

BALDWINSVILLE ROTARY CLUB NEWSLETTER AUG 2016 EDITION I EDITOR: LIZZY FLINN-BROWN



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From the president:

August is Membership Month, which means it's time to celebrate our Rotary Club, our members, and the good we do in our community and around the world. How about joining in the celebration by letting everyone in your social network know that you are a proud member of Rotary? Say it loud. Say it proud! I am a proud member of the Rotary Club of Baldwinsville! A warm welcome to our newest member Jimmy Wulforst, manager of The Red Mill Inn. We can look forward to inducting Bruce Jones and Eric Roper as new members during this Membership Month of August.

Foundation Giving Centennial Challenge

This year the Rotary International Foundation celebrates its 100th birthday. In 1916, Arch C. Klumph started the foundation with a vision of "doing good in the word" and just \$26.50. Since then we have raised millions and developed a top-ranked charitable foundation for Rotary. What does the foundation do?

- -Promotes peace
- -Fights disease
- -Provides clean water
- -Improves sanitation
- -Saves mothers & children
- -Supports education

-Grows local economies

AND SO MUCH MORE!

Do you have \$26.50? In honor of the original donation that started our foundation, all members are challenged to donate at least that amount this Rotary year. **Will you join us?**

While it is not a requirement as a Rotarian, all members are encouraged to support the RI Foundation. It's another way to participate as a global volunteer, and our district will receive the funds back in three years; which we have access to through the District Grants program. This program has funded our scholarships and the recent sign installed along the canal!

Even if you have never given before, please join us in celebrating this remarkable anniversary with your first donation. Speak to member Marcia Benson, our foundation chair, for more on how you can give!

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Senior Picnic Snapshots

Many thanks to those that volunteered to help with this year's Senior Citizen Summer Picnic. We served 150 seniors at Canton Woods a picnic-style dinner that brought many smiles to their faces. Special thanks to the committee that coordinated everything - Dawn, Ann, Jenny, Pam, Norma and Kristin.



The Newest Paul Harris Fellow



Mark Murphy, of McHarrie Life, was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow during the Senior Picnic. Mark and his staff have assisted us for many years at our senior dinner. The PHF is the highest honor given in Rotary and shows our appreciation for his help all these years!

New Reading for Fall Book Club

Our next book club book will be held on October 4 and we will be discussing "Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family" by Amy Ellis Nut. "Why IS it such a big deal to everyone what somebody has in their pants?" Excellent question, posed by an unusually astute transgender girl, the subject of Amy Ellis Nutt's emotional and illuminating Becoming Nicole. It's also a little



ironic, since Nicole's story makes a bit of a deal of it, but in a much different way than other stories we've been hearing lately, from celebrities like Caitlyn Jenner and television shows like Transparent.



The committee to plan this fall's run/walk has had their first planning meeting. They are in need of more members interested in stepping up to help with seeking sponsors, encouraging event registration and all the logistics that go into planning this fun, fall fundraiser. Is that you? Please join us at the next committee meeting on

Monday, August 22nd at 6pm at the library and get involved!

August

Tuesday, August 2

7pm @ the church **Speaker District Governor Nominee** Marv Joslyn

Tuesday, August 9

7pm @ the church Speaker Marcia Tait with Literacy CNY

Tuesday, August 16 SPECIAL EVENT

Join us for the ribbon cutting to celebrate a new sign and benches we sponsored along the canal. 6:30pm on Marble Street Refreshments to follow at Canal Walk Cafe

Tuesday, August 23

7pm @ the church Speaker Michelle Kasprzak with PEACE

Tuesday, August 30

7pm @ the church **Speaker Marianne Miles** on "Thomas Butler"

Wednesday, August 3

12:15pm @ the church Speaker Melissa Sanderson **Mentoring Program**

Wednesday, August 10

12:15pm @ the church Speaker Jeff Wright with Move Along

Wednesday, August 17

12:15pm @ The Red Mill Inn Speaker Amy August on Cystic Fibrosis

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL LOCATION ONE DAY ONLY

Wednesday, August 24

12:15pm @ the church Speaker Teresa Golden with the STAR Program

Wednesday, August 31

12:15pm @ the church Speaker Patrick O'Neal on **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**



August 31: Deadline for early registration for District Conference October 8: Rotary Leadership Institute in Verona, NY **October 25: Charter Night** October 29: Rotary Ledaership Institute in Canandaigua, NY November 6: District Foundation Brunch November 12: 5K Run/Walk for Hunger **December 6: Date Night**

Submit your ideas for programs to Don Distasio at <u>donald.distasio@gmail.com</u> or Kristin Earle at kmlearle@gmail.com