

Kiwanis Newsletter

Membership Drive and 5th Year Anniversary Party for the Night Meeting

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

After cocktails and conversation, President Laurie opened the 5 year Night meeting anniversary and membership drive celebration with the pledge. Kay Maurice provided a very fitting 'Volunteer's Prayer'



Tonight's event consisted of a good mixture of both the lunch and dinner meeting members. AND we were happy to have six guests tonight, Joe, Julie, Carol, Denise, Bill and Jill.



A group Happy Birthday was sung to: Ashley Meagher, Kay Maurice and Irene Kucinski.

A nicely put together video by Gayla showed our year in review. It touched on the Duck Race, Bike Safety, Car Seat Safety Check, Pancake Breakfast and Rail Trail cleaning.

Tonight's diner buffet consisted of salad, grilled chicken, baked stuffed sole, rice and beans. Dessert was a delicious assortment of Italian cookies. *(and Ralph Calitri was our chef)*



A wine basket was raffled off with all proceeds going to Eliminate. Anna Bertini was the lucky winner. Many car wash gift certificates were raffled off. Everyone always loves winning those! Thank you, Alan!



Special thanks were given to Joe Flaherty, Maureen Gillis and Paula Gates for asking President Kay five years ago to start a night meeting for those who could not attend the lunch meetings. Thanks to their research and commitment, many new members have joined because of these monthly Wednesday night meetings.



This was truly an awesome night and many members were saying we need to have these fun gatherings more often. Many thanks to President Laurie and her membership committee.

Happy dollars:

Peggy & Jesse James: Are so thankful for all the wonderful people in Kiwanis. (this happy dollar slip was returned with a boarder of hearts)



Frank Herschede: He and Thale are all lined up for the Kiwanis convention in Paris! We expect some fabulous pictures from across the pond!

Nancy Petronio: Laurie and her membership committee threw a great anniversary party and membership drive

Alan Hartnett: Happy to be here!



(even though we put him to work like it was a Tuesday lunch meeting)

Kay Maurice: Happy that Alan gave her a happy dollar

Dan and Janet Bennett: Happy for the night club's 5th year

Anna Bertini: Happy she won the wine.

Bob Moore: Happy to be at the night meeting.



Diane Brinkley: Happy to be celebrating 5 years of night meetings.

Irene Kucinski: Happy five years for the night meeting!

Nancy Hathaway: Happy to be attending her first night meeting

Joe Joslin: Happy to be invited to join Kiwanis...*(shhh....he's presently a Rotarian)*

Med Anderson: Happy to be here tonight

Jill Summit: Chicago Cubs :)

Maureen Gillis: Happy to be at a meeting

Ashley Meagher: My St. Louis Cardinals are playing better!

Paula Gates: Night meeting has been 5 years!

Gayla Bartlett: Happy to celebrate with my Kiwanians

Don Gates: SAD going to Jack and Jill shower

Linda Flaherty: Happy for 5 great years of the night meeting

Joe Flaherty: Happy for the 5th anniversary of night meetings

June Guidara: Happy that she visited her grandkids in Idaho last week



(and she looks pretty happy visiting with Janet, too)

Everyone seemed happy to have taken part in this awesome celebration!!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday, May 16th – guests at lunch will be the advisor to the Essex Tech Key Club, Beth Ballas, along with a couple of her student leaders about to graduate. They want to come and thank us for supporting their Key Club this year!

Tuesday, May 23rd our lunch meeting will be at the Essex Tech (NOT Danversport Yacht Club) – and we all know how great those culinary students are at making a delicious meal for us! As you drive up Rt. 62, the new Essex Tech building and entrance will be on your right.

Saturday, June 24th is our **Bike Rodeo** at Great Oak School. We'll need lots of volunteers for THIS day BUT you can sign up for the 1st shift at 8:30 – 10 am OR the 2nd shift from 10-12 pm.

Tuesday, June 27th will be our yearly 'serving lunch at the Senior Center' day. We'll need help at the beginning at 11:30 am and then a group can come near the end (at 12:30 pm) to help clean-up. We need BOTH shifts!

SAME DAY – Tuesday, June 27th – our annual **Bocce Tournament** with Rotary and the Lions Club – who are hosting this year. We'd love to get a good crowd to cheer us on!

Saturday, July 22nd – hopefully you have already signed up with Dan for our **sunset cruise** out of Gloucester. More details to follow.

Have a great week---Nancy Petronio *(thanks, Nancy, for documenting our celebration!)*