

The Meeting Opens

President Laurie opened the meeting with the pledge and Doug Rendell said the grace.

Guests

Our guests today were David and Judy Bergeron. They were also our guest speakers.

Lunch

We had 32 folks for lunch today. There was soup, salad, turkey, fish, and various flavors of mousse for dessert.

Birthday(s)

No birthday folks present today. My birthday was last week. *(and since Doug didn't want to be sung to OR acknowledged for his generous gift to Kiwanis Foundation – you get to see him and all his St. Patty's day finest. Do you recognize that member behind the BIG Foster Grants? She'll be back to lunch soon!)*



Speakers

We were glad to welcome speakers David and Judy Bergeron from Beauport Hearing Care as our speakers. David gave a wonderful overview of hearing loss, what can be done, how to interact with a person with hearing loss, and reasons to get a hearing test. 48 million people have hearing loss and only 15% receive treatment. David distributed several handouts. One listed the 10 reasons to get a hearing test: (1) There is still time to treat and manage hearing loss, (2) Your hearing loss affects everyone around you, (3) Hearing well improves relationships, (4) Social alienation may lead to depression, (5) Older people with untreated hearing loss are at greater risk of falling, (6) Hearing loss may be an early warning sign of diabetes, (7) Untreated hearing loss and dementia have been linked, (8) Hearing loss may be a complication of cardiovascular disease, (9) It is harder to get a job, or advance in your career, when you can't hear, (10) Advanced options for treating hearing loss are available.



(and even though you can't see anything on the screen, David and Judy gave us a lot of interesting information – that I brought home to my 'selective hearing partner, Roger' ;-)

Happy Dollars

President Laurie was happy that Jan Tipert is back and feeling better *(Jan looks happy, too, but after my 3rd attempt at taking this picture, Ellen gave up and refused to look at me ;-)*



This sentiment was echoed by Pam Wall, Sandi Warren, Myrna Fearer, Diane Brinkley, and Ellen Lefavour. Anna Bertini, was happy for the Pats and so were Susan Rogers, Pam Wall, Andrew Patton, (Andrew was also happy to have Doc Comeau back) Dick Moody, and Dan Bennett.



(So, what do you think? Pretty clear picture for an iPhone 'new-be'. I do like the camera feature, but I can't seem to get rid of that 'Siri' girl – she's such a know-it-all!)

Doug Rendell was happy for the meeting, Alan Thibeault was happy to be at the meeting, Dick Gilmore was happy for a weekend in Plymouth, Pat Allen was happy to be sitting with the Institute past and present. Susan Rogers was happy for the Pats win, Eileen (you know she's important...she only uses her first name) was happy that Danvers has early voting. Barbara Remon was happy for former Dolfin YMCA Swimmers reunion at D.Y.C. E. Med Anderson was happy for a successful Y Trail Run, Frank Herschede was happy to be back from vacation. (No bear damage this time). Ashley Meagher was happy that hockey season has started, Alan Hartnett was happy for a beautiful crisp day, Nancy Hathaway was happy that Halloween is almost here, Rich Warren was glad to be at the meeting. Doug Desrocher was happy to no longer be ILL. Thank God!! Nellie Homen was happy that it is almost Christmas. Doc Comeau was happy to be at the meeting. Jim Tallo was happy for the World Series start Ex. Red Sox against Ex. Red Sox players. Last but certainly not least, Kay Maurice was happy to have my new iPhone *(now I need to take pictures of other people and not -taken by mistake- selfies of me – which is VERY scary)*

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tom Flannagan has been named our new Vice President. The Board was happy to have him join the ranks. I know you will all welcome him in his new role on the Board.

And since he already knows how to wash the pancake dishes – he's perfect to be next year's Pancake KING – of course, not to outdo this year's Pancake Queen in Nancy Petronio. Don't worry – we'll be setting up a Pancake Committee soon – so you, too, can help out that day!



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- November 2 Night Meeting at Calitri's at 5:30 pm & Operation Troop Support project at 7 pm.
- November 7 Governor's Visit at Calitris at 6 pm
- November 9 DCAT Leadership Forum at 11 am – come see all that they are doing for Danvers!
- November 18—20 Kiwanis Fall Training Convention. OR you can join Kay, Laurie and Tom Flannagan just for the day on Saturday. It's fun meeting new Kiwanians!
- November 22 Our traditional football lunch at DYC with Danvers High School and Gloucester High School football captains and their coaches AND other leaders in our town.
* DCAT Leadership Forum at 11 am at DCAT – come see all that they are doing for Danvers!



Here's the infamous Thanksgiving Day football trophy – hopefully we'll get Danvers' name on it after the game!

Winning/or not

Ashley Meagher won the free lunch. Doug Rendell and Carmine tried their luck at cards but lady luck was not at Kiwanis today.

Have a Great Week
Doug Rendell