



# THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF DOVER, NH SINCE 1924

MEETS WEDNESDAYS AT 12:15 PM
Goss Building 121 Broadway, Dover, NH

Oct. 16, 2019

Submitted by Gregg D.

Greeter: Jim M.

Pledge: Frank B. Invocation: Dick C. 4-Way Test: Kathy F.

Guests: Jill Brooks

Welcome: President Melissa welcomed all to the Rotary Club of Dover, the Greatest

Club in the Universe and to Infinity and Beyond!

#### **Announcements:**

Thank you to all who attended our October Thirsty Tuesday last night at Margaritas. It was an evening of fun and fellowship attended by fellow Rotarians, spouses and friends. Cheers!

The Monarch School of New England has invited Dover Rotarians to their annual Appreciation Breakfast to be held on Tues., Nov. 5. More information will be forthcoming.

Jessica C. has announced the formation of the Christmas Tree Committee for the Dover Festival of Trees to be held Fri., Dec. 6. Jessica will be gathering people for an initial planning meeting soon.

Miles the Rotary Moose traveled with Jim and Pam M. to visit Prince Edward Island. He celebrated Canadian Thanksgiving while there and at least on one occasion was asked to be the designated driver.

## **Committee Reports:**

President Melissa updated the club on this week's Board of Director's meeting. Malcolm M, Marion C. and Melissa will be reviewing and updating the club by-laws to ensure consistency and relevancy of procedures. Changes will be presented to the club as appropriate.

The Nominating Committee will be appointed at the end of October to select a slate of officers and board members for the 2020-21 year. Anyone interested in club leadership should inform President Melissa.

Marion C. reported to the Board on the Rotary Zone institute and club membership was a major topic. We are looking at ways we can expand our membership with satellite clubs and other innovative ideas.

Community Giving Presentations will be done at the club meetings in addition to the presentations at weekly Bingo. This will provide an opportunity for all club members to learn more about the organizations we support.

The Bingo Committee met this past week with Jerry D. reporting that the job descriptions and bingo procedures have been finalized. Also, everyone has signed off on the background check statements and those will be maintained at the hall. We have started staffing volunteers for the weekly games among our own club members again. To date it is working satisfactorily but it will be important for all members to ensure shifts are covered. Special activities to attract Bingo players to the weekly games are being developed and Sheila T. is devising new strategies to provide the players with a unique experience. This week will be Hat Night so everyone working is encouraged to wear their favorite hat. Flyers are also developed and published on social media to promote upcoming Bingo nights.

Interact continues to work on their plans for the Guatemala trip. Kevin R. reported that tickets have been purchased and the club is fundraising for the money need for the projects on which they will be working when they are in Guatemala. The November Calendar raffle is approaching and members can purchase calendars for \$10.00.

New Rotary Badges will be distributed next week. Members will be able to wear their badges at various functions in the community and the old badges will be used at Bingo.

Blue Latitudes will again host a Thanksgiving Dinner for anyone who wishes to attend the day before Thanksgiving, 10:30 AM-3:00PM. They are requesting volunteers to help serve the dinner. Kathy F. spoke highly of the annual dinner and urged people to volunteer.

#### **Foundation Minute:**

Jim M. reminded everyone that October is Polio Awareness Month and we need to continue to support the fight to eradicate polio worldwide. He also explained the Global Grant process to the club and spoke of how ideas surface to become realities. Currently a project idea is being developed regarding vocational avenue of service and promoting vocational development in the hospitality industry. More information will be forthcoming as plans develop.

### **Upcoming Events:**

Wed., Oct 16, 5:15pm, Rotary Playground dedication and picture followed by donor appreciation event at Strafford County Community Action Partnership.

Thur., Oct. 24, World Polio Day

Tues., Nov. 19, Thirsty Tuesday Location TBA

Fri., Dec. 6, Festival of Trees at River Mill

Tues., Dec.17, Holiday Party at Frank and Noreen Biehl's

## Fines:

Donations accepted for World polio Day

## **Program:** Classification Talks:

**Frank Biehl** recounted his days growing up in Niagara Falls area of New York and attending the University of Buffalo where he met many good friends. His social activities got the better of him and school did not go well initially. Fortunately, being social, he journeyed with his friends to a bar one night where he met Noreen. This encounter changed his life as Frank got back on track and rebooted his academic life. He graduated with a degree in Human Resources and went to work for Firestone as an Industrial Relations Trainer in Akron, Ohio.

This was shortly followed by marriage, the pending arrival of their first child, Kevin, and a failed draft physical. He was transferred to DesMoines, Iowa by Firestone but soon found himself laid off when the economy collapsed and trainees were not longer needed. He returned to the Niagara Falls area and a week later went to work for Dunlap Tire & Rubber working in Labor Relations. Realizing his path to a management position would take a few years, Frank looked for a new opportunity. He found Davison Rubber in Dover, NH as head of Human Resources and as Frank reported, the rest is history.

Frank and Noreen settled first in South Berwick. Maine and then in Dover. They found a new home on the Bellamy and paid a whopping \$1.00 for it. However, they had to move it to a new location. They spent years completing the move and rebuilding their home. Meanwhile, Frank served as President of the Dover Rotary, moved on to the Durham Great Bay Rotary Club (also serving as President) while he was renovating his home and has now returned to the Dover club.

Along with their son Kevin, Frank and Noreen have a daughter Shannon and three grandchildren, Derek, Alisha and eight-year-old Samantha. Oh, and a dog Zoe!

**Kathy Fink** led us in an interactive musical activity demonstrating her prowess as a music teacher. She taught us about rhythm and explained her approach has been about active engagement. She explained she was about to take us on a "speed dating version" of her life.

Kathy was born in Cleveland, Ohio and she relayed that her story evolved due to a series of chance encounters that had a profound impact on her life. Kathy grew up around the arts and music. Her Dad was a PHD teaching at Case University and her Mom was an artist. She was initially self-taught on the piano and experienced her

first chance encounter when her Dad was transferred to a post in England. She was practicing her piano in homeroom at her new school when the choir director, her homeroom teacher happened upon her. She then told Kathy that she was to be the new accompanist for the choir...at the age of nine! Kathy began her career that continues to this day.

Back in the states, her Dad's misfortune in running into an anti-Semitic system, led him to a more welcoming community and new job at the University of New Hampshire. Kathy soon became the 6<sup>th</sup> grade chorus accompanist at the Oyster River School. She mentioned that her new Principal was very supportive of the arts. His name was Jerry Daley!

A history teacher then recruited her to help with productions at Hackmatack Playhouse where she was involved in summer stock for many years. When she reached her teen years, she began playing in a rock band. Crossfire was a popular band in the area playing at colleges, ski areas and dance clubs throughout New England. Another chance encounter at a record store in Conway resulted in a relationship with a former roadie. He eventually became Kathy's husband.

Kathy distributed pictures of her Crossfire days and she could easily have been mistaken for Pat Benatar! Unfortunately a record deal never materialized for Crossfire and she soon returned to college, taught piano and started a community music school, The Bell Center for the Arts.

Another chance encounter resulted in her appearance at a Rotary Club of Dover meeting and she was soon thereafter asked to join Rotary. That was 20 years ago and after taking a leave due to work schedules, she has returned to grace our club with her enthusiasm and talents.

## 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**

Monda	ay:		
	Exeter	Exeter Inn	12:15 PM
	Rochester	Governor's Inn	12:15 PM
	Wells, ME	The Bull "N Claw	7:30 AM
Tuesda	ay:		
	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
Wedne	sday:		
	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
Thurso	lay:		
	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	:		
	Bow	Trinity Tavern	7:30 AM
	Portland, ME	Portland Club	7:15 AM
	York, ME	York Harbor Inn	7:30 AM
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