

BALDWINSVILLE ROTARY NEWSLETTER



50 Years of Service

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Submit your articles, news and
photos to the editor by the 25th
of each month.



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FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT BRIAN:

April- the month when the snow melts away (hopefully) and our environment starts to bloom with all its beauty. Something we should never take for granted and something we need to protect. April is the month we observe Earth Day. Earth Day was started by Gaylord Nelson, a Senator from Wisconsin who organized a grassroots demonstration in 1969 to create political awareness for the environment. The day was first celebrated in 1970 with demonstrations around the United States. Today it is the largest secular civic event in the world with over 1 billion people in 174 countries participating!

We as Rotarians can help the cause, as our Rotary Club will be observing Earth Day on Saturday April 22nd by cleaning up around Maple Street in the village. Look for more details in this newsletter and the "This week in Rotary" emails.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

Carpe Diem,
Brian



JOIN THE EARTH DAY CLEAN UP



**Saturday, April 22 | Meet at 8:30am
Marble Island (at the end of Marble Street)**

All Rotarians and guests are invited to walk the island picking up trash to beautify our community and protect our waterways

Please dress for the weather, wear appropriate footwear, gloves and bring a picker-upper stick if you have one

CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP

April 2023



JUNE 9 & 10 | PAPER MILL ISLAND

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram | www.SenecaRiverDays.com

CALLING ALL ROTARIANS TO HELP!

As sponsors are starting to come in, bands are booked and duck tickets are being printed, you will start to see calls to volunteer and help with our club's largest fundraiser. Here is an outline of ways you will be able to assist over the next two months.

SELLING DUCK TICKETS

An important part of this event being successful regardless of the weather on the big weekend is to ensure we sell as many duck pluck tickets in advance as possible. Abe and his ticket team will be setting up opportunities for members to sell ducks outside of local businesses, so please sign up for at least one shift to help in this way. Tickets will be available for you to sell to people in your circle and a link for online ticket sales will be shared out soon.

If you know of a local non-profit who would want to sell duck tickets as a fundraiser for their cause, connect with Shelley Hoffman at shoffman.homes@gmail.com.

SHARING ON SOCIAL

As posts start picking up on our Seneca River Days social pages, please like, comment and share everything you see. That kind of activity on a post makes it so Facebook will show it to more people and helps increase our reach overall.

VOLUNTEERING AT THE EVENT

Our volunteer coordinators, Marcia and Marilyn, will be reaching out *every member* to take a shift during the event, with most jobs being pretty easy gigs - working the admissions table, selling duck tickets, helping in the kids craft tent. The adage "many hands make like work," is key to getting everything done without exhausting the event's leadership team.



SAVE THE DATE: MAY 30 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE 2023

Rotarians and guests will be invited to help build our float and walk in the parade to help us promote Seneca River Days on this Tuesday evening

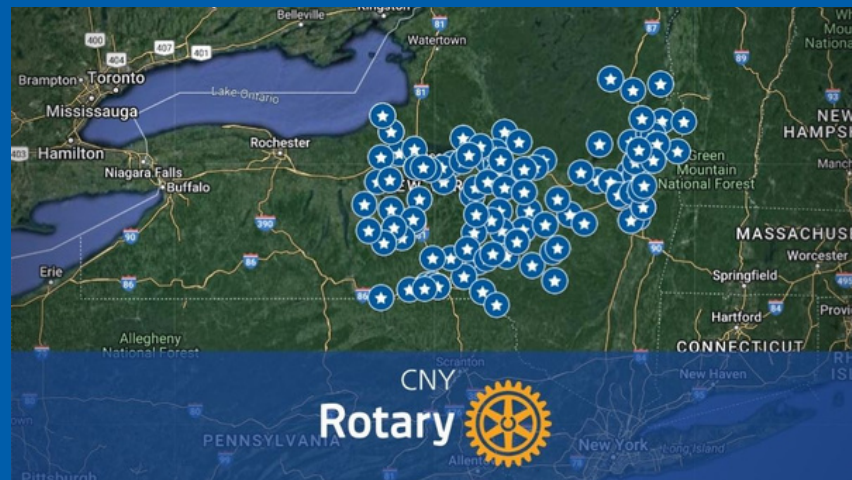
Photo courtesy of Lynn Rosentel: Our 2022 float designed by Johnnie-Lynn Fioramonti, truck and trailer lent to us by Jonah Dombroski

WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK

April 24 - 30

As one of the greatest advances of modern medicine, vaccines are safe, effective, and save millions of lives each year. Our progress in the fight to end polio is proof that vaccines work. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative estimates that the polio vaccine has saved more than 20 million children around the world from paralysis. However, approximately 12.5 million children are totally unvaccinated. They are known as zero-dose children, and vaccinating them is critical to stopping polio for good. We need to continue vaccinating the world's children against polio, because polio anywhere is a threat everywhere.

Join us during World Immunization Week and remind the world that together, we end polio



A map of all clubs that will be part of our future region.
FOLLOW @CNYRotary on Facebook & Instagram
or visit www.CNYRotary.org for more details!

REGISTER NOW

DISTRICT CONFERENCE | May 5-7, 2023

1000 Islands Harbor Hotel, Clayton, New York

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: Sun, April 23

Discounted packages available for teens and children, so bring the whole family!

All three districts are invited to be part of a weekend filled with celebrations, connections and fun!

IMPORTANT: You must register for conference AND ALSO book a stay directly with the hotel

SCHEDULE

FRIDAY FUN: Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with Pesos for Polio

A portion of all drink sales go to End Polio, learn about our progress towards eradication, and enjoy seeing old friends and meeting new

SATURDAY LEARNING: Get inspiration & explore the area

We'll spend the morning hearing from local organizations doing great work, with all three districts sharing some key projects from their areas. Then in the afternoon attendees will have free time to shop, taste and see the beautiful riverside community. In the evening, we will celebrate Youth Exchange and get the latest from CNY Rotary at dinner.

SUNDAY SEND-OFF: A time to reflect and look ahead

After breakfast we will remember Rotarians we have lost at the memorial service, following by a look ahead to the next conference, then say, "See you soon!"

Rotary
District 7150



Rotary
District 7170



Rotary
District 7190



LEARN MORE

HELP GIVE BACK

MEMBERS CAN PROPOSE PROJECTS & DONATIONS

Each year our club puts tens of thousands of dollars back into the community, both through the programs run by our volunteers and through donations to organizations that do important work to help our friends and neighbors in need. We even do international projects to support growing economies, build schools and provide clean water. The money used for these contributions is raised collectively through our work at events like the Big Chill and Seneca River Days. Members are invited to submit ideas to the board for causes they care about and that align with Rotary's values. The club is also always looking for projects that could be funded by our club. Not everything that comes to the board will be guaranteed to be approved, but you will be heard. Download a [Donation Request Form](#) and complete it in order to have a request added to the next board meeting agenda. If you want the club to support an existing Rotary project, work with a Rotary partner or support Rotary's Foundation, those messages can go directly to President Brian. In fact, reach out to him if you have any questions about how to submit a request for funds or idea for a project!

CLUB PRESIDENT NEEDED FOR 2024-25

Fewer meetings to run.

It will be the first year of CNY Rotary.

Lizzy will be CNY Rotary President.

It is a truly valued service to all of our members.

If you are interested in being our leader during a big year for Rotary in our region, speak to Jenny or Brian!

CLICK THE ICON BELOW TO VIEW OUR FULL MEETING SCHEDULE THROUGH JUNE 2023!



INTERACT HOSTS HANDBALL FUNDRAISER

The project leader Zach Teichler was also a Student of the Month honoree and the event included four teams with 28 teens participating.



CHARITY OF CHOICE UPDATE

Just a friendly reminder that every time you (as a member of our club) attend one of our regular meetings you will have a chance to enter into our drawing to win \$100 for a charity you treasure. There are slips at each of the meetings (when held at The Wood) that you fill out with your name and charity. If you attend via zoom you can enter your charity in the chat and someone will complete a form for you. This program is for members only and is our club's way of supporting charities you care about. Watch your newsletter each month for a round up of who has won and what charities are receiving donations in their name.

September: Jenny Doane for 100 Black Men of Syracuse
October: Janet Joslyn for 100 Black Men of Syracuse
November: Marilyn Powell to the Rescue Mission
December: Jenny Doane for Clear Path for Veterans
January: Marcia Benson for B'ville Community Food Pantry
February: Bill Rosentel for Josephs House for Women
March: to be drawn April 5th

ARE YOU ON SOCIAL MEDIA?



LOOK US UP:

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@cnyrotary

@rotary

@senecariverday

@baldwinsville.rotary

@RotaryDistrict7150

@CNYRotary

@rotary

@SenecaRiverDays

@EndPolioNow

@RotaryPresident

@EmpireMulti-DistrictPETS

FOLLOW
US!

There are a TON of Rotary resources on social platforms to help you get news from your club, our district and Rotary International. Use the links here to connect with and follow some key pages that will help you get tidbits of Rotary info in your newsfeed!

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBER

On March 7th, we inducted Nicole McManus into our club. She has already been volunteering with our Backpack Program and brought her office volunteer group in to help (see pg 5). She lives in Baldwinsville with her husband Chris and dog Bitsy. She works at United Healthcare and currently works from home.



She is an experienced volunteer and has jumped right into Rotary, attending board meetings and training events to get the lay of the land. Please introduce yourself and welcome her at upcoming meetings and events!

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Last month, we met Eli and Abby, our March Students of the Month. Eli is the president of the Environmental Club, co-captain of the swim team and he works as a camp counselor at Camp Telulli each summer. He's planning to attend SUNY ESF. Abby is an Interacter who is on student and senior council, and she works at Gino & Joe's. She likes to read and write poetry, and plans to attend a four-year college for psychology or writing. Both of them brought their proud families and it was a fun night! We have just a couple more presentations this school year, so plan to join us in celebrating our community's young leaders.

(Photo lost in text world - sorry!)

HAPPY NEWS, FUNNIES, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Beth & Pat Chetney - Apr 19

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Michelle Martin - Apr 1

Sean Becker - Apr 17

Jennifer Joslyn - Apr 22



The Backpack Program had visitors from United Healthcare as Nicole invited her coworkers to come help at the library last month. Thanks team!!!

Congratulations to our member WT Brews for their win at the New York State Craft Beer Competition, winning gold for their Stout (Non-Imperial) above 27 other entrants.



A group of Rotarians had a fun, behind-the-scenes tour of the Redhouse Theatre in downtown Syracuse, followed by dinner together at Oh My Darling. The artistic director Temar explained that this light is called the "ghost light" and it is left on all the time so the ghosts in the arts center have light for their rehearsals.



Submit your happy news (personal, professional or other) to Lizzy for future newsletters!

NEED A RIDE?



Don't forget about our Rotary Rides program to help fellow members who need a lift. Whether it's a doctor appointment, a grocery pick up or help when your car is in the shop, check out [this list](#) of Rotarians willing to give a ride and do not hesitate to call when you are in need. You can also add your name, remove your name or change your availability as needed. One more way that we can all connect and support one another!



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MEETING SCHEDULE

More details on special events will be provided via email as events draw near!

Wednesday 4/5 at Noon
Speaker Megan Kubiak on her new business MK Stationary

Tuesday 4/11 at 7pm
Students of the Month

Tuesday 4/18 from 5-7pm
Club in a Pub at Tassone's
Come when you can, leave when you have to, eat, drink and be merry

Wednesday 4/19 at Noon
FIELD TRIP: Tour the B'ville School District's New Transportation Center
2810 W Entry Rd, Baldwinsville - [click here for directions](#)
School officials will also present on the upcoming budget vote and capitol project

SATURDAY 4/22 at 8:30AM: EARTH DAY CLEAN UP (sign up [here](#))

Tuesday 4/25 at 5:30pm
Board meeting - held on zoom, open to all members

Tuesday 4/25 at 7pm
Learn about Autism Awareness Month with James Walsh

Wednesday 5/3 at Noon
Speaker Ryan McMahon, Onondaga County Executive with a county update

Tuesday 5/9 at 7pm
Students of the Month

Tuesday 5/16 from 5-7pm
Club in a Pub - Location TBA
Come when you can, leave when you have to, eat, drink and be merry

Wednesday 5/17 at Noon
Speaker Jacquie Owens, Adult Services Librarian from B'ville, will do a hands-on writing workshop for adults

Tuesday 5/23 at 5:30pm
Board meeting - held on zoom, open to all members

Tuesday 5/23 at 7pm
Club Assembly

TUESDAY 5/30: MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Share your program
ideas with our Programs
Chair Chris Walsh, at
cwalsh7@twcny.rr.com

MEETING DETAILS

All meetings are free to attend.
Food or drinks available, please order and pay at the bar.
Happy dollars are optional
Raffle is optional - tickets are \$1 each or 3 for \$2
Charity of Choice is free for members - one entry for every meeting attended
As much as possible, all meetings will be available in person and on zoom

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