

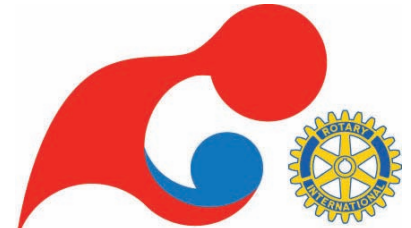


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March 16, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Spencer on a cool March day. After a pledge by Dave S., a pledge led by Charlie V., and an Irish prayer by PP Dan L., the meeting was underway. There were 26 Rotarians (a record attendance for this year) 2 guests, and 2 member applicants off to a good start. Spencer read a thank you letter from one of the many families that we have helped recently. It was reassuring to hear how our support is appreciated and meaningful.

We were reminded again of our clubs effort for veterans, and the April 18 function "Homes for Troops".

President elect Doug H. reported on a great training session (PETS) that Rotary has annually for incoming officers. He reported on the great gains of the Polio Plus program in the past 20 years, with fresh funding from Rotary and the UN, with huge gifts from the William Gates Foundation, and additional aid from Germany and the UK- the first time nations have pledged support beyond that made by Rotary and the UN. The Gates Foundation also offered additional support in the future if it becomes necessary to help eliminate Polio worldwide. Doug also discussed dropping RI membership in the USA, Canada, and Western Europe, but with growing membership from all the rest of the countries on Earth where Rotary is allowed to form clubs. He pledged that membership will be a major effort in his year as president of our club.

PP Dave E. reported that LexHAB, a Town of Lexington Housing Assistance Board, is now building its 11th house. The homes built by LexHAB are a joint venture, with both Lexington Rotary and the Minuteman Regional High School working with the town. LexHAB raises the money, mostly from rentals of previous homes, the Rotary Club of Lexington and Dave Eagle supply the management of the building of new homes, and the Minuteman Regional High School students supply 90% of the labor. Dave said that he uses his Rotary Club contacts with contractors to obtain the best possible prices for construction materials, and the occasional sub contractor (foundation work). He reported that the good will generated by the Rotary Club over the years makes it possible to obtain bargain prices for materials from local contractors for this worthy project. The finished homes are then rented by LexHAB to low or moderate income families following guidelines of income established by the federal government. LexHAB is the first such venture in Massachusetts. Members of our club can be proud of what we have accomplished over the years. Dave has been an integral part of this venture since its inception in 1985. You can visit the LexHAB website at www.Lexingtonhousingpartnership.org.

Our speaker was Patricia O'Flynn of the Samaritans, Inc.-- a non-denominational, not-for-profit volunteer organization dedicated to reducing the incidence of suicide by befriending individuals in crisis and educating the community about effective prevention strategies. The group has experience of over 30 years of befriending to the Greater Boston & Metro-West Communities.

The Samaritans of Boston were established in 1974. In 2005, they joined forces with their sister branch in Framingham to become Samaritans. Samaritans is a United Way of Massachusetts Bay affiliate and also a certified member of Contact USA. There are Samaritans offices in other regions of Massachusetts, the U.S. and the world, the first having originated in England in 1953. Samaritans branches share a common mission and philosophy, but operate independently of each other. The Samaritans is a non-denominational agency and provides services to any individual, regardless of age, ethnicity, gender, race, disabilities, sexual orientation or religion. Samaritans' purpose is to alleviate despair, isolation, distress and suicidal feelings

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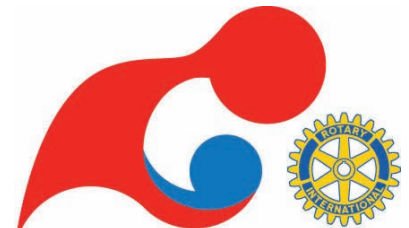


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They offer support service in four areas:

1. 24 hour suicide prevention hot line
2. Community outreach at senior centers, assisted living and schools
3. Grief support to families and individuals
4. Life line- support in local prisons

Patricia also reported on the tell tale signs of depression, and how it can affect mood, motivation, and general well being. Early signs of a person in depression can be a change in eating patterns, sleeping habits, and daily functioning. As the only suicide prevention organization in the greater Boston and MetroWest areas, Samaritans is an important resource to the community, providing a 24 hour a day, 7 day a week service that alleviates the isolation and emotional despair that can lead to suicide. It was clear from the questions that were asked that there was great club interest in the topic.

Join us at the next meeting when we induct Marian and Julianne.

7 Day Notices

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