Pine Tree Institute

Feb. 12 - NH League of Women Voters

Feb. 19 - Jackie Abramain, Global Cadence
Feb. 26 - Amy's Treat, Nick Pellman

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?

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

MAKE UP OPPORTUNITIES

Monday:

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| Exeter | Exeter Inn | 12:15 PM |
| Rochester | Governor's Inn | 12:15 PM |
| Wells, ME | The Bull "N Claw | 7:30 AM |

Tuesday:

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| Concord | Cat 'n Fiddle Restaurant | 12:15 PM |
| Hampton | Ashworth By the Sea | 7:30 AM |
| Kittery, ME | Kittery Estates | 7:30 AM |
| Kittery After Hours | Weathervane | 5:00 PM |

Wednesday:

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| Biddeford-Saco, ME | Captain's Gallery Rest. | 12:15 PM |
| Durham Great Bay | Flag Hill Winery, Lee | 7:30 AM |
| Ogunquit, ME | The Old Village Inn | 12 noon |

Thursday:

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| Kennebunk, ME | Boat Yard Restaurant | 12:15 PM |
| Seacoast Rotary | Portsmouth Gas Light | 7:30 AM |
| Portsmouth | Portsmouth Country Club | 12:15 PM |
| Sanford- | | |
| Springvale, ME | Town Club@Fleet Bank | 7:30 AM |
| South Berwick/ Eliot, ME | SB Community Center | 7:15 AM |

Friday:

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| Bow | Trinity Tavern | 7:30 AM |
| Portland, ME | Portland Club | 7:15 AM |
| York, ME | York Harbor Inn | 7:30 AM |

Make-up on the web: www.roti.org or www.rotaryclubone.org