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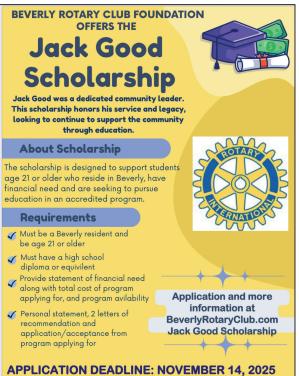
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Last Weeks Speakers

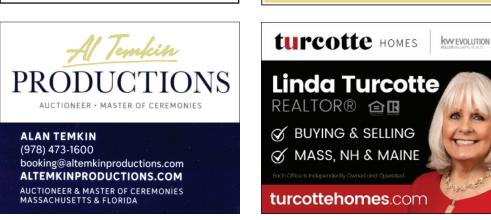
The Kastle's owners Ryn and Kevin Grant talked to us about all types of games and challenges of restaurant running with children and COVID issues. Go down and play Candyland will ya!



Jack Good Scholarship

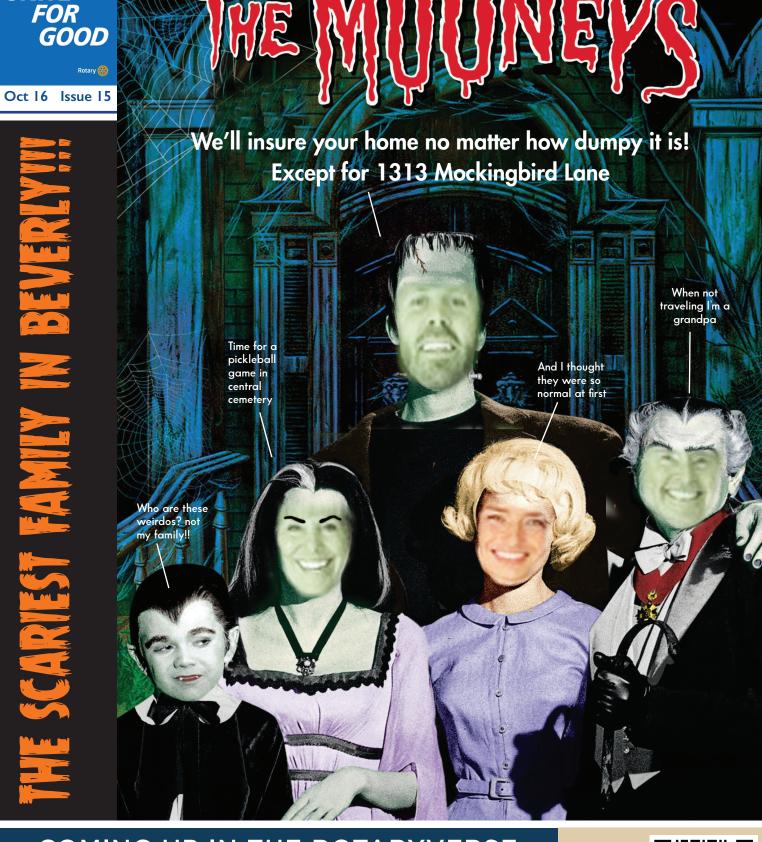
Our Jack Good Scholarship application is up on our web now and ready for applicants. Geared towards 21+ age students who need that extra something to continue higher education.

Deadline 11/14/25 Go to www.beverlyrotaryclub.





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COMING UP IN THE ROTARYVERSE

Oct 16 Service project with

Ellis Square Friends

Club No. 6605

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Oct 23 Remembrance Day Past members recognition

Oct 30 Susan Ring Northeast ARC. BOO!

Pay for meals, fines, happy dollars basically anything





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Last week at Beverly Rotary

Meeting started at 12:15 by President Connor

Pledge - Chris Haight Prayer - Thad with a prayer of taking a breath

Guests

Steve Boge - guest of Prez Connor Ryn and Kevin Grant - speakers

Announcements:

Connor: Last thursday Discover Rotary was a big success, let's turn visitor's into members. Keep them coming back for

Food Drive for Thanksaiving flyers on tables with supplies list. Ellen Dunn offered to be a shopper for food list

NO MEETING NEXT WEEK AT DYC Service food project at Methodist Church. Day of service.

Rebecca - fund raising meeting after lunch meetina

Sean - Ken Burns is his favorite podcast. incredible program

Bob Butterworth - Historic Beverly American Revolution show

Anonymous Art Show at Montserrat 11/1 some artists you know might be in it. Tickets only \$35

Bob B. gave props to Moiph for painting he commissioned

Commish asked members to pay dues

Sergeant Thad

Sizeable donation for poor attendance, and daughter visiting from San Jose with screaming kids. Police called to his home

Latecomers: Brad, Nathan, Carlos

Happy Dollars: Anne 26 years of marriage Jo - 20 years of marriage Bob - mideast peace at hand Fines: Sean for mind being blown Beckman for Bills loss Yankee fans for suck performance Julie - lunch scheduling strong arming Jackie coachina sat Julie for Chronicle segment about horse

in Beverly Bill and Bob no mention Kyle and Thad with Commish in between (Marble Rye?) Al on shelf photo

Fake Book props to Matt Piaker SV swag gifts - trucker hat, tape measure, matches, ladies cut shirt, shopping bag, trucker hat, all \$5 all swept up

Today's speaker was Kevin and Ryn Grant of the Kastle Restaurant at Depot Square. Spoke about their journey of starting a business with no experience, money or business plan, just liked games. Based on a trip to Canada and was impressed by a similar style themed place called Snakes and Lattes.

Celebrating 10 years in business, mostly driven by youthful optimism and grit. Former Harrys 240 place, they wanted a place for people to gather and hangout with no real pressure to eat and leave.

They have done numerous events to keep the excitement of tehir place and draw customers back. That includes New years Eve parties, Stand Up Comedy, Kristy Queen (first drag show in Beverly), and a Retirement Party for a Veteran. Much of this was due to Covid when they scrambled to find oyther sources of excitement.

No requirement to play games or but is always an option. They have over 700 games in their stash including many that reside in their basement that shuffle in and out.

Moved to 140 Rantoul Street in 2023, bigger space, better location and added a patio and full kitchen and liquor license to the mix. Did you know they have a secret room, available for parties or events. Also adding a

bartender who knows sports gave the non gamers someone to talk to.

Members asked questions such as: Do you own all the games? Yes Do you have kids games? Yes Any repeat customers? Yes many including a old couple who play backgammon weekly. Depending on who won he can tell by mood of spouse!

They do have 18+ games which are a bit more naughty and surprising many students from Gordon College (their alma mater) come and let loose their coils of conserva-

They have has d a few fights over game outcomes, and have popular games such as RISK and Game of Life which draw big

At this point they don't have Chess nights but lookina into it.

The staff knows at least the rudimentary skills needed to play all the games for instructions. They also have speed puzzling which is puttina together a puzzle as quick as you can.

Marketing is mostly done through social ways and increasing traffic.

Their philosophy is to be involved in the community and they are involved in Beverly Main Streets for one. They do get some train traffic but not a whole lot, they also offer up Dungeon and Dragons nights for that hardcore crowd. They also have a Karaoke Night weekly which is a big draw, for vocally challenged in Beverly.

Go down to Kastle and enjoy a game, drink

or conversation. You'll be glad you

Raffle

Ticket: Nathan but no winning card

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 Submitted by Lynette Squeaky Fromme.



ADVICE Connor Corner

Dear Connor

After all this rain teh past week, I was wondering if you moved to corner office on second floor to avoid coming ocean's rising and flooding downtown? Rowing boat on River Street

Dear Rowina.

As an Insurance GIANT, that would have been a good move, but our move was more of a location better suited for our need, which is checking in on Lex Ushakoff since he doesn't seem to come to meetings anymore so we wanted to make sure he was okay. Plus if educators go on strike again we have a primo spot across street to see the mayhem only educators can cause. Ocean's rising? Never heard of it. Thanks - Nobody backs Connor into a corner except Connor!



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