



Beverly Rotary Club Sprocket Newsletter

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HEY, HEY, IT'S OPENING DAY

Take me out to the ball game. Take me out with the 12% crowd.
Buy me some peanuts and cracker jack, and a mere \$14 beer,
Let me root for the RED SOX, Won't win 'cause traded all their stars
For it's one, two, thirty games out in September.* At the old ball game!

* Does not reflect opinion of management but is opinion of Editor



12% players
12% fans

Styling jacket available at concession station 6, or Al Temkin's closet

Speakers Coming Up

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| April 1 | Nate Bryant, NSCC Interim President | April 15 | Abby Battis, Historic Beverly, Black History in Beverly |
| April 8 | Sarah MacBurnie Liporto, social media advice | April 22 | Larry Herman sailor man, life of the sea |

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Zoom with Beverly Rotary

The happy faces are abound in our weekly zoom meetings. Going with a more close up view of all the attendees from last week, including Matt Piakers ear and Rick Mooney perhaps dozing off? Plus special treat of smirking Moiph and college id photo just because we can. Fuller hair as well as longer then too.



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Last weeks news, Thursday Mar. 18, 21

Welcome/Call to Order: 12:17

Pledge Mike Jones

Song: Diane and Freddi-"Home" by Philip Phillips

Guests and visitors None-"I'm Not a Cat"

Invocation: Mike Duda

Birthdays: No official Birthdays this week, but "Happy Birthday" was sung for the Scribe

Announcements:

"Sprocket 100"-if interested in training reach out to Marshall; there will be many options available to complete 100 of something; to pay for Gazebo repairs

Gazebo-Looking for plans from Connolly Bros.

Mike Harrington-Fundraising Committee meeting afterwards

Jackie-Survey-63 would be willing to meet in person; start date is mixed between May & June; more than half would tune in to a hybrid meeting

Scott Dougherty-No updates on softball but looking in to the viability of the season

Jackie-Trivia Night last Thursday and the reigning champs were upset by the Death & Restless (Brian Murphy & his wife & Lee Yaffa and his wife)-countess was clutch

Sergeant: Diane Howard
Birthday bucks from Mike Osborne

Happy \$s-Al Temkin-second shots yesterday; Moiph-winning margin for trivia was a bag of onions; DPG-He who shall not be named may be coming for a visit for a few days as they are fully vaccinated; Diane-@ PETS last week; trivia contest winner when 60% through; came in 7th at the end

Sue Gabriel-bit by the Zoom Bug

Moiph-Gluten-Free Waffle
Apple Pie Waffle-Ellen Dunn
Healthy Waffle-Jamie Engel
True Waffler-Mike Cahill

National Medal of Honor Day
Jim Davies, Rich Jones, Joe Bubriski, Peter Hersee, Doug Peterson, Bill Scanlon, Don Fournier, Dr. Gil, Don Moran

Speaker:

Rachel Hand-Family Promise
A very depressing, but extremely informative talk from our own Rachel Hand of

Family Promise

Family Promise
National Organization-affiliate of national org.-200 Affiliates nationwide

\$ donated though goes right to Family Promise North Shore
National Org provides resources
Affiliate founded in 2013

Rotational shelter model at founding; emergency shelter from the beginning; day center during the day and then church at night-prevents the need for shelters; communities response to end homelessness

2 Main Programs

Emergency Shelter-families in need of shelter; privately funded so they can provide shelter to those denied by the state; 50% applying for state shelter get denied-250-300 families per month denied

COVID-turned things upside down

Had to put families at the day center; could not use the churches

Has maintained the ability to provide shelter for families

Andy Goldberg was the savior-needed properties and Rachel turned to Andy

Andy had a house that opened up; open house on Sunday; will allow them to have 2 families in the house and office space for staff

Adding Programs to address need

Throughout pandemic getting calls because people being bullied by landlords to get out

Childcare is biggest barrier for people to avoid homelessness

Poverty is generational

Debt Counselling

Shelter Diversion-we do not want people in shelter;

Situation in MA with Housing
Zoning Laws are a significant tool to address the housing issues in this area
MA-greatest increase in family homelessness-increased over 70%
Housing costs have increased by 53% since 2009 but wages have not

VERY DEPRESSING

1:27 PM adjourned
Submitted by Lord Mike Osborne

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Sprocket 100

As mentioned last week, President Marshall and his merry team of cyclists is planning on a 100 miler to help raise money for the Gazebo repair. You have options to do the whole 100 split up into teams to do segments, or maybe 100 minutes on a bike. The possibilities are endless. Plan is a route around Beverly and greater North Shore and Cape Ann. Route still in planning stages. If you do the whole 100 you can find pleasure with all the training going into it, your bum cheeks will be made of steel and more than likely able to crack a walnut with precise squeezing. More details coming soon.

A Sprocket 100 splinter group is planning on driving 100 miles in segments and stopping at Ice Cream shops all over North Shore. 100 cravers for 100 flavors. Sign up sheet is very lengthy at this point. testing kits for blood sugar will be available.



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Worldwide Adventures of Handy

Hello Tadpole-tarians. What's that? I'm sure you said something intelligent but I can't hear you. It's those spring peepers wailing in the background... peepers...I said PEEPERS! Spring has sprung and those horny toads are screeching their lungs out. No, not "Luge Run", though I'd be happy to recall my 1988 Olympic tryout in Mooseknuckle ME. I said "lungs out"...LUNGS OUT! GAK! Every spring I hear those chorus frogs and think back to my landmark legal victory Peepers v. Packy. I represented the convenience store chain, GAS N' JERKY. The abutters of Lake Coer d'Crapaud, accused my client of installing faulty spill guards around their Slurpy fountains. Allegedly the caffeinated saccharine runoff from dozens of stores polluted the lake and silenced the amorous amphibians. "Bullhockey hearsay," said I, as I launched my vintage Snacker-Craft punt. Now that was a pontoon with panache! You should have seen that trademark handbuffed dark mahogany hull with Hermes-orange pinstripes. Don't forget those flat-boat bad-boy extras, including a rambling sun deck, cockpit wetbar, and transom shower. That's me straddling the bow huff, brandishing my artisan Tiger Maple pole like I was born in a gondola. No sooner had I launched MOOT POINT than the groundless accusations assailing my client evaporated like donut glaze on a humid day. Documenting the prehistoric spring break churning in the shallows of the lake, I surmised that the aphrodisiac power of Blue Shock Mountain Dew slurpee rendered peeping unnecessary - there was a bumper crop of chorus frogs that year. The case was withdrawn without a peep. That's it for now, mateys, stay healthy. What about stables? I said "Stay Healthy" STAY HEALTHY!

Handy



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Last Weeks Speaker Rachel Hand, passionate about helping folks!

Rachel gave an impassioned speech on the state of homelessness, afford ability of rents in Beverly and the cycle of poverty that prevents families form getting out of that cycle. Lots of facts and figures to bake up story, and those numbers we're mighty grim. She also talked about the opening this past weekend of a new home for two families and offices for the Family Promise crew. Thanks to the generosity of Andy Goldberg and Goldberg properties. If you're poor life is no picnic.



A former Mayor needs to keep up on news

You would think former Mayor Scanlon, after 20 years of service would sit on his laurels and kick back, relax and have a beer...NO WAY! Even a former Mayor needs to keep abreast of the news and thoroughly read any and all articles to make informed decisions and opinions on news of the world. This includes scanning the funnies and reaching decisions whether Dagwood or Dilbert have any insights. Also based on photo proof Bill may need help with crossword puzzle. 1 Across clue is "long lasting wave, informally" Bill has first 3 letters PED_ but that 4th letter is trouble. help him out if you can at 1-800-HEL-PME!