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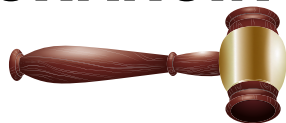
Well, here we are. It's my final newsletter note to all of you. This has truly been a year for our club's record book in terms of membership, new projects and just plain survival. With the formation of the Liverpool Satellite Club and our fun membership contest last fall (remember 2019, forever ago?), we added over 20 new members this year. Hopefully some of them eventually break off into their own, full-fledged club, but for now we are all technically B'ville Rotarians! And even with several of our planned projects getting sidetracked due to coronavirus, we still did and are doing a lot. We may have nixed the bed build, Earth Day clean up and Seneca River Days, but we expanded our Backpack Program to more than 20 times what it was pre-pandemic in order to address immediate community need. We also still pick up bread for the food pantry every single week. Even in an organization that is over 100 years old, a pandemic is a rare event to need to overcome. If it weren't for technology, it would have been nearly impossible to stay connected. I imagine we would have handed out post cards for everyone to send to one another or something! Instead, we get to see each other on video,

all together, laughing and smiling, multiple times each week. Early on, during the adjustment to our stay-at-home lives, that was really important human connection for many of us. As time has gone by and we've re-sorted our schedules, more and more members are making time for our meetings. I hope the trend continues, no matter what form the meetings will take as we start to dip our toes into socially distant, in-person gatherings. Give Doug and his incoming leadership team your patience in navigating a whole new set of challenges, so we can keep Rotary accessible and safe for every comfort level. As I transition out of the role of president, I'll be moving back into the role of secretary, so this isn't the last you'll be hearing from me. I love serving this club alongside all of you and cannot wait to thank you all from the bottom of my heart at the upcoming Changing of the Guard. Please plan to join us, even if it means asking the spouse to help with bedtime for the kids, or having dinner a little early, or even staying up past your bed time. It will be virtual, but we'll be doing something special to make it fun. Many people's work went into the success of our club in an unprecedented year and they deserve recognition at this special event! Be well and see you soon friends!

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD



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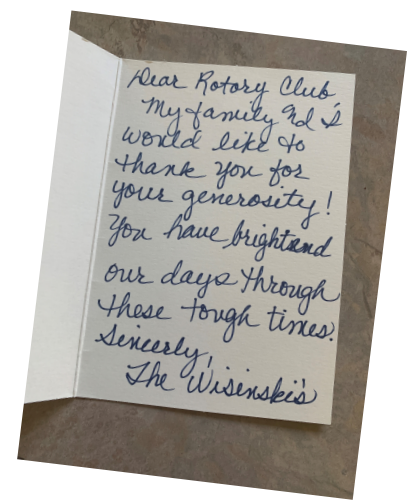
TUES, JUNE 30 AT 7PM

In order to be accessible to all during this time of transition from stay-at-home to gradual re-opening, our annual Changing of the Guard event will be broadcast virtually for all to attend. Link will be emailed to all!

***Join us to honor our outgoing leadership,
welcome our new leaders and celebrate
with some awards and fun!***

BACKPACK PROGRAM TO FINISH OUT SCHOOL YEAR - FUTURE TBD

Our biggest program during the pandemic is about to come to an end. We've been delivering 630 bags of breakfast and snack items for children in our community each week and plan to finish out the school year (thru June 12). The future of the program is being discussed and we'll be exploring if there are any needs that we can meet through the summer. To the right you will see a beautiful thank you note that we received from a family. Be proud and brag to people you know about how your Rotary Club is meeting community needs even during this difficult time!



COVID-19 RESPONSE IN DOMINICA INCLUDES ROTARIANS



One of our members hails from the island of Dominica, so this article caught our eye. Thankfully the island's swift actions resulted in minimal impact from coronavirus! Their local Rotary Club showed their appreciation to the people on the front lines - police, fire fighters and nurses - by presenting them with some pretty substantial gifts. [Click here](#) for an article in their local news about the club's generosity!

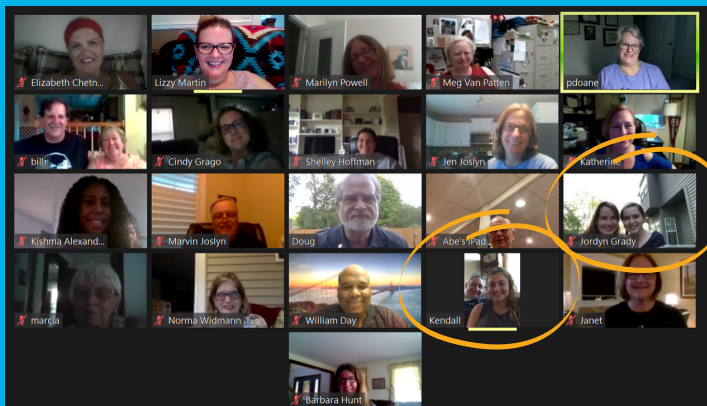
WRITE YOUR ROTARY RESOLUTIONS

July 1 is a new year in Rotary, so if you are looking for a second chance at making and keeping a New Year's resolution, it's your lucky day! A lot of things change on July 1 - new presidents and leadership teams, memberships renew, we have a new annual theme. You can take this as an opportunity to change too. You get out of Rotary, what you put into Rotary. If you want more, it's there for you, and if you are ready to take a rest after a big commitment, you can do that too. Here are some easy ideas for Rotary Resolutions, but definitely come up with your own, attainable and measurable goal. Then come up with your action plan to achieve it!

ROTARY RESOLUTION IDEAS:

- Attend 3 meetings each month
- Join a Think Tank discussion for the first time
- Give \$25 more to the foundation this year
- Wear my Rotary pin every day
- Tell more of my friends about what exactly I do in Rotary
- Invite at least three people to a meeting this year

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH RETURNS - MORE TO COME IN JUNE!



Amazing young leaders returned to our meetings with a virtual awards ceremony for our Students of the Month. We got to meet Jordyn Grady and Kendall Carni - two impressive young ladies on excellent paths. Jordyn wants to get into teaching and working with young kids, and Kendall plans to study biology so she can go on to become a Physician Assistant. Miss it and want to learn more? You're in luck! We recorded it for you. [Click here](#) to review the tape! It was fun to see them and their parents on our zoom screens (circled in yellow). We will have another student joining us Wed., June 3rd at our noon meeting and the remaining three at our Tues., June 16th meeting. Hope you can join us!

OUR SKILLS IN FIGHTING POLIO HELP WITH THE PANDEMIC

As the US starts to reopen, we hear more about contact tracing in order to identify where an outbreak originated so all impacted can be notified and treated accordingly. This is an important part of fighting polio in endemic countries and our Rotary volunteers working to end polio have just the right skills to help out. Over 6,200 volunteers in Pakistan will now trace COVID-19 alongside their work on polio. Pakistan has also opened up a help line for people with concerns about the virus that our polio workers are able to assist on and the polio communications teams that typically combats misinformation about vaccines are helping combat misinformation about the pandemic too. Years of tracing and communication skills have also been helpful when a couple of cases of COVID-19 were found in Nigeria, and Afghanistan is truly collaborating between the government, health agencies and non-government agencies like Rotary to be proactive. [Click here](#) to learn more about what we are doing in polio endemic countries and beyond!

This article was picked up from your District Newsletter, May 2020

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**THE 2020 ROTARY
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20-26 June 2020 | Starting 1 May, learn more at riconvention.org

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2020 ROTARY
VIRTUAL
CONVENTION
20-26 JUNE

After cancelling the in-person convention in Hawaii, Rotary International is bringing us great programming virtually that is FREE for all Rotarians to attend!

General Sessions on Saturday 6/20 and Sunday 6/21

Breakout Sessions 6/22-6/26

Choose the topics that interest you!

SIGN UPS COMING SOON

View the full breakout schedule and starting planning your virtual convention at riconvention.org

THINK TANK DISCUSSION

TUESDAY, JUNE 2 AT 7PM

Join us for a discussion on the article "Nature & Nurture" from the April edition of The Rotarian Magazine, about global grants in Costa Rica.

[Click here](#) to read the article online.

Our Think Tank discussions are fun and interesting, and a unique way to get to know one another. Everyone takes away something different from each article and we have very good discussion each month. If you have never joined us for this event before, please give it a shot! By discussing a magazine article, the reading material is short and often the topics can be easy to jump into even if you don't get a chance to read up!

HAPPY MEMBER NEWS

Exciting news for member Sally Fedrizzi and her husband Pete. They are new grandparents and that makes several new sets in our club this year! The family welcomed baby Oliver on Thursday, May 28th and that's also a special day for the newborn's great, great grandmother - her 101st birthday! What a special day for the whole family. Welcome to the world baby Oliver - can someone get him a membership pamphlet?



TRACKING OUR GIVING

- \$500 for a Community Calendar
- \$1,100 pre-approved for Charity of Choice
- \$100 to RI Foundation in honor of DG Randy, presented at his visit
- \$500 to Baker Model UN Club
- Approx. \$1,000 to Senior Picnic
- \$240 to sponsor shipping a pallet for Books for the World
- Approx \$1,100 towards Pride of Workmanship program
- \$500 Volunteer Center Christmas Bureau
- VFW Food Pantry amount TBD
- \$100 Rose Bowl Parade Float
- \$500 to YMCA Youth & Gov't Club
- \$500 to Vera House
- \$1,000 to Trivia for Charity
- up to \$500 for Liverpool Satellite Rotary Club start up funds
- \$3,500 Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bed Build
- \$500 The MOST's Sensory Friendly Days
- \$2,000 for four scholarships
- \$250 for Colonial Days
- \$150 for brick at Shacksboro Museum
- \$1,500 for Maureen's Hope
- \$500 to Keep The Ball Rolling After Prom Party
- \$300 for three students - Syr Sunrise Music Fest
- \$1,000 for Erin's Angels
- \$100 Women's Garden Club Hanging Baskets
- \$500 Interact Student Grant
- \$1,000 Make-A-Wish CNY
- Backpack Program funding final total TBD, approx. \$7,000

Check here each month for an update and running tally of charitable donations and community spending that the board has recently approved!

REMINDER: DUES DUE 6/15

Just a reminder that everyone's dues for renewing their membership are due by Monday, June 15th. We sent invoices on May 1st and again on May 23rd, but if you still need one or you need a customized one please contact Lizzy right away. There are two ways to pay - by check in the mail or via PayPal. We also offer the option to pay annually or in two installments. See your email for details!

It's really important to the club that we know who is renewing and who is not, so that we can update our database. We are charged for dues from Rotary International and the district based on how many members we have in our database. Since the club only keeps about \$16 of your dues, you can imagine that having to pay for someone who ultimately doesn't renew is very costly to us. Communication with president Lizzy, president elect Doug or any member of the membership committee is your first step if you have any concerns about meeting deadline or paying dues. The membership committee includes Abe, Dave, Janet, Katie and William.

As was stated in your invoice emails, we recognize that this is a very different time for many of us. My hope is that you see your membership in Rotary as a way to stay connected to others, a place to escape from some of the crazy in the world and where you can come together to help others. Whether it's virtually or, hopefully sometime soon in person, that is what Rotary will provide for you, always. Your membership experience is really important to club leadership and we hope that you find value far beyond the cost of membership in our club!

OUR BACKWARDS MEETING

Thanks to Marv for a fun, first-ever backwards meeting. Everything was topsy-turvy, upside down and inside out for our members, from our attire to our meeting agenda. We had a great time pronouncing our names backwards, sharing "unhappy dollars," and playing some fun games and trivia. Never a dull moment at a B'ville Rotary meeting!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARIANNE MILES 6/7

BETH CHETNEY 6/11



Meeting Schedule

JUNE

TUESDAY, JUNE 2 AT 7PM - THINK TANK - NATURE & NURTURE

Learn how global grants are transforming economies and families. [Click here](#) to read this article from your April Rotarian Magazine.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3 AT NOON - SPEAKER MAYOR DICK CLARKE

PLUS we will have one Student of the Month presentation!

TUESDAY, JUNE 9 - BOARD MEETING AT 5:30PM

AT 7PM SPEAKER ROBIN MACK, OWNER OF SWEET DREAMS CANDY SHOPPE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10 AT NOON - SPEAKER (AND MEMBER) DR. JAMIE BODENLOS ON A HEALTHY MIND

TUESDAY, JUNE 16 AT 7PM - STUDENTS OF THE MONTH - THE 2020 FINALE!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17 AT NOON - PAM MILAC WITH BALDWINVILLE HELPING BALDWINVILLE

TUESDAY, JUNE 23 AT 7PM - CLUB IN A PUB VIRTUAL

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24 AT NOON - SPEAKER (AND MEMBER) SEAN BECKER ON TOASTMASTERS

TUESDAY, JUNE 30 AT 7PM - CHANGING OF THE GUARD - FAREWELL ROTARY YEAR 2019/2020!

WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Many thanks to the district for lending us their Zoom account to use for all of our meetings.

You will receive a unique link for each meeting, emailed the day of that meeting. You can share these with someone through email when inviting them to join us, but please do not post publicly (like on Facebook) in order to keep our meeting space secure.

Please be aware of background noise and mute your audio when you are not speaking. The only exception would be during Club in a Pub, when the meeting is strictly social and we want everyone to participate freely. Buttons for muting your audio and video are in the bottom left of the screen on Zoom. Double check anytime that you want to speak or you are called upon to speak that you UNMUTE yourself too!

"Happy Dollars" are now our virtual opportunity to share our blessings and challenges. It's a time to let each other know what we need, how we are finding joy and if we are struggling. Sometimes just letting it out makes you feel better, and many of us are experiencing the same feelings. Please set aside your dollars for when we come back together again!

You are welcome to invite guests, potential members, family and friends to join us in these online meetings. Many are looking for ways to connect during this time and our virtual environment is a very kind and caring place to be!

And always remember, if you can't get the Zoom video stuff to work, you can always just call in to the phone number provided and use the meeting ID to participate that way!