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The Newsletter of the

Rotary Club of Dover, NH since 1924

Zoom Meetings: Wednesdays at 12:00 pm

## March 10, 2021 - Zoom Meeting

### Program: Mandy Lancaster, Paul Staller, Waypoint Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs

*Bios: Mandy Lancaster, Program Manager for Waypoint's Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs, has a myriad of professional experiences with families in crisis, youth in foster care and adjudicated youth, and women experiencing chronic homelessness. She has also worked as a street outreach worker, and a runaway and homeless youth social worker.*

**R**unaway and Homeless Youth Program Manager Mandy Lancaster, highlighted Waypoint's outreach efforts in the Tri-City/Seacoast Region for youth ages 12-22 with a goal to "minimize the risk of exploiting young people and minimize the risk of young people experiencing chronic homelessness." They develop relationships that will build trust by providing shelter, food and connections with healthcare and mental health providers. When asked how the program builds trust, she said, "We're relentless ... we just take our time."

Imagine what it's like to be young, homeless, afraid, cold, lost and hungry. Paul Staller, Development Dir. at Waypoint, invited Rotarians to experience homelessness for one night - at Waypoint's **Sleep Out** on Mar. 26 at 8 p.m. The fundraising event will help support Waypoint's soon to open Drop-in Center for homeless youth in Rochester, serving the Seacoast region. The center will provide a pantry, shower, laundry facilities, a shuttle between Dover, Somersworth and Rochester and referrals for case management and therapeutic services.

### Upcoming meetings:

**Mar. 17:** Club Assembly

**Mar. 24:** Peace Corps (by club members)

**Mar. 31:** Jill Houser speaking about vocational training

**Pledge and 4-Way Test:** All

**Rotary Prayer:** Reflection the importance of women in your life in celebration of International Women's Day.

**Rotary Moment:** Celebrate Women in Rotary: Marion C. who will be DG 2022-23 and the first female RI Pres. Jennifer Jones 2022-23.

**Guests:** Ryan Levasseur, Mandy Lancaster and Paul Staller

*Today's newsletter submitted by Noreen B.*

According to their website, Waypoint originated in NH in 1850 as the oldest children’s charitable organization in the state known as the Manchester City Missionary Society. Since that time, through mergers and restructuring the agency became the NH Children’s Aid and Protection Services, Child and Family Services in 1967 and, in 2018, changed its name to Waypoint. Serving 9,000 children and their families, statewide, the agency’s mission is to empower people of all ages through an array of human services and advocacy. *For more information visit: [waypointnh.org](http://waypointnh.org).*

**Announcements:**

- **Food Delivery:** More needed: See Sign-up Genius
- **Foundation:** If you make a contribution to the Rotary foundation by the end of March, the club will match up to \$250 with points toward a Paul Harris Fellow.
- **Golf Tournament:** Kathy F. noted the committee is meeting weekly as it plans for the **June 28** tournament at Cochecho C.C. She hopes to have a new tournament website and scheduling system set up by next week.
- **Read Across America:** Seven sessions have been set up.
- **International:** A survey will be going out to the club regarding our interests in various international projects (once Tom D. returns from Aruba).
- **BINGO:** Pending Board approval, the club will resume running BINGO on April 1st. A Bingo survey went out last week - only 15 responses so far. **Please return the bingo survey ASAP.**
- **Dover Mental Health Alliance:** Three Safe Places established to date: Arts in Reach, Teen Center and Dover Public Library.
- **Membership:** Marion reported new committee members include Megan K., Joe L., Ion O., Cara S. Currently 58 active members, 3 honorable members and two exploring membership.
- **Grants/Giving Committee:** The committee has reviewed six proposals. One has been referred to the BOD and four have been approved: Dover Parents Music Club, Riverside Rest Home to replace a footbridge, the annual United Way Baby Shower and Dover Youth Softball League.

**Happy Bucks:**

**Gregg D.** \$2 for 2 covid shots  
**Nancy B.** \$5 for getting her shot in Loudon and only waiting 3 hours and 2 minutes. She took a book and was glad the doctor who gave her the shot was someone she knew and she arrived home safely.  
**Cate R.** Happy for extraordinary care her niece received at the Seacoast’s Leading Medical Center for an emergency appendectomy.

**Birthdays: March**

Bob R.	Mar. 5
Laurie W.	Mar. 11
Naila A.	Mar. 14
Jim M.	Mar. 26

**Anniversaries: March**

Gregg D.	5 years
Ron R.	11 years
Megan K.	1 year
Ute L.	10 years
Gary D.	20 years
Jim V.	10 years
Mike B.	16 years
Kevin R.	10 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?