



The Navigator

The Exchange Club of Greater Newburyport

P.O. Box 31, Newburyport, MA 01950

Meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Starboard Galley

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Two new members join, two prospects also attend

By Stuart Deane

While our guest speaker, Andrea Egmont of Newburyport's youth services, had to cancel at the last moment due to illness, the January 21 meeting was still a festive affair with the addition of two members and the attendance of two potential members as the guests of William Shuttleworth.

Joining the club were Russell and Judy Liddle (right), two-year residents of Newburyport, who are looking to become more involved in the city. This was our first double induction in quite some time and our first married couple in an even longer time. We look forward to their participation in our club.

Also in attendance were Dick George, president of the 101st Airborne unit associated with the Boston Red Sox Home Base foundation, and Steve Chanin, a Vietnam vet who once belonged to the Windsor (Conn.) Exchange Club while working as an engineer.

Also of note was the return of Jim Noyes, recovering from knee-replacement surgery.

While we awaited our salads and entrée choices, Mid-Winter education conference attendees Erin Fournier, Barbara Griffith, Jane Collins, Dudley Farquhar and Stu Deane reported on their observations, which centered around the enthusiasm and camaraderie that are the essentials of a successful club. The keynote speaker, by the way, was our own William Shuttleworth, who wowed the audience with the story of his journey across America. At the end, he received a standing ovation (next page).

After dinner William led a general discussion on how Newburyport could move from



being a good city to a great city, with ideas ranging from a new hotel on the waterfront, to improved sidewalks, to tax breaks for senior citizens, to a new facility for youth services, to neighborhood produce centers, to a city department store...

Following the meeting, President Erin Fournier emailed members with a note of appreciation from Patty McGrath for our "holiday display" basket as husband Ned recovers from one surgery and prepares for a second.

Schedule

- Feb. 4: Regular Meeting, with an overview of club projects for new members and an open invitation for new ideas.
- Feb. 18: Regular Meeting with speaker Kathleen Bailey, still a member of the club though living in Savannah, Ga., who will inform us of her upcoming mission trip to Tanzania
- Mar. 3 and 17: Regular Meeting
- Mar. 19: Salvation Army Community Dinner

