

**Kiwanis Newsletter**  
**April 18, 2017**

President Laurie opened the lunch meeting with the pledge, and Pat Allen said the prayer.

We had two birthdays this week: CR Lyons and Jesse James. Jesse was present for lunch so he requested that President Laurie, Past President Susan Rogers, and President-Elect Nancy Petronio sing him "Happy Birthday." It was pretty good, I've definitely heard our group sing worse.



**Lunch Menu:**

Clam Chowder

Strawberry & Caesar Salad

Pasta Salad

Grilled Chicken

Flat Bread Pizza: Meatball, Onion/Pepper, and Cheese

Desserts: Grapefruit Custard, Chocolate Mousse, and Fruit

We inducted a new member to the club! Linda Swinnerton became the newest member of the Kiwanis Club of Danvers. She was sponsored by her friend Ellen Lefavour. Very cool that she was able to be sworn in on the same day her grand-daughter Isabelle was giving the lunch presentation with her Girl Scout troop.



Gayla Bartlett introduced our speakers for the day. Michaela, Lillian, and Isabelle from Girl Scout Troop #62022 did a PowerPoint presentation on their Bat House Project. The girls are going to various organizations in town to help educate the public on the need for these bat houses. The plan is to put up 4-8 bat houses in Endicott Park. The park is a great place for these houses since it's a low traffic area and bats do not like loud noises. The troop is building all of these bat houses with donated materials such as wood, glue, nails, large posts, etc. The goal is to have the houses done and put up in the park by May.

Little known facts on bats:

- They greatly help the ecosystem.
- They are natural pesticides.
- Bats both hibernate and migrate.
- White Nose Syndrome is a disease that is greatly affecting the bat population in this country.
- Our Kiwanis Club donation will help build 4-8 bat houses in the area.
- These bat houses are specifically for hibernating bats only.



## Happy \$\$

We had a big group that was happy about Easter and spending it with friends and family. They were Bob Moore, Irene Kucinski, Andrew Patton, Susan Rogers, Rich Warren, and Dan Bennett. A few at the “guys” table were happy that Doc Comeau got a new Jeep and that Carmine is officially retired. This included Doc, Jim Tallo, and Lenny Marshall.

Carmine was happy that such a big group of Kiwanians came to his retirement party last week. Art Skameas and Alan Hartnett were both happy that Irene K is “Citizen of the Year.” Also, they were happy that Bob Moore is being recognized as “Business of the Year.”

President Laurie is happy she doesn’t have a night meeting to go too

Gayla Bartlett, Pat Allen, and Nancy Petronio were happy the “Bat Girls” were at lunch and such a big crowd came to listen to them.

Nancy Hathaway is happy the weather has cooled down...(spoken like a true New Englander ☺)

Dick Moody is happy his grandkids are home and visiting him.

Tom Flanagan is happy it’s track season!

Ellen Lefavour is happy that her friend Linda Swinnerton is being inducted as a new member today.

Doug Desrocher is very happy and thankful for his family and friends.

Kay Maurice is happy to be sitting next to a relaxed and tan, Bob Moore! Welcome back from Florida, Bob!

Linder Swinnerton is happy the snow is gone!

Jan Tipert is sad that no guys wanted to sit at the “girls” table except for Jesse ☺

Frank Herschede is happy an American came in 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Boston Marathon!

Jesse James is happy to have successfully made his 79<sup>th</sup> trip around the sun.

Myrna Fearer is sad her daughter-in-law still has pneumonia.

Barb Remon is happy for Jesse James, supposedly he is a gentleman? ☺

Finally, Sandi Warren is just happy to be at Kiwanis!

## IMPORTANT DATES:

This **Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** – it’s **Earth Day** – as sponsors to the **Rail Trail**, all Kiwanians are asked to help out, AND it’s FUN...help plant ground cover and other plants, and to clear light brush and debris from the Trail.

Meet at the Maple Street Church parking lot (near the Hobart Street lot where the trail crosses Charter Street) at 8:30 am. We will break up volunteers into three or four small groups to work on different sections of the trail. We aim to complete our work by 12:00. Wear weather appropriate clothing, sturdy shoes, and work gloves.

**Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> – the HAWC Walk.** Once again, Kiwanis is a sponsor and it's another FUN thing to do. Let's get some fresh air and walk together – meet Kay and Gayla at 9 am at the Salem Commons.

Don't forget about the **“Membership Drive / 5<sup>TH</sup> Year Anniversary of the Night Meeting” on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** at 6:00 at Calitri's. **WE WILL NOT HAVE A TUESDAY AFTERNOON MEETING THIS WEEK!** We want everyone to come to the night meeting and bring a potential member! Even if you do not have a potential member to bring, please come anyway! Come and show your support of our Club!

AND don't forget about selling your **Restaurant Raffle tickets** – in fact, if you have any left that you haven't sold – please let Kay (kmaurice@msn.com) OR Joe Flaherty ([jlkflahert@aol.com](mailto:jlkflahert@aol.com)) know. The drawing will be in June, but we'd like to know how many unsold tickets are still OUT THERE!

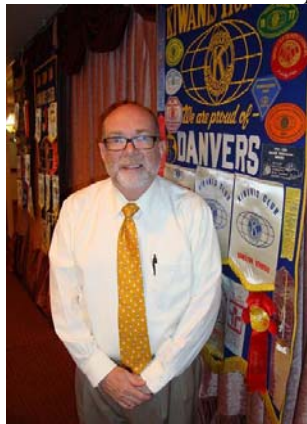
**Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup> is the Citizen of the Year Banquet** at the Danversport Yacht Club. Our very own Irene Kucinski and Bob Moore are being recognized. It's \$42 a ticket and you can purchase those from Alan Hartnett.

*(and here's Irene in a less glamorous light – but always working for Kiwanis!)*



Holocaust Remembrance is this Sunday at Higgins Middle School at 7:00pm.

Doug won the free lunch! *(even back in 2010 – he was a dapper guy!)*



Kay and Lenny had no luck at cards. LOSERS! ....no picture for them ;-)  
Just kidding....