

2021 Annual Meeting President's Report

At this point in our Rotary year, things have been going very well.

- The return to in person meetings has seen good attendance, both in-person and virtually. We have worked out most of the bugs relative to virtual attendance.
- The 2021 Golf Tournament returned and was successful, raising nearly \$7,000 Thank you to Mike Bird, the golf committee and all volunteers, golfers and sponsors.
- Due to program scheduling we did not have our annual corn roast. However, the social committee pulled together a fantastic gathering at Southern Tier Brewery which also served as a fundraising opportunity that raised approximately \$1,500. Thank you to the Social committee, volunteers and all those who attended.
- We have had two off-site meetings at the Ice Arena and just last week at First Lutheran Church for the A 'Cappella Vespers Preview.
- Foundation has been busy this fall catching up on Paul Harris Fellow presentations. To date 17 PHFs have been presented with several more to come. Our club has 278 PHFs, 77 multiple PHFs, with 9 being the highest individual club member achievement. Our club has three members, past and present, that are major donors at the Benefactor Level.
- Our club also participated in Pedal for Polio raising funds through online donations. Recruited Jake Shrantz to lead the ride. We also partnered with Jamestown AM and Falconer clubs for the ride. Chris Anderson and I also joined the ride. Our club pledged \$1750 to Pedal for Polio as part of the district challenge.
- The Vision committee has been very busy with projects, including a joint project to rehabilitate and improve a derelict and unsanitary polio vaccine dispensary in Karachi Pakistan, funds for translation devices to the Promise Fund of the Jamestown Public Schools, and assisting the City of Jamestown with a welcome sign on North Main Street.
- Ruth Lundin has led the establishment of our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) committee, who you will be hearing from in a presentation scheduled for January.

- Ruth Lundin as chair of the Vision committee also spearheaded several area cleanups with the Hands on Neighborhoods projects and the Riverwalk cleanup.
- The Literacy committee continues to impress with their efforts. 2021 JPS Summer LEAP Program, September was Literacy Month and they shared a list of DEI focused books for kids with several local libraries who put up displays with a poster, reached out to the WIC program to discuss a new project, Established a third laundromat library the libraries have provided over 200 books between July and November. 55 volunteer hours (not including meetings) and has managed to do all this with a cost of \$10. THANK YOU
- Thanks to the ability to attend by zoom, we have had excellent participation by member with district events, including district conference, and district trainings. I completed the last two parts of rotary leadership institute in November. And participated as a panelist in September for a district training on hybrid meetings.
- We again had the privilege of TRC Camp Program. Four-day overnight program at Camp Onyahasa, with 31 campers this year, 19 from TRC Residential, 5 from Family Care, and 7 from the community. There were arts and crafts, nature walks, nature activities, row boating, swimming, and the favorite activity, pontoon boat rides. Thank you to all our members who attended the opening campfire and provided musical talent.
- 3 New members approved since July. 2 initiated, 1 approved and awaiting initiation.
- Thank you to our bell ringers who are still working on the Red Kettle Campaign.
- Thank you to all of our members, committees and board for the work being done!

Respectfully Submitted 12/13/2021 by

Kevin Sixbey President (2021-2022) Rotary Club of Jamestown NY