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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

October has been an exciting month for our Rotary club and our district. We once again had excellent speakers, talking about whales, renovating the Statue of Liberty, the new Animal Health Center at the zoo, B'ville flower history, local B'ville business Bee You Nutrition. We also had an interact student from VVS speak about the upcoming Interact Conference in Calgary as she is part of the planning committee, and had two very interesting Students of the Month. So, as you see our programs committee have been knocking it out of the park this year, providing many excellent reasons not to miss a meeting.

The month didn't end there. We had two great events to finish it out with the Polio Plus multi-district dinner and our District Conference. Both were enhanced by Jennifer Jones, the Rotary International President-Elect, who spoke in person each day. She is a remarkable woman and we are definitely in great hands as she takes on the RI President role next July. She will be the first female RI President, but more importantly she is the right person to lead this organization.

As November starts let's remember it is the month of giving, so please keep the Rotary Foundation and the Polio Plus efforts in your consideration. We are getting very close to eradicating polio, with only two cases recorded so far this year, but it takes three years of zero cases to claim success. Funds are still needed to get there.

We are also looking forward to our Charter Night dinner on Sunday Nov 7th, this is our 49th year as a club. I'm expecting it will be a fantastic, fun-filled event. Dana Jerrard, our District Governor will be in attendance.

We have received feedback on the virtual part of our hybrid meetings, mostly that it was hard to hear people on Zoom. The club has listened and we have purchased a headset mic and a wide-angle camera to make the Zoom experience better. We plan to keep our meetings hybrid for some time.

As we move into the Thanksgiving season, please keep in mind all the things we are thankful for each day. They strongly outweigh the negatives, but are often overlooked.

Sincerely,
Club President Bill Rosentel

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WE WANT YOUR NEWS

Club members are encouraged to submit news for the newsletter each month. It could be something happy from your personal life, an update from a committee you lead or a question for the new Ask Rotary feature.

Send to Lizzy or
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by the 25th of each month.



MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

In October, the club inducted two new members - Laurie Zahn and Robin Mack. Get to know them with some fun facts here and be sure to introduce yourself if you see them at an upcoming meeting or special event.

Laurie is a realtor with Howard Hanna who recently relocated here from the Rochester area. Her daughter Megan is an ICU nurse in the Buffalo area and her partner Harry is a local woodworker. If she could travel anywhere, she would want to go to Africa to watch the great migration, but for now she is spending her time gardening, decorating, boating and spending time with family, which includes her miniature pinschers Petey and Gracie.

Robin is probably best known as the owner and proprietor of Sweet Dream Candy Shoppe in the village. She has three kids (who are all grown up) and three dogs, and her husband's name is Tim (see photo). The last show she binge-watched was Maid and she can't go without her one cup of coffee each morning. Some things that are very "Robin" are prosecco and MacKenzie Childs.

Welcome to Rotary Laurie and Robin. We look forward to volunteering with you!



Laurie Zahn



Robin Mack

HOW TO SUPPORT US WITH amazon smile

You shop. Amazon gives.

While many prefer to shop local, we know the convenience of Amazon is popular for finding gifts this time of year; especially when sending gifts to family out of state. Did you know that you can support Baldwinsville Rotary while shopping on Amazon through the Amazon Smile program? Visit smile.amazon.com, log in with your Amazon account and search to choose your charity of choice. Search for the Baldwinsville Rotary Foundation to choose us! Most sellers on Amazon offer a percentage of your purchase to go to charity through this program and it costs you nothing extra. Always go to smile.amazon.com when shopping and they will automatically send any eligible funds to the charity you have chosen. This program has raised hundreds for our foundation over the years and could raise more if more members participate!

POLIO DAY & CONFERENCE WRAP-UP

All the Baldwinsville Rotarians who attended the World Polio Day Dinner and/or the Conference of Clubs reported back about how nice it was to come together in person and that the presenters were all fantastic. Both events were held in Liverpool the last weekend of October with the World Polio Day Dinner taking place first, on Friday evening. It included Rotarians from across upstate New York and four Rotary districts. Keynote speaker Rotary International President-Elect Jennifer Jones traveled from Rotary headquarters with her husband to be part of the festivities. She has been the lead on many successful fundraisers to help End Polio Now, is well-informed on the efforts as a Rotary International Trustee and has participated in immunization events around the world. Her way of addressing the group is intimate, moving and leaves a lasting impact on those in attendance. The District Governors of the four Empire districts pulled together their resources to present her with a donation of \$155,000 to End Polio Now. With the matching funds from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, that amount will grow to almost half a million dollars! Saturday morning, in the same conference room, just our district came together for our annual conference, which District Governor Dana deemed the Conference of Clubs. The day celebrated the work of our clubs and the support our district leaders lend to them. It started with another address from Jennifer Jones at breakfast, inspiring us once again with her humility, experience and care. It was a great opportunity to snag a photo with the future leader of our organization (see the THREE Jennifers below!). Throughout the day, attendees heard from past youth exchange students, clubs that are celebrating 75 years of service and the new Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee that will be visiting clubs in the coming months. There were a lot of opportunities to socialize and visit the House of Friendship with an extended lunch hour. Our display in the House of Friendship highlighted the Backpack Program and was put together by Meg and Mary - thanks to them both. Hopefully Rotarians enjoyed our free raisins! The next conference won't be until the first weekend of May in 2023, when we will hopefully be past the pandemic and can fully enjoy the Thousand Islands Resort in Clayton, NY. Please save that weekend so you can join in the fun!



Left: The Three Jennifers - Jennifer Joslyn, Jennifer Jones and Jennifer Holman

Middle: Lizzy's "End Polio" hair clips

Right: Presenting RIPE Jennifer Jones with a check for \$155,000 to fight polio



ASK ROTARY

QUESTION: What is the "Old Newsboys" and what does our club do for them?

ANSWER: The Old Newsboys' Hope for the Holidays program started 90 years ago with newspaper delivery kids collecting donations to provide families who needed help heating their homes in the winter. It later transformed to collecting money for toys, and is now a partner with the United Way and Salvation Army to support their annual Christmas Bureau that provides food, toys and books for thousands of families in need in Onondaga County each holiday. One part of the program that continues on is the idea of hawking newspapers, which are donated by The Post-Standard as something to "trade" in the community in exchange for donations. People can give as little or as much as they want in order to get a copy of the paper that day and all of it goes to the Christmas Bureau. To get the papers out there, groups like our Rotary Club set up stations at area locations that are high traffic so we can connect with the community. You will find hawkers at the mall, at coffee shops and gas stations, grocery stores and diners. Many are part of teams, so there is a little bit of a competitive element. The only other local Rotary Club participating has historically been DeWitt Rotary, who beats us by hawking longer hours and at more locations. The number of places we can be depends solely on how many Rotarians want to volunteer for a one-hour shift on a Friday and/or Saturday morning to help out. There is no shortage of locations or newspapers - all can be arranged! This year's Hope for the Holidays collection will be Friday 12/10 and Saturday 12/11 and we'll plan on at least being at our usual location of the Dunkin on Genesee Street in the village. In addition to it being for a great cause, it's simple to do, allows for social distancing, and is really fun because you get to spread holiday cheer in the community we love. Sign up for a shift [here](#). Grab a family member, friend or fellow Rotarian to join you - it's fun for all ages. Training, tips and additional information will be made available when the event draws near. Direct any further questions to Lizzy!

Submit your Ask Rotary questions to Lizzy. They can be on any Rotary-related topic!

Email to emartin@advancemediany.com

CHARITY OF CHOICE UPDATE

WINNERS SO FAR...

July - Lizzy

Juvenile Diabetes
Research Foundation

August - Lizzy

YWCA of Syracuse

September - Laurie

Make A Wish
Foundation of CNY

October - Marcia

Doctors Without Borders

Are you remembering to enter your Charity of Choice? This program is a perk of membership that could earn your favorite cause a \$100 donation. For every meeting you attend (in person or online!) you get an entry to win. If you are there in person there are slips you can complete with your name and charity, and if you are joining online you can put your charity in the chat so someone can complete a slip on your behalf. It is free for members to participate. At the last meeting of the month we draw the winner and send their charity a check in their name. The purpose of this program is to ensure the club is supporting causes our members care about. Think there is something we could do more for your cause than the \$100 donation? Bring that request to the board for consideration!

MEETING PROTOCOL

\$1 to attend (max \$1 per week)

If you want food or drinks at either meeting, please order and pay at the bar. View the menu [here](#).

Happy dollars are optional

Raffle is optional - tickets are \$1 each or 3 for \$2

Charity of Choice is free for members - you get one entry for every meeting you attend

Virtual attendees can put their charity in the chat to be entered for their chance to win

Use the purple post-it on your name badge to indicate no hugs or hand shakes

Virtual attendees are asked to submit their meeting and happy dollars too



WE ASK YOU TO MASK, PLEASE

They are required for anyone who is unvaccinated and requested for anyone else. The health of our members and guests is what is most important. Be sure to zoom into a meeting if you have any symptoms or have been around someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

NEED ROTARY GEAR? SHOP HERE.

We get many questions from members about where they can get Rotary attire. Hats, shirts, bags, pins.

Sometimes we lose them, some have never had them, some just want more and different items to wear. We encourage wearing properly branded Rotary items. Be proud that you are a member and show it off! The best place to get an item you know will represent Rotary well is from Russell Hampton - the official partner of Rotary. Shop at www.bestclubsupplies.com.

If you want to customize your item to feature the Baldwinsville Rotary logo, please connect with Lizzy for the proper logo for your item.



Baldwinsville



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HAPPY Birthday

Lizzy Martin - Nov 5
Barb Stone - Nov 6
Marv Joslyn - Nov 11
Doug Tosh - Nov 25

Happy anniversary

John & Joanne LaCasse
Nov 21

Don't see your birthday or anniversary listed? We're probably missing that information about you. Submit details to Lizzy at emartin@advancemediany.com.

DONATIONS COMMITTEE

The new Donations Committee has formed and will be reaching out soon with the first charity that we will gather donations for before the end of this calendar year. This new committee will take the lead on collecting items we all might have extras of or need to rehome that will help others in need. Contact Lizzy Martin if you wish to help out or join in. Thanks to the charter committee members Tori, Jennifer H., Marcia and Pam.



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B'VILLE INTERACT UPDATE

Interact Club is in full swing. New advisors at the high school, Bev DiCocco and Andrew McGlynn, ran a successful club fair. Students are energized. Here is what has happened in about 10 weeks. Fall service has included:

- Assisting with grounds maintenance at Taste of Baldwinsville event
- Successful Interact recruitment @ Baker Club Fair - over 40 members
- Supporting Interactor Ethan Hettler meet and exceed Eagle Scout project goals at a Sleep In Heavenly Peace bed build (photo on left)
- Holding a candy drive @ Baker High School to send Troops overseas 'sweet support'
- B'ville Library's Annual Book Sale preparation (photo on right)
- Washed windows of village business that supported annual Halloween Window Painting contest
- Planning to assist Rotary Backpack program; bag filling



SAVE THESE SPECIAL DATES

Nov 23: Battle of the Clubs - B'ville vs. Fulton Game Night

Come to our regular 7pm meeting for a fun challenge with fellow Rotarians from Fulton

Nov 25: Turkey Trot Backpack Program Food Collection

If you are available on Thanksgiving Day, contact Mary Schmutz to help transport food donations from Baker High School to the library

Nov 27: Parade of Lights Hospitality Booth

Connect with Ken Schmidt if you wish to assist in serving up food at this year's event

Dec 10 & 11: Old Newsboys

Plan to register for a one-hour shift to help hawk newspapers for charity (see pg 2)

Dec 13: Membership Webinar: Member Orientation

Watch for an invitation to learn about a new addition to Rotary orientation in our district

Date TBD: Club Holiday Gathering

Watch for news about a Christmas party of sorts, coming soon. Speak to President Bill if you wish to assist with the planning of this event!

MEETING & EVENT SCHEDULE

NOV 2021

Tuesday, 11/2 @ 7pm
Think Tank Discussion

We will be discussing the recent supply chain issues that have impacted the availability of many of our food and consumer goods - [click here](#) to read the article and join us for discussion.

Wednesday, 11/3 @ 12pm
Mark Kenville

Learn about ConnectLife - the eye and tissue bank

Tuesday, 11/9@ 5:30pm

@7pm

Club Board Meeting - members welcome

Students of the Month - a monthly cub event honoring students who exemplify the values of Rotary. Come meet their families and celebrate with cake. Don't miss this!

Wednesday, 11/10 @ 12pm
Mark Powell

Hear how the Syracuse Crunch hockey team is doing so far this season and what's in store for their team

Tuesday, 11/16 5-7pm
Club in a Pub

Location to be announced. Join us for an informal, social evening. Come when you can, leave when you have to. Eat, drink and be merry!

Wednesday, 11/17 @ 12pm
Walter Stein

Learn about the services that Hope for the Bereaved provides to people of all ages

Tuesday, 11/23 @ 7pm
Battle of the Clubs

Come out for a fun game night against members of the Fulton Rotary Club

Wednesday, 11/24 @ 12pm
Thanksgiving Eve

Come share what you are thankful for this year

Thursday, 11/25

Happy Thanksgiving everyone! 

Tuesday, 11/30 @ 7pm
Damian Pratt

Learn about Juvenile Justice and Detention Services in Onondaga County

Remember to submit your program ideas to Programs Chair Barb Hunt, bhunt@nscsd.org

DEC 2021

Looking ahead we will have another Club in a Pub, Student of the Month the second Tuesday, a Christmas party, some festive meeting programs and our end of the year winter break between the holidays.

