



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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July 8, 2020 - Rotary Club Zoom Meeting

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Welcome to the Rotary Club of Dover – the greatest Rotary Club in the Universe –
Onward and Upward!

Pledge: All

Rotary Moment: Using Science of Resilience to Strengthen Rotary, Jenny Stotts, District 6690 membership chair, May 2020 - (1) Connect: Check in with each other.; (2) Perspective: challenges of today are not a reflection of your future; (3) Wellness: promote and prioritize taking care of yourselves; (4) Purpose: plan service opportunities that you are able to accomplish; (5) Gratitude: share thanks and extend gratitude to club, community and partners.

4-Way Test +1: All

Welcome to our Guest Speakers: Dover Mayor Bob Carrier, 400th Anniversary Chair, Kevin McEneaney, Committee Member, Elizabeth Burr presenting plans for Dover's 400th Anniversary

Program: Dover's 400th Celebration

The 400th Anniversary committee members updated the club on the status of the 400th celebration. The PowerPoint presentation is attached to Bing for the overview of the work to date.

The City will celebrate the 400th during the entire year of 2023. The focus is not just a “party” but a year of celebration with an emphasis of focusing on the future. The committee is working with other organizations and events that are already part of the fabric of the Dover community to incorporate those events into the 400th. For example, the Arts Festival, Apple Harvest, etc. The committee is also working on something with the DHS class of 2023 to mark the occasion. The “big” celebration will occur over the 4th of July.

The committee is an ad hoc committee of the city with 17 members currently serving. They welcome additional volunteers to lead events and help with the planning. The budget is tentatively \$500,000 with \$144,000 raised to date.

The Bing writer is confident she heard Peter W. volunteer for the Rotary Float!!! He said he has amazing float building skills and previous experience. Tom D. is also in the running for a 400th beard contest. Perhaps Rotary will take the lead on this project.

A website will be launching shortly but, in the meantime, information can be found at the City of Dover site: <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/dovers-400th-anniversary-committee/index.html>

Or like them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/dover400/>

Announcements:

Upcoming Meetings:

- July 15th, Club Strategy Session on Fundraising Alternatives (ZOOM); a brainstorm session to explore alternative ways to fundraise, club engagement and activities.
- July 22nd, "Picnic in the Park" Rotary Pavilion and Gardens, Tony McManus- History of Henry Law Park;
- July 29th, TBD
- Thirsty Tuesday – July 21st Location Cochecho Country Club Patio (weather permitting) We will be limited to 30 people to allow proper social distancing. We will need a head count to allow for distancing and food will be ordered from the menu. Please look for an email to respond so we know how many can attend. If more than 30 then we will need to do shifts.
- Food Delivery Sign Up – Rotary is continuing to support CAPSC with addressing food insecurity. Jim V. A Sign Up Genius Link has been sent to everyone by Marion C. What we do: bring food from First Parish to CAPSC office each Tuesday then pick up bins on Thursday. The process takes less than 30 minutes. Our schedule goes to July and we are looking at August. Ken Plante offered to send a van. Here's the link to the SignUp for food delivery. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4daeaf2ba46-first>
- Meet our Rotarians – A new profile to highlight Rotarians weekly posted on social media, BING and website. A series of 7 questions plus a picture (or two). One more way to interact with community.

Melissa L. is the first Rotarian to be featured (see below). Kathy L will be next.

- BACK to School- meeting on Thursday. Covid is presenting a challenge for our program and the committee is looking at ways to adapt. The committee will update the club on the supply list, what kids will need to be successful and how we are going to do the BBQ.
- Goal actions:
 - The club will be highlighting goals of the club at each meeting. The first one is the new grant schedule.
 - Quarterly Grant Schedule-new policy in place for quarterly cycle July, August, September- grant applications submitted by 9/10 for first cycle consideration. Send letter to make people aware of new process. Jay is sending out letters to those that have applied in the past.
- Miles The Rotary Moose
 - He is at Melissa's house.
- Collection Jar- we need to begin to get back to "normal" so Gregg is asking everyone to start collecting their fines and happy bucks in a Rotary "jar." He recommends your beer glass from the 95th (or wine glass from the 90th). Collect your money and send it to Phil. Better yet, send via Venmo when Phil and Melissa set it up next week! Jim V started with \$24 and Kathy matched him
- Foundation Report- we are waiting for the award notification for our bike rack project.

Fines - Sergeant at Arms Kathy L.

- Tom was warned he was going to need a bigger jar this year....
- If your initials are TD, owe a buck
- If you have not written BING, you owe a buck

Spotlight: Meet our Past President and Asst. Gov. Melissa Lesniak



How long have you been in Rotary?

I have been in Rotary and a Rotarian with the Rotary Club of Dover since August of 2007.

My favorite Rotary moments:

That is hard as there have been so many great moments in Rotary. I love when we read to the students and give away the dictionaries in the local elementary schools. One moment during last year's reading at Horne Street School, I was with another Rotarian and she introduced me as the President of the Rotary Club of Dover. One little boy raised his hand and said, "How can you be President, you are a girl". Another moment was when we hand out the dictionaries to the 3rd graders in the Dover schools and as our Rotarians know, I am the Rotarian that always asks the kids if they know what the "longest" word in the dictionary is. It just goes

on from there. They love it!

Where do I live and where did I grow up:

I have lived in Dover for the the past 3 years and for the past 46 years before, I lived in my hometown of Rollinsford. I currently own 3 rental properties and recently bought my "forever condo" in South Dover, where I can enjoy time with family & friends and enjoy tending to my fabulous plants and flowers.

My Hobbies:

I love so many things, yet my favorite 3 are looking for sea-glass by the ocean, whether it be local or while vacationing, fitness training and competing against other women in local body-building contests and spending time with my little sister, Kristen.

My Business Profession:

For the past 15 years, I have helped families in New Hampshire and Maine buy, sell or rent their homes. Real estate is my job, yet it is a passion of mine to help others in answering questions or hand-holding them through the process of real estate.

Something my fellow Rotarians don't know about me:

I have been a BIG sister with Big Brother Big Sister for the past 22 years and have mentored and helped 4 young girls turn into beautiful and successful women. Currently, I am a BIG sister to 12 year old Kristen.

Final words:

I love where I live, work and play!

Next week's spotlight - Kathy L.

Birthdays: July

Ed H. July 22

Ram R. July 24

Norm H. July 25

Anniversaries: July

Dick C. 36 years

Jerry D. 36 years

Joe L. 40 years

Bob L. 7 years

Doug L. 2 years

Nick P. 9 years



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.