



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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Full house listens to Chamber of Commerce head

By Stuart Deane

The October 15 meeting was full of surprises -- a guest with our guest speaker, a new member with our newest member and a random crossing of paths with a past speaker at the bar downstairs.

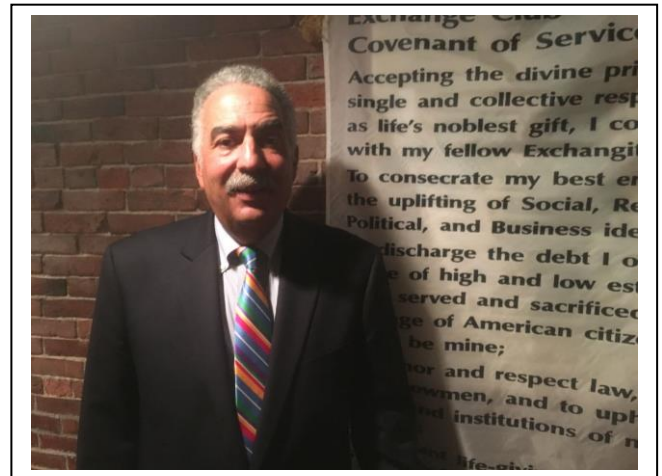
Attending the meeting with guest speaker Frank Cousins, president of the local Chamber of Commerce, was State Senator Diana DiZoglio, a member of the Exchange Club of Methuen. The two had been participating in local ribbon-cuttings, and the Senator wanted to attend a Newburyport Exchange Club meeting.

Attending the meeting with new member William Shuttleworth was past meeting speaker Dudley Farquhar (photo, next page), who will be sworn in as a new member of the club at the November 5 meeting. Dudley is spearheading an effort to provide local servicemen with Care packages of essentials not provided by the military.

Sitting at the bar with a recent knee replacement was retired *Boston Globe* sports editor Bill Griffith, a specialist in cars, who once led a club roundtable discussion of members' first cars.

Speakers

"It's good to be here," said Frank, a former city councilor, state rep and Essex County sheriff. "It's been great to work with Diana as president of the Chamber of Commerce. The big issue is promoting the area. We have printed up 40,000 guidebooks with the help of an earmark by the



Senator in the state budget. She also brought a group of Senators to tour the boardwalk and the Custom House."

"Frank is an advocate for small businesses," replied Diana. "I'm on the Small Business committee. They're so important for a small community. A partnership with the Chamber of Commerce is so important."

“Nothing gets done without working together,” continued Frank. “What’s up? Jobs. Business. Tourism. It’s important for us to have a waterfront hotel. It’s time to work with Stephen Karp to complete a waterfront facility for when outsiders come to visit the city. A lot of good things are happening.

“We have to evolve, to change, to look at new things. This city has always had strong leadership – from urban renewal to the development of good schools, even to the first water treatment plant on the Merrimack River. I like what we are doing. I’m happy to live in Newburyport.

“It’s good to come here this evening. Your club does great things. Thank you.”

Schedule

- Oct. 17: Salvation Army Dinner (see photos on the right)
- Oct. 22: Board of Directors, 6 p.m., Panera
- Oct. 24: Health Fair committee meeting with Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., North Shore Realty
- Nov. 5: Regular Meeting with speaker Jane Snow, a retired Newburyport teacher who is cleaning and decorating veterans’ graves at Union Cemetery in Amesbury.
- Nov.11: Coffee and doughnuts for veterans at the Changing Tides Café, 92 Pleasant Street
- Nov. 19: Regular Meeting
- Nov. 26: Board of Directors

Member-to-be



“Unity in Service”

