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Now Official

Despite popular lore, Connor Mooney turned “official” Rotary President and July 1st. He also now holds the giant gavel to speak softly and carry a big gavel. Also voted Mrs Congeniality by Chamber. He has earned to right to be lampooned weekly by this distinguished publication.

Last Speaker

Dr Kurt Steinberg, of the PEM gave us plenty to think about what the PEM is doing, planning on doing and despite sgt’s questions, gave us real facts and figures of the PEM. Always a great talk from Kurt, it inspired two members to go get a dose of culture. See below pic.

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July 10

Issue I

WELCOME PRINCE ALI ABABA CONNOR TO BEVERLY ROTARY CLUB!

Loyal subjects, may a 100 gallons of Rotary Kool-aid fill your well of service above self

I live by the 4-Way eating test
Oats, Hay, Grass, Carrots.
- Mr Ed

This is Lennie the horse, who was at last meeting, not exactly he was for the Indian wedding taking over DYC, whilst we had our silly lunch

COMING UP IN THE ROTARYVERSE

July 10

Pleasures of looking at each other


July 17

National Fried Clam Day feast

July 24

National check your blood day from clams

Pay for meals, fines, happy dollars basically anything!





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Last Weeks at Beverly Rotary

Our newly appointed President, Connor Mooney, opened the meeting promptly at 12:15PM.

Neiland led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rachel read a reflection with a pertinent reminder that we're rising, not drowning.

Birthdays

The Club sang Happy Birthday to many fellow Rotarians: Kyle March, Nathan Seavey, Don Moran, and Charles Patterson.

Guests

Ayo McKenzie Thompson and Dr. Kurt Steinburg.

Announcements

Connor lead off with several announcements:

We're bringing back Summer Scratch Fever! The odds are in your favor, only 100 tickets to be sold.

Manchester-Essex Rotary is serving up their Rotary Breakfast Event: June 28, 9-12.

BRC will be hosting a Paddle Board Clean up on August 14 at Obear Park, many hands are needed and all are encouraged to participate. Such a fun way to be an environmental steward. Sign ups available and please share on social media to bring out families and friends. This will replace our August 14 luncheon meeting.

Neiland Douglas announced his "retirement" from Rotary.

Connor honored Neiland with a proclamation recognizing his 54 years of impressively impactful service to our Club and community. A Legacy Award will be given out in Neiland's name each year recognizing exemplary service to our community through Rotary. Neiland thanked our club and was honored to have an award designated in his name. He wished peace in this world and to all of us.

Jackie noted Neiland made a generous donation to the Club as he said farewell.

Brian thanked Sean and the Board for financially supporting St. Vincent De Paul Society

which provides fresh food to those in need in Beverly. He recognized members of Rotary for helping out at St. Vincent De Paul Society meal programs: Lorinda Visnick, Linda Turcotte, Paul Guanci, Virginia Jones, and Tim Flaherty. We served over 430 homecooked meals

Volunteer opportunities will be forthcoming.

Sergeant Moiph

entertained us announcing it's national watermelon seed spitting day, sitting in for Mr. Watermelon was Ms. Watermelon, who survived the massive mallet.

Be Happy-Give Bucks

Al Temkin and Mike praised, as a must watch, the latest Around Town with Rotary with Ellen Hanly-super entertaining.

Lee Yaffa sent his congratulations to the wedding party happening outside our meeting, of which Brian chose to terrorize.

Barry Sullivan was super proud of his daughter for being inducted to Beverly High School Sports Hall of Fame in basketball. NEC All Star and leader in all stats. Oh, and she's a doctor too.

Maureen Trefy was thankful and completely gobsmacked at receiving the Paul Harris Fellow Award. Well Deserved!

Jo Brodrick announced it was her last day at Montserrat College of Art! Hooray to retirement, well earned, Jo!

Sergeant Brian challenged our members with several topics in Cultured Trivia.

Brian dug deep and detailed, with Peabody Essex Museum trivia which mystified most.

Shifting to Harry Potter trivia questions, which stumped all those asked but guest Ayo McKenzie-Thompson, clearly a Hogwarts Alum, knew them all.

Speaker

This week's speaker was Kurt T. Steinberg, Ed.D., Chief Operating Officer of the Peabody Essex Museum.

The Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, traces

its roots to the 1799 founding of the East India Marine Society. This society, composed of Salem ship captains and supercargoes who sailed to distant lands, included a provision in its bylaws for creating a "cabinet of natural and artificial curiosities," essentially a museum. This initial collection formed the basis of the museum that eventually evolved into the Peabody Essex Museum. Today it boasts 24 structures and gardens as part of its collection.

Kurt enlightened us and challenged us to see a story in every exhibition at the PEM. From 1799 to the present a storied history is told. Each exhibit shows the viewer a time, a place, people, and their contributions. The PEM values engaging the visitors in the difficult and complex topics that have shaped our history citing Imperialism, slavery, and injustices. The PEM houses permanent, visiting, and special exhibits that teach, inspire, and motivate. The PEM's strategic plan aims to be impactful locally, globally and virtually.

Thank you to Kurt for his engaging presentations, there's so much to explore through the PEM.

Please visit PEM.org to learn more and plan your next visit, we're so fortunate to have the PEM right next door.

Raffle

Ayo McKenzie Thompson had the lucky ticket but no luck with the draw.

No meeting next week, July 3.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40.
Submitted by Anne Curry.



Sir Neiland

Interim President Connor presented Neil with a certification of 50+ years service and an award in his name in the future. Hell that's the least the club could do for you. We will miss you at the lunches and pool halls of Beverly.



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