



June 21, 2023 – In-person & zoom Meeting, 12:15

President Megan welcomed everyone to The Rotary Club of Dover NH and thanked Marion and Harry C. for picking up lunch.

Thank You – Tina Saltmarsh from My Breast Cancer Support group thanked the club for our \$1,500 donation to fund their purple patient bag project for newly diagnosed breast cancer patients. The bags provide small comfort gifts, a journal, water bottle and resource information. The Dover club’s donation will be used for patients of Wentworth-Douglass Hospital’s Seacoast Cancer Center.

Program: Changeover – Thanks Megan/Welcome Kathy

New President Kathy F. thanked outgoing President Megan K. for her “amazing job” as the 2022-23 President of the RCD. She handed Megan her Past President pin and, in turn, Megan gave Kathy her President pin. Marion presented a gift to Megan for her service that included a gift card to Patty Bs.

Kathy unfurled the new Rotary theme flag for 2023-24 – **“Create Hope in the world.”** Kathy is the 100th President of the Rotary Club of Dover and the first person to serve as president more than once. She last served in 2006-7.

During the coming year she hopes to attract new members, engage current members and collaborate with other Rotary clubs, such as, the clubs currently involved in Bingo – South Berwick Eliot, Durham Great Bay and Rochester clubs.

Pres. Kathy also plans to:

- Visit other clubs in the district to “discover what we can do together.”
- Change up lunch meetings by having pizza once a month, a potluck once a month and other varied menus.
- Create an event calendar and more marketing materials

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Meetings:

June 28: Classification: David B. and Brian H.

July 5: No Meeting

July 12: DG official visit

July 19: Classification: Steve P. and Montana F.

Events:

June 24: District Changeover 11-2, Westbrook

June 24: Gundalow Trip, 6:30

Pledge: Jerry D.

4-Way Test: Montana F.

Guests: Rotarian from the Raymond Club and friend of Marion c.

Today’s newsletter authored by Noreen B.

- Plan a 100 yr. celebration to include a t-shirt listing the top 10 Rotary contributions over the years
- Assist with the District Conference in May 2023 to be held in Dover
- Re institute *Together on Tuesdays* beginning with an Aug. 22nd gathering at Gregg D.'s home
- Hold *Coffee with Kathy* events to talk with members about Rotary
- Hold more hands-on projects to include a beautification project at Waldron Court with Dover Mainstreet and a Food Kit Preparation Program

Kathy noted her door (phone and email too) will always be open to members.

Megan thanked the membership for everyone's help. She appreciated the support, especially from Marion, during a very busy year when, at times, she felt "life and time" got away from her.

Announcements:

DOVER 400 Parade: Marion C. asked members – family, friends too - to consider volunteering for the Dover 400 Parade to help distribute children's books along the parade route. We will be using the Traveling Tales Van, recently refurbished by Dover Rotary as a base of operations along the route. The parade is scheduled for **3:00 PM on Sunday, July 2nd** and will be gathering at the Chamber of Commerce office on Central Avenue.

District Changeover: Marion C. will be accepting the gavel from Claudia Frost as our new District Governor on Saturday, June 24th at 11:00 AM, 76 Sawyer Road, Westbrook, ME. This is quite an honor for Marion and for Dover Rotary. We will be carpooling to the event and will leave Gregg D's house at 31 Bittersweet Lane, S. Berwick if you would like to join us. The event is no charge, and we urge you to join us to welcome Marion to her Governorship.

Bingo: Last week we hosted 140 players and expect the same or more this week.

International Committee: The BOD approved a donation of \$2,500 to support a water project in Columbia headed by the Bridgton/Lakes Region club.

Happy Dollars:

Kathy F. \$5 for training a replacement, successful jazz event, Megan, the district celebration for Marion as DG and for her birthday.

Cathy B. for participating with Nick at the Dover Adult Learning Center graduation to present 2 Rotary scholarships and to request readers for the July 1st block party to read Frederick Douglass speech at Waldron Court – 50 readers needed – contact Cathy.

Marion C. \$10 for Kathy F – the 100th president and 13th female president since 1993. She also noted our club has had 5 District Governors and she will be the first female DG from our Club.

Jay S. \$10 for a VERY LONG happy buck that involved his granddaughter's graduation in Virginia and how not to travel there – due to flight delays, they ended up driving to VA and arrived at the ceremony with 30 minutes to spare.

Gregg D. for Jay's happy dollar being longer than the graduation ceremony and for Megan, Kathy and Marion

Tom D. for complaining about the bar making him take education classes online just months before he retires – we think.

Doug L. Happy he has been retired for 23 years and thankful for his ex-neighbors (The Biehls) who invited him and his wife Lorrie to stay in their home until their house was finished – turned out to be about 7 weeks.

Meg K. for a busy but great year and for her upcoming trip to Disneyworld.

Noreen B. for Megan, Kathy, Marion and Doug L.

50/50 Raffle: Kathy F. drew the chance at the Ace of Spades but no luck!

June Birthdays:

Jim V. Jun 01

Mike B. Jun 15

Kathy F. Jun 24

Cindy I. Jun 28

June Anniversaries:

Sheila T. 6 years

Phil R. 39 years

Rebecca J. 7 years