

CLUB NEWS

DATE: January 3, 2017

INVOCATION: Helen Arnold

PROGRAM CHAIR: William Radner

PROGRAM SPEAKER: Information not available at time of print

DATE: January 10, 2017

INVOCATION: Janet Soja

PROGRAM CHAIR: Barbara Randall

PROGRAM SPEAKER: a member of the Bay State Medical Center Pulmonary Rehab Team

DATE: January 17, 2017

INVOCATION: Jacob Waah

PROGRAM CHAIR: Michael Moriarty

PROGRAM SPEAKER: Information not available at time of print

DATE: January 24, 2017

INVOCATION: Peggy Woods

PROGRAM CHAIR: Venus Robinson

PROGRAM SPEAKER: Peter Brunault

DATE: January 31, 2017

INVOCATION: TBD

PROGRAM: CLUB ASSEMBLY



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Member Birthdays

Poe-Heineman, Marian	Jan 01
Leary, George	Jan 16
Kaplan, Steve	Jan 26
Eger, The Legend	Jan 29

Spouse Birthdays

Sue (Kaplan, Steve)	Jan 15
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Rotary Anniversaries

Accomando, Tom	20 years
Desnoyers, Robert	5 years
Fowler, Bob	32 years
Kagan Levine, Joan	21 years
Oldershaw, Louis	70 years
Robinson, Venus	23 years
Seyffer, Kenneth	42 years
Woodill, Bob	48 years
McAndrew, John	5 years
Viens, Kathy	6 years

UPCOMING PROGRAM ASSIGNMENTS

7-Feb-17	William Rogalski
14-Feb-17	Karen Blanchard
21-Feb-17	Peter Rosskothén
28-Feb-17	James Sagalyn
7-Mar-17	Martin Schoenemann
14-Mar-17	Glenn Shealey
21-Mar-17	Marie Sheedy
28-Mar-17	Lou Silver
4-Apr-17	Janet Soja
11-Apr-17	Linda Vacon
18-Apr-17	Kathleen Viens
25-Apr-17	Robert Villani
2-May-17	Jacob Waah
9-May-17	Patricia Wise
16-May-17	Margaret Manton SCHOLARSHIPS

INTRODUCTIONS PLEASE!

Please try and take the time to introduce yourself to our speakers each week, especially if you are unable to stay for the presentation. It is asked that you kindly thank them for supporting our Rotary Club and to please excuse your inability to stay for the presentation.

Club Runner

If you have not logged in to Club Runner, your default username will be your first initial, last name and 6933 with no spaces and lower case. Example: Jane Smith would be jsmith6933. Your password will be your first initial and last name with no spaces and lower case, i.e. jsmith. You can change this once you have logged in. If this does not work for you - Rebecca MacGregor may be able to assist you 413.534.2532.

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2017 Dwight Awards

Date: Wed., February 8, 2017

Time: 6 p.m.

Location: Delaney House

Honoring:

OUR OWN HELEN FLORIO!!!

Each year from the general public, a jury chooses someone whose tireless work and invaluable commitment to the City of Holyoke exemplifies the spirit of the man for whom the award was named.

CONGRATULATIONS HELENE!!!

MEET MY VIBRANT CLUB

When I became the president of my Rotary club, we had nine members. We were a dinner club and had two-hour-long meetings at a children's restaurant.

The first thing we did to reinvigorate the club was move our meetings to a golf and country club in our area. This was a venue where professionals would want to gather for a meeting — and it was free.

We then changed the format of our meetings from dinner to a cocktail-and-appetizer style of meeting. This enabled us to keep our meeting to one hour long, was cost-effective, and allowed our younger members to get home to their families for dinner.

Finally, we added variety to the structure of our weekly meetings. Week one includes a vocational talk, so members know about each other's businesses. Week two is a Rotary information session. Week three is where we feature a guest speaker, and week four is our club assembly, where the entire club is updated on projects and fundraisers.

We asked club members to make a list of potential members and then phoned them and personally invited them to join the club. This resulted in 11 new members, 90 percent of whom were under the age of 40. Then we made sure that each new member joined a committee based on their interest. Finally, we make sure that we have a lot of fun at every one of our meetings. This has been a crucial element for us, as it has led to camaraderie and enhanced fellowship.

Nick Krayacich
Rotary Club of LaSalle-Centennial
Canada

DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA TO MAKE OUR CLUB MORE VIBRANT? PLEASE REACH OUT TO VENUS OR ANY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS!