



# The Rotary Clipper

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## OCTOBER MEETINGS

Let me begin by expressing condolences to Grace Connolly and her family for the loss of her sister in an automobile accident. The members of the club are very saddened by this tragedy and want Grace to know she is in our thoughts and prayers.

## NEW MEMBER CLASSIFICATION TALKS

**Christine Lambert** and **David Murison** gave their classification talks on October 2. **Christine** said her life is like pages in a book. She is a breast cancer survivor and has worked in many different fields as a photographer, a Mary Kay representative, an active member of her church and the Chamber of Commerce, and a partner in her husband's business. Her latest endeavor is the Red Cross and she sees all these activities as humanitarian service. She feels that Rotary rounds out her life. Thank you Christine for an excellent talk.

**David Murison** is retired from the Woodstock, Vermont Chamber of Commerce and now lives in Newburyport with his wife Susan Wagner. They have a son at Trinity College and two other sons. David has had a varied past being in the Navy, computer field, and working at colleges and libraries. He worked at

CLSI in sales and management and then decided to lead a more simple life and opened a natural food store. After that he became director of the Chamber and is now thrilled to be in Newburyport and part of our Rotary Club. Thank you David for an interesting talk.

## SPEAKERS

**October 9—Bill Piercey** introduced Peter Thomas from United Way. Peter, also a Rotarian, gave a short overview of how the United Way helps people with food, clothing and shelter in the Merrimack Valley. They raised \$48 million last year. He also spoke of a new statewide service called "2-1-1" that people can call to get information about these services. When asked how the money is allocated he said young children come first, then teens to encourage them to succeed and then employment, training, and affordable housing.

**October 16—Jim Connolly** introduced Molly Ettenborough, Newburyport's Recycling Coordinator. Molly said our waste has tripled since 1960; we are creating 7.5lbs. of trash a day per person. People need to think of reusing before recycling and manufacturers need to design their products to be recycled. Coca Cola wants to be 100% but is only 45% now. Glass is recycled to make beach sand in Florida and is also used in road paving. If people don't cooperate, it's just not going to happen.

**October 23—Kim Harty** introduced Kate Yeomans, author of "Dead Men Tapping." Kate is a young woman who has spent much of her life on the water with her parents and now her husband. Her book is about the sinking of the fishing boat "Heather Lynn" on September 5, 1996. This occurred when a tug boat pulling a barge got caught in the lines of the fishing boat and turned it over. She read a passage from her book to give us a feel of what was happening followed by a slide show. Great presentation from Kate.

## HAPPY DOLLARS



— **Kim Harty** gave a happy dollar for Suzanne Dubus meeting Deval Patrick and receiving an award in Washington.

— **Grace** was celebrating her birthday on October 2 and was very happy. She said her family was taking her to the Top of The Hub for dinner.

— **Dean McLellan's** parents are going to Florida and his niece is doing well in Virginia as a teacher.

— **Austin Spinella's** dad is 90 years old.

— **Russ Johnson** enjoyed touring Vermont on his Harley-Davidson.

— **Karl Gray** was pleased to see the Patriots win; and also BC.

— **Jonathan Woodman** went to Europe for his 44th wedding anniversary.

— **Mark O'Brien** paid happy dollars for Holy Cross beating Brown and Dartmouth.

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— **Kiki** paid \$20 because she went to the Holy Cross class reunion.

— **Anne Marie Clancy** is celebrating five years as a dentist in Newburyport.

— **Liz Cullen** met a Rotarian at the Bath Club who knows Chip Nutter.

— **Grace** and **Chip Nutter** went to evaluate the Literacy Closet at the Bresnahan School.

— **Kim Harty** spent the weekend with her children.

— **Jay Howlett** wants his happy dollar back because his son chose not to go to Lehigh on a four-year scholarship. Instead he's going to the University of Pennsylvania, which offered no scholarship.

## STUDENT GUESTS

The students are back with **Dean McLellan** supervising.

From Triton we had Anna Sczepanski (senior) who is active in tennis, field hockey, community service, a class officer, member/officer of the National Honor Society, and the yearbook committee. Ashley Pierce (senior) participates in field hockey and tennis, and is a member of Community Service, Student Council, and the Yearbook Committee. Anna wants to further her education in Communications while Ashley wants to pursue Education.

From Newburyport we had two juniors. Caroline Barnaby is active in indoor and outdoor track, Interact, Student Council, Docent, and chair of the publicity committee. English is her favorite subject and she wishes to attend BU or Northeastern. Derek Stehlin is a familiar face, previously attending our meetings. Derek runs cross country, is VP of Interact, class historian, member of the executive committee of Student Council, Docent, and the environmental club. His favorite subject is math and he wants to study environmental science

or environmental engineering at BC or BU.

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Grace Connolly, Jim Connolly, Chip Nutter, and Richard Bernier had birthdays. Secretary Peter Johnston said he would pay for Karl Gray's birthday because he forgot to announce it. Richard Bernier, Rich Doolan (12 years), and Scott Vandersall (24 years) celebrated anniversaries. A big cake was brought out for Grace and we all enjoyed it for dessert.

## 60 SECONDS



**Dawne Shand** gave us an explanation of why we applied for a Foundation Grant.

## NEWSY NOTES

— President **Grace** read a thank you note from the Hines family.

— The Comedy Night has come and gone and it was very funny. **Pete Kelly** and **Tom Ambrosi** opened the show with a few jokes; and then we heard three comedians tell their jokes. **Kate** did a great job of organizing the whole event.

— **Dean McLellan** is looking for members to pick up students for the weekly meetings. Please let him know if you can assist.

— Santa Parade is November 25, chaired by **Mark Audette**.

— November 10 there will be a District Foundation Conference at York Community College. Let **Grace** know if you wish to attend.

## NEW MEMBER

**Vicki Hendrickson** has been inducted as our newest member, receiving her Rotary pins and new

member packet. Vicki is the director of the Adult Education Program.

## **WHERE'S LIZ?**

**Russ** and **Sheila** have been doing a great job of informing the club of District Governor Liz's whereabouts in the District. This month she finished up her visits going to Kennebunkport, Boothbay Harbor, Bath Sunrise, Bridgton, Windham-Sebago Lake, Durham-Great Bay, Dover, Casco Bay Sunrise, Portsmouth, Fryeburg, and Westbrook-Gorham. Our club is the last to be visited and we will do that the first part of November...so get ready.

## **RAFFLE**

When **Zack** picked the song today, he chose Four Leaf Clover and said someone is going to win the raffle today. Well isn't he psychic! The raffle was won today (with only seven cards to choose from) by **Jack Pramberg** for a total of \$1,190! Congratulations, Jack!!

Now we have the start of a new raffle, new deck of cards, and new money. Winners of the lucky number so far have been visiting guest Peter Thomas of Lawrence, Tom Sullivan, and John Macone, The pot is up to \$136 already.