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# Beverly Rotary Club Sprocket Newsletter

## WHO'S COUNTING?



President Matt keeps referring to the year of Dave countdown each and every week, we just wanted to show you a visual map of what that magic number actually looks like. As you can see we still have a good amount of weeks where Matt will be our leader, plus poor golf jokes. For your own safety please don't think of weeks as a countdown but more as a portal to the next level of Nirvana with Dave Olson as the vision of peace and tranquility.

### Last weeks Visiting Rotarian

Janet Dalton Honek, Las Cruces Rio Grande, NM, graced us with her visit last week. Funny thing Moiph being in Moab, UT didn't get the same reception.. From an arid climate she was amazed at the moister and rain that we take for granted here in New England. Advice to travel to New Mexico, DRINK WATER AND LOTS OF IT!



### Sergeant Duo

Filling in for the ill Meng, Dr Beckman and Dr Engel did a fabulous job of making chicken salad from chicken #\$\$@!. Funny thing this is a first when we had two Dr's doing the sergeant routine, most times it's a person who is in need of a Dr. It may be us but when we look at this photo we are reminded of The Brady Bunch, with Dr Bill as evil father Mike and Jamie as the ever bubbly Marcia, Marcia, Marcia. Heard it was a humdinger of a program, where Oliver?



### Public Service Announcement

In a blatant attempt at exploiting Finnish child labor laws, Dr Jamie (again in our newsletter) had exchange student rockstar Aku hold up her tee sponsor sign at the recent Golf Classic. Finnish authorities have been notified and measures are being taken so this vile abuse of child labor laws is not causing Aku any more distress than he can handle. Shame on you Dr Jamie for using Aku as a living billboard!



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## Last week at the Beverly Rotary Club...

Meeting was called to order by President Matt Piaker, at EXACTLY 12:15 (So put that in your pipe and smoke it, Joe B)

Pledge of Allegiance was impromptu-led leader by Larry Herman, followed by Freddie and Diane leading us in song and an invocation led by his most pious Neil Bernstein.

### Guests:

Iain Goddard, guest of our own guest speaker Rachel Williams Aku, Beverly Rotary exchange student

### Visiting from other Rotary clubs were:

Janet Dalton Honek, Las Cruces Rio Grande, NM, Traveling Ambassador  
Mello Honek, One World Rotary Club  
John N Janeson, Haverhill

Riddle of the day (Prez Matt):  
What type of music did the pilgrims like? Plymouth Rock.  
Post-riddle of the day (sprocketeer):  
What does the Prez's riddle remind me of? A sinking rock.

### Announcements:

- Golf Tourney update
- Tue 10, 2, 12:30 shotgun: Speaking of golf, Manchester Essex Rotary 20th annual golf tourney, including prime rib dinner at the Landing, \$100
- Mon 9/24: SOX with the

President, was to be auctioned off today, but there were no bidders.

• Feb 9, 2019: Polar Plunge, presented by Sarah McBurnie. JOIN ME!!!

NOTE: The Board approved that today's Sergeant money will be earmarked to help Merrimack Valley tragedy, via go-fund-me, and/or Lawrence YMCA Food Pantry

"Happy Birthday" was sung for Russ Queen, Doug Peterson.

### Sergeant-at-Arms: Bill Beckman and Jamie Engels (filling in for MIA Ming)

- Happy dollars and announcements: Neil donated a series of fins (5 dollar bills for you youngsters), for: attending niece's wedding in Hawaii, new granddaughter, selling home, semi-retiring. Jenn Freedson, for getting to the meeting (joined by future baby). Sean Goudreau, sad dollars in memory of a good friend from Swampscott High School who was killed in Iraq in 2016. Dylan Jones, in hope of a speedy recovery for North Andover, Andover, and Lawrence. Adam Winn (new member), for dad's 83rd birthday.

### Fines

Jamie: Golf fines: Sarah M, Matt Piaker, Sean (Sean Penn fine), MIA banks: Bill Howard, Becky-sitting

## ...Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2018

for Bill Beckman: Bill Beckman. all non-volunteers/sponsors. Bill Beckman: Ranger collected \$300 in donations. Longest old-woman drive: 278 yds+. Academy Awards: Jackie Rapp. Best pilot Larry Herman. Travel documentary: Rachel Williams. Series reboot: Sean Goudreau as Eddie Munster. Longest running new and old show: Dave Olson. Most day-time drama: Sue Gabriel.

### Guest Speaker / Program:

Rachel Williams, Good Will Ambassador to Pakistan with Iain Goddard

Went from Singapore to Pakistan. Polar opposites on just about every possible way. Pakistan & Afghanistan: Development of extremes: Mujahadeen, Madrassah (boys removed from families - all male environment), Taliban, fanaticism.

Education vs Polio!  
1800 Rotary friends in Pakistan's District 3272.  
Rotarians donate their own time and money, mostly in support of education. However, the level of chaos leads to more disease, including recent growth in Polio.

Kalu Shah school: In 2008, they built the very first toilets. Now: every family has a toilet. No Polio in this community. All girls now receive an education. Those who have money pay. Those do not have money don't pay.

Denmark Rotary club raised \$16,000 in one day for solar panels and more for the school. Currently funding a female doctor (MD) in training

Pakistanis are always smiling, EXCEPT for pictures. It is difficult to get them to smile on camera. How we got the smiles. "Pretend you are not Taliban." Their retort, "Pretend that you are not a hostage!"

Educated women: Now, all their husbands are afraid of the women

3 Decades of war. But recently: peace. Cricketer is the new Prime Minister. Everyone is hopeful.

The people do not hate us. We need peace. We need education. - Rachel

Birthdays:  
Kim Manna, Doug Olson.

### Raffle

Mini-Raffle winner (tote bag): Freddie D.  
Raffle Winner: Dave Olson, but did not draw the correct card.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:30

Scribe of the week: Neil (aka the snail) Bernstein

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