

Waterloo Rotary

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Club Earns Another Literacy Honor

The Central New York Books for the World Literacy Program that we provided funding for was recently recognized with an award! They have forwarded a Thank You to all clubs in our District that assisted with this project. Thank you for your support! - President Jane

"Rotary CNY Books for the World" is a collaborative effort between Rotary Clubs, affiliated youth clubs, other community and service organizations and The Second Wind Foundation Together, they providing K - 6th grade picture/story and K – 12th grade textbooks to needed regions of the world to create opportunities for a better way of life.

Books are shipped to Rotary club & district Distribution Centers in Africa and other locations throughout the world where English is one of the primary business languages. In addition, Spanish and English books also are sent to locations in Latin America.

The "Rotary CNY Books for the World" committee provides general book types and descriptions, packing specifications and delivery information to a central marshaling warehouse to the Rotary Club. The Rotary club buys, at cost, all the required packaging materials.

At the central warehouse boxed books are weighed, palletized and wrapped then shipped to Rotary Books for the World (The Second Wind Foundation) in Houston, Texas. Here, in Houston, books from all USA Rotary collection centers are co-mingled, containerized and sent to third world Rotarian managed distribution centers.

Where are these books currently hiding? -

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Closets, book shelves, storage areas of homes, churches, all looking for a home and children to read, learn from, love and cherish them. By combining our resources, we have given these books a fresh start, and are making a significant difference in the lives of the children of the world.

Additional ways to support this project: If



United Way Executive Director Karen Beals withsome of the more than 3,000 books donated by students at Waterloo Middle and High School and Main Street School to the Seneca County Literacy Coalition. Our own Callista Lowry conducted a book drive that collected 885 books! The donated books will be given to children and will be distributed at the 12 red book shelves in the county where children can take a book to keep. Beals is holding "A Splendid Friend Indeed," the book that Waterloo and Seneca Falls Rotary clubs Literacy Partnership will distribute to incoming kindergarten students through home visits to help prepare students for school.

you are unable to support the project with books, but want to add to support, we need funds to move books from CNY to Houston TX. These funds will also go to help purchase sea containers, which may be converted to classrooms or libraries in Africa, once they are unloaded of their book contents. Send checks payable to "Rotary District 7150, Books for the World" to: Ward Vuillemot, 8 Teasel Lane, Skaneateles NY 13152.



Service Above Self

Club Meetings

April 23 - Adopt a Highway

April 30 - Club Assembly

May 7 - Virginia, Safe Harbors

May 14 - Adopt a Highway road cleanup

May 19-20 Annual Plant Sale

May 19-20 District Conference

May 27 - Celebrate Commemorate Chicken BBQ

June 10 - Carp Derby

June 25 Change Over Dinner



Two new service partnerships announced this month by Rotary International will support humanitarian efforts by clubs and districts.

RI will combine resources with the Global FoodBanking Network to alleviate hunger worldwide. And Rotary and YSA (Youth Service America) will work together to encourage young people to participate in service projects in their communities.

Working with the Global FoodBanking Network, Rotary clubs and districts will be able to volunteer at food banks and help create new ones, organize food collection drives, sponsor trucks for food delivery and distribution, raise awareness of hunger, and distribute food to hungry children through the BackPack and other school food programs.

"Rotarians have served selflessly in the communities where we are developing and expanding food banks," says Jeffery D. Klein, CEO of the Global FoodBanking Network. "We want to connect Rotary clubs and districts to service projects and food distribution in the more than 20 countries where we are currently engaged in food banking activity, and inspire them to take leadership in this generation's quest to end hunger."

Opportunities for youth

Founded in 1986, YSA has partnered with hundreds of organizations in more than 65 countries to increase the number and diversity of young people ages 5 to 25 serving in their communities. The organization works to educate youth, teachers, community organizations, and public officials in the power of young people to solve problems, and to engage the children and youth as volunteers, academic achievers, and community leaders.

YSA's annual Global Youth Service Day campaign, this year 20-22 April, mobilizes millions of young people in service activities.

Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs and districts are encouraged to use YSA resources and participate in the

Birthdays

April 21 - Patsy Amidon April 22- Coreen Lowry April 27 - Bill Velte



Bessie Sullivan, Brianna
Ralston and
Caitlin ColeConroy of Waterloo Interact
with some of
the 149 bags of
food students
packed last
Christmas for
Trevor's Gift.

organization's activities. Interact and Rotaract clubs and districts are also encouraged to take part in Global Youth Service Day by registering their projects with YSA.

How Food Banking Works

Each year billions of pounds of food go to waste, while at the same time nearly one billion people do not have enough to eat. Food banking systems capture surplus food and deliver it to the people who need it most, and engage all sectors of society (governments, business, and civil society) in the process. Food banks acquire donated food, much of which would otherwise be wasted, from farms, manufacturers, distributors, retail stores, consumers, and other sources, and make it available to those in need

through a network of community agencies. These agencies include school feeding programs, food pantries, soup kitchens, AIDS and TB hospices, substance abuse clinics, after-school programs, and other nonprofit programs that provide food to the hungry.' The Global FoodBanking Network works with food banks in 19 countries to collect goods that would otherwise go to waste from sources such as stores, manufacturers, restaurants, and farms, and distribute them through local pantries, soup kitchens, hospices, and school programs.

Waterloo Rotary meets at 6:30 p.m. Mondays at the Holiday Inn. New members and guests welcome!