



The Skantarian

Skaneateles Rotary Club, Skaneateles NY, U.S.A.
Rotary District 7150
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Skantarian Newsletter

Dec 24, 2015

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

Member Birthdays

Robin Jowaisas



NOTICE of NOTE - NO MEETINGS on Dec. 24th & 31st. HAPPY HOLIDAYS



DUES are Due - Our Jan - Jun 2016 dues are due. Please send your \$75 check to: Duane Weaver, Treasurer, Skaneateles RC, PO Box 316, Skaneateles, NY 13152

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Summary Notes of Dec 17 Meeting ... by Ward

Your Board of Directors met last Thursday, Dec 17 and the following is a summary of discussions points and resolutions.

- **Pres. Bill's Relocation** - Bill has accepted a job offer in Virginia and is stepping down as Club President, Grants Chair and Worthy Cause Chair. 
Past President *Cheryl Sivestrini* will assume the President's position as of Jan. 1st, 2016. The Grants and Worthy Cause Chairs remain to be filled. The Board thanked Bill for providing six months of excellent leadership and wished him well in his new adventure and location.
- **2016-17 Officer & Directors Candidates** - The Board recommended the following for open positions, commencing July 1, 2016
 - **Secretary** - *David Piper*
 - **Treasurer** - *Duane Weaver*
 - **Exec-Secretary** - *Ward Vuillemot*
 - **Director** - *Mary Giroux* (2year term commencing July 1, 2016)
 - **Three additional Directors** (as above) - to be determined
 - **Vice President** (current term) & **PE for 2016-17** (same individual) - to be determined
 - **Interested ?** - If you are interested in filling any of the open positions, please contact Cheryl

- **Dictionary/Thesaurus distribution** - to take place at the State Street School on Dec. 22nd
- **Grants Training and Membership Seminars** - to take

December 5

John Moran

December 16

Skip Plank

December 25

Join Date

Brad McLennan

December 19, 2002

13 years

Nick Brewster

December 22, 2011

4 years

Links

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place at the Baldwinsville Library for 10 am - 1 pm on Saturday January 23. (no charge and lunch provided). We will need a least two Rotarians to attend the Grants portion if we are to participate in the next District Grant cycle. Interested in attending? Contact Cheryl.

- **Club Assembly** - Scheduled for the 2nd meeting in January.
- **Dues are due** - The club treasure will get the billing out shortly.(*see notice above*)
- **Membership** - Discussion ensued of verification of a verbal resignation. Must be verified in writing, per our By-Laws.
- **District and RI Dues** - are calculated and billed on our Jan. 1 membership numbers. Therefore, all membership records must be up to date by Dec. 31st.
- **Rotary Foundation Giving** - to date numbers reported as: Annual Giving (SHARE); \$4,530, or 73% of a \$6,300 goal. PolioPlus: \$856 or 43% of a \$2,000 goal. 27 Rotarians and non-Rotarians participating YTD.

LAST WEEK: ... by *Bill Conole*

President Bill departs - Before dinner President Bill announced that in January he is starting a new job in Leesburg, Virginia & therefore must resign as our club President. Our past president *Cheryl Silvestrini* will take over as president for the remainder of Bill Blessing's term. Past president Bill Conole will assist President Cheryl when needed.

2016-17 Officers - The membership voted upon and accepted the slate of officers noted above in the BOD Summary.

The Three Phases of

WWII - Our speaker *Marvin Langley* joined the Army in 1941 shortly after graduating from Cornell. For his basic training in the Army's Armor Corps Marvin was sent to Fort Knox. Marvin pointed out that our Army was woefully unprepared for war in 1941. Armor training was conducted in a few jeeps--tanks were not available. Because of his education & excellent service record Marvin was selected for OCS. Marvin said OCS candidates were called "90 day wonders" because they only received 90 days of training. After his commissioning Marvin was sent to upstate NY's. rural "Pine Camp" (now Fort Drum) for additional training. While there Marvin heard the legendary Gen Patton deliver an inspiring pep talk. Marvin pointed out that the Nazi tanks were technological marvels compared with the US's hastily built lightly armored & gunned tanks. As a result American tanks suffered severe loses at the hands of Gen Rommel's tanks in North Africa. Marvin's tank unit landed in the "2nd element" on Omaha Beach on D-Day. By this time the Army adapted new tactics that offset many of the advantages formerly held by the Nazi's superior tanks. Marvin's description of his WW2 combat service was vivid & passionate. When Marvin completed his presentation members gave him a standing ovation and saluted him as being a true representative of America's "Greatest Generation".



Pictured with Marvin (center) are WWII Vets; Rotarian Dana Coye (right) & Joe Phillips (left).

[John Moran](#)

Dir 7/2014 - 6/2016

[Amy Tormey](#)

Dir 7/2014 - 6/2016

[Roy MacDonald](#)

Dir 7/2015 - 6/2017

[Cathy Powell](#)

Dir 7/2015 - 6/2017

[Jim McQuiggan](#)

Dir 7/2015 - 6/2017

[Jean Sardino](#)

Dir 7/2015 - 6/2017

[Bill Conole](#)

Youth Exchange Chair

[Lee Bennett](#)

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[Bill Blessing](#)

RYLA Chair

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Youth Exchange Officer

[Lori Ruhlman](#)

Guests - Peggy Bennett, Anne McElroy, Joe Phillips and Marvin Langley

Our 50/50 Winner - Consortium; Cheryl, Jean & Kathy. **4 cards left in the bottomless deck!** Yes, the Queen is still there.

Active Members - 60

Percent attendance - last week - 51%

ROTARY FOUNDATION UPDATE ... and PolioPlus CHALLENGE

Annual Giving SHARE - Goal: \$6,200 YTD: \$4,350 or 73%

PolioPlus - Goal: \$2,000 YTD: \$931 or 47%

The Challenge from an anonymous Rotarian - who will match the PolioPlus amount given by Dec. 31st. **So ...** if we can bring the YTD PP to \$1,000 by 12/31, then the match will meet our goal. **GO FOR IT!** ... by Ward



RING THE BELL - Our Salvation Army Kettle project, at the Tops Market commences Friday, December 4th. The schedule can be found on our website by going to the Site Pages on the left side of the Home page. If you have not yet had an opportunity to sign-up for a time slot, contact John Moran. A great project that supports those in our community in need and to meet and greet your Skaneateles friends, while providing **Service Above Self** while serving your community. Check the schedule by Ward

THIS WEEK(s): Dec 24th & 31st - No meetings. Happy Holidays

NEXT MTG: Jan 7th - CNY Books for the World review & Update - Ward V.

FUTURE SPEAKERS & EVENTS: See listing below

MEETING SETUP

ASSIGNMENTS Dec 24&31 (no Meetings)

Set-up 50/50

Ticket Sales

Pledge

Invocation

Jan 07

Amy Tormey

Guido van der Ven

Ward Vuillemot

Chuck Williams

Be courteous & please get a replacement if you won't be available for your assignment!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:



"AGE DOES NOT PROTECT YOU FROM LOVE. BUT LOVE TO SOME EXTENT PROTECTS YOU FROM AGE." Jeanne Moreau

D7150, RI and Other Future Events

- Jan 23, 2016 - D7150 Membership & Communications, and District Grant Seminar. No Charge. [Info & Registration](#)

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OUR 2015-16 ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE LONG TERM EXCHANGE PROGRAM



Outbound - The 2015-16 Rotary Youth Exchange Outbound students have departed for a year as exchange students abroad. **Sofia Darovskikh**, to *Finland*, and **Zach Driscoll** to *Germany*. We wish them all the best on their "adventure of a lifetime".

Inbound - student have moved to their second host families: **Vincent**, from France, hosted by *Jessica & Tom Wingfield*, and **Daniela** from Chile, hosted by *Shelly & Marc Strang*.

SHORT TERM EXCHANGE PROGRAM (STEP)

Hope Glowacki has spent a few weeks in Sicily, Italy and her host sister, Irene returned with her to Skaneateles for a few weeks.

Adrianna Marshall traveled to Thuringia, Germany and his host sister, Constanze, returned to Skaneateles for an exchange.



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MAKE UPS: Remember to report your "make ups" to David Piper ASAP. You can email him at piper97j@yahoo.com **It is important to report the date,** To learn more on make-ups and procedures, visit: [CLICK HERE](#)

Speakers

Dec 24, 2015
[Christmas Eve](#)
NO MEETING

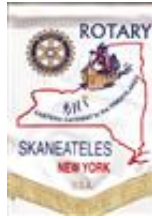
Dec 31, 2015
[New Years Eve](#)
NO MEETING

Jan 07, 2016
[Ward Vuillemot](#)
CNY Books for the World

Jan 14, 2016
[Club assembly - BOD @ 5:00PM](#)

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Welcome to our Club!



Service Above Self

We meet Thursdays at
6:30 PM

The Sherwood Inn
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United States



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"Service Above Self"