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Benefiting the Beverly Rotary Club
Saturday, March 29, 2025 • 8pm



A Bed for Every Child
Tina Baptista came last week and gave us the lowdown on A Bed For Every Child, their mission, how they do it and why our club is helping out. They are basically Sean's size, anyone want to read him Stella Luna? Tuck him In? Pillow fight?

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- COMING UP**
- March 27**
Meegan O'Neil and Ken Krall
Habitat for Humanity
 - March 29**
Barry Goudreau Event
 - April 3**
Frank Kaminski Jimmy Carter Legacy
 - April 10**
Rob Cerundulo 128 Cycles

BOTTOM OF THE NINTH AND GOUDREAU UP, COUNT IS 3-2 WILL THIS WEEKEND BE A HIT OR MISS?

I promised littel Timmy I would hit a home run for him, I just need to make one and solidify my legacy

Hey, Sean, this is your bat speaking, ease up your choking me

Keep eye on event

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Last Week at Beverly Rotary

Meeting started at 12:15pm by Prez Sean.

Invocation: Matt Piaker (standing in for Rev. Julie) honoring the first day of spring with the quote by writer and naturalist Hal Borland, "No winter lasts forever; no spring skips its turn."

Birthdays: Mike Osborne, John Kenney.

Visitors:

Tina Baptista, speaker and guest of Sean Carla Handy, guest of Ellen Cameron Goudreau, guest of Sean Ross Steinborn, guest of Bob Rosemary Piaker, guest of Matt Celia Black, visiting Rotarian Gwen Jones, visiting Rotarian Karen, guest of Sean

Announcements:

Mike H. - ~500 tickets sold (between Rotarians and sold by NSMT). Rotarians and their guests should arrive between 6 and 6:15; head to the Broadway Club (separate building, behind the theatre. Jackie will hand out tickets there (envelope with our tickets and seat assignments). We need volunteers to sell tickets for the 50/50 raffles

Nathan - son's school Glen Urqhart has a gala in April - hope you'll buy a ticket!

Brian - Custom Medicine has an opening tonight from 5-7pm featuring light fair, wine, and art by our own talented Moiph. Proceeds benefit Grateful Friends.

Speaker:

Prez Sean introduced Tina Baptista from a Bed for Every Child, a beneficiary of Beverly Rotary's Spring Fundraiser.

A Bed for Every Child is affiliated with the Coalition for the Homeless which focuses on advocacy, providing material goods, and addressing homelessness, especially for elderly and disabled. Tina's remarks were

interrupted by a plethora of dropping utensils - accentuating the urgency of need.

Ms. Tina graciously awaited for the excitement to subside, and then continued to share that the organization provides beds to children living in poverty. They work with schools, hospitals, and other nonprofit organizations like Beverly Bootstraps to identify children who could benefit. It is a statewide initiative helping 150 Massachusetts communities. Last year they served 1988 kids, including 21 in Beverly. Average age is 7.9 years old; mostly in single-parent households. Nearly half are Latino. They also provide backpacks and winter clothing.

A good night's sleep is as important as food and housing. Sleep hygiene is essential to wellbeing and academic success. They've been a beneficiary of Lynnfield Rotary, which now funds 120 beds annually. They partner with local vendors including a mattress dealer and Moynahan Lumber. Beds generally are twin-sized, but they can do custom beds for taller, heavier and/or younger children. Warehouse is located in downtown Lynn. They conduct Build a Bed workshops for volunteers - 2 hours, builder-friendly. Tina commented that she and Tuck (a 7-foot teddy bear mascot) will be at our fundraiser.

Matt P. shared that he has participated in the workshops through the Lynnfield Rotary - "it's a party!"

Mike H. noted they'll be onsite at our event and that there will be an opportunity to attendees to contribute directly to A Bed for Every Child.

Prez Sean indicated we'll be giving \$10k to fund 28 beds.

Sergeant Brian "Moiph" Murphy: Noted he is a human daffodil in honor of spring (also decorated with Shamrock beads, apparently forgetting that St. Patty's day was already a distant memory).

John S. - a happy \$20.

Moiph - in NYC and out of the 30k restaurants, happy that he and his wife randomly found one that was 100% gluten free.

Classification Speeches:

Prez Sean introduced two new members giving their Classification speeches: Ellen and Adam.

Ellen Handy: When 4 years old, was asked what do you want to be when you grow up. She was confused - thought everyone wanted to be president. Is a lifelong Beverly resident. Went to MIT. Has her motorcycle license. Picked up the travel bug - marrying in Azores next year. Title at Fidelity is VP, Market Leader.

Works in retail environment setting people up for a better future. (Fidelity at 77k employees is the largest family-owned business and as such has the ability to focus on longevity.)

As a student at MIT, didn't gravitate toward finance and felt out of her element. But then discovered that her talent was leadership.

As a manager at Kohls at the age of 24, she came into a branch that ranked 1250 out of 1250 in satisfaction. She asked questions, promoted from within, and in a year brought the store to #1 ranking - all with the same people; she just gave them the means to thrive.

Ellen serves as a big sister, on boards for women's causes. Excited to be a Rotarian.

Adam Standley; his older brother, his "Irish twin", is deaf and handicapped. Adam served as his caregiver and interpreter. His brother was often subjected to bullying; the brothers were thus obligated to give the bullies the "rough treatment". At an event together where the Coach O'Shea Sportsmanship Award was being given, they again got into trouble. But instead of being kicked out, Adam as surprised to be honored with the award. Played hockey, football, lacrosse. A member of the Pink Floyd Graphix cover band.

Did not do well academically. Joined army

and served as a combat medic.

Went to Framingham State on the GI bill.

Did landscaping to cover the bills.

Met and worked with Henry Bertolon; while there, he met his wife.

Started Standley Technologies which was successful for 15 years before the great recession. Got out of that company and went to work in Senior Living. Not as much \$\$, but happier in this second act. Worked with a WWII crowd and loved it.

In fall of 2024 formed Senior Care Navigation, helping families to find the best options for their loved ones. Example of a home that looked to be \$9k/month suddenly going up to \$15k/month. Prez Sean noted people from all walks of life make our community a better place.

Raffle:

Bill B. picked. Bill B. lost. No winner. Meeting adjusted at 1:30pm.

Fundraiser Committee met immediately after.

Submitted by Rebecca "left her phone behind" Imperiali



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