BALDWINSVILLE ROTARY NEWSLETTER



50 Years of Service

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Are you on a committee?
Are you on the board?
Did you take a photo at a recent club gathering?
Have happy news to share?
Submit your articles, news and photos to the editor by the 25th of each month.



FROM THE DESK OF PRESIDENT BRIAN:

My theme for the 2022-23 Rotary year is the 3 C's: Collaboration, Cooperation, and Communication. The first C is Collaboration. Our club is made up of so many differently talented people and my vision is to have these talents come together to benefit the whole. Next is Cooperation. The success of any organization is its members' ability to cooperate with each other in order to have their collective talents shine. The third C is communication, possibly the most important concept. This is the ability to communicate, not only to express your talents, but also to listen to talents conveyed by others. These concepts do not and cannot work independently. Our club's success relies on all three concepts working together to reach our common goals.

We are already one month into our Rotary year! We've had Club in the Pub at San Miguels, a presentation by Ben Gerardi about the Baldwinsville Oktoberfest and an interesting visit and tour of the historic Syracuse Press building. During this month we were also able to build and organize the committees necessary to complete our tasks. We are grateful to have Christine Walsh leading and working hard with our Program Committee to bring us "irresistible" programs throughout the year.

What talents will YOU bring to our Rotary table?

Carpe Diem, Brian E Walsh

SIGN UP, SIGN UP, SIGN UP

We have sign ups for all of the remaining August meetings and events so we can coordinate food, volunteers and cornhole teams. Be sure to check out each one and add your name where applicable. We hope you will be joining us both in service at the Senior Picnic and to have fun together at the backyard picnic and cornhole tournament!

BACKYARD PICNIC Tues 8/16 at Sally's See pg 2 for details SENIOR PICNIC
Wed 8/24 at Canton Woods
See pg 2 for details

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT Tues 8/30 at The Wood See pg 3 for details

SIGN UP

VOLUNTEER HERE

REGISTER YOUR TEAM

DISH-TO-PASS PICNIC FOR ALL

We hope all members and their guests will pop by for a social evening hosted by Sally Fedrizzi. It will be a dish-to-pass picnic in her backyard, so just bring your lawn chair and some food to share. We've done this many times over the years and it is a very nice way to spend an evening together. Plus, many of our members are very good cooks and bakers! Please add your name to the sign-up so we can have an idea of how many to anticipate. We ask you to also include what you are bringing, but that could be just "dessert" or "salad" if you aren't 100% sure yet. Keep in mind that you can just show up if your schedule frees up last minute as the sign-up is just a guide and not a requirement.

Backyard Picnic Tuesday, August 16th from 5:30-7:30pm 2563 Ellsworth Rd, Baldwinsville

SIGN UP HERE

IN ORDER TO LIVE IN THE KIND OF SOCIETY YOU WANT, YOU HAVE TO BUILD IT.



Rotary International President Jennifer Jones

SERVING OPPORTUNITY: SENIOR PICNIC 2022

For decades, Baldwinsville Rotary has served a meal to local senior citizens as part of a special event that includes entertainment and door prizes. It used to be held during the holidays, but in more recent years has become more of a summer picnic, held indoors for the comfort of our guests. The club purchases picnic sides, drinks and desserts, while members grill hot dogs and hamburgers. Servers take orders from the seniors so they can bring them their plates and seniors aren't having to navigate a buffet line. The whole event is generally 3-4 hours of our time and it spreads a lot of cheer. We hope everyone can rally to volunteer at this year's event. Details and volunteer sign up below. Be sure to add your name to all parts of the event you want to be at. For example, if you plan on being there the whole time, choose to be part of set up, service and clean up by adding your name in all three spots. Of course it is also perfectly acceptable to come help with one aspect of the event since it is during the work day for many of us! This year's chairperson is Meg VanPatten, so please reach out to her if you have any questions: megv@bville.lib.ny.us.

Senior Picnic Wednesday, August 24 Canton Woods Senior Center 76 Canton Street, Baldwinsville

Volunteers will be required to wear masks when inside the venue for the safety and comfort of our guests

VOLUNTEER HERE

THE FUTURE OF ROTARY IN OUR REGION

As many members are now aware, in July of 2024 the Syracuse, Binghamton and Albany Rotary Districts will be coming together. It was announced this past spring, the district has held a couple of town halls to field questions and our District Governor Jerry recently spoke about it at his official visit to our club in July. The process of bringing together these three districts and all their committees is no easy task. Work has already begun so that we are going into 2024 with plans in place. In fact, you will already start to see some coordination between our groups well before we officially become one. The first step in this process was a weekend-long retreat for planning the basic structure and timeline for coordination. The steering committee is made up of leadership from across the three districts, past, current and future, with many passionate and knowledgeable Rotarians guiding us. Moving forward our region will be called CNY Rotary and this is our vision statement: CNY Rotary unites, educates, and inspires people in our communities to take action and create lasting change. You can learn more about the committee's work at www.cnyrotary.org and you can follow <u>CNY Rotary on Facebook</u>. Be sure to read your district newsletter each month for their latest update as well. If you have additional questions, you can also always speak to Lizzy directly.





INTERACT AWARD PRESENTED

Last month we noted that our club gave out so many scholarships that we couldn't get all the photos delivered in time for the July newsletter. Here is graduating senior and Interact member Tara Casson being presented her \$500 scholarship, awarded for being a dedicated leader in Baldwinsville Interact. Left to right in this photo: Interact Liaison Katie Reap, Past President Bill Rosentel, Tara and Interact Co-Chair Beverly DiCocco. Congratulations Tara and we hope you continue serving others in the next chapter of your life!





INAUGURAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Join us for some friendly competition throwing bags at The Wood on Tuesday, August 30th. Check in for teams will be at 5:30pm. Come up with a team name and be sure to tell us who exactly is on your team with the sign up below, including contact information for the team captain. This will be a tournament-style event with only the winning teams advancing to the next round. These will be two-person teams and house rules will be posted prior to play. Rotarians are free to pair up, bring a friend, spouse or family member, and this is open to Rotarians from all over. All cornhole bags and boards will be provided, so you just have to show up for the fun! Please direct any questions to Lizzy at emartin@advancemediany.com or (315) 470-2107

REGISTER YOUR TEAM

WE ARE TURNING 50 - SAVE THE DATE!

Our club will be celebrating 50 years of community service in Baldwinsville and around the world on Friday, October 14th. Please reserve that evening so you can join us for this milestone event. *Details coming soon!*

CHARITY OF CHOICE REMINDER

Just a friendly reminder that every time you 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.



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!

HAPPY NEWS, FUNNIES, BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Ken Schmidt spotted a cool Rotary rock featuring our Four Way Test while at Niagara on the Lake





Katie Reap reconnected with past exchange student Jo Dole over some ice cream when she passed through CNY on a visit to the states



Our group enjoyed Mexican cuisine at San Miguel's for club in a pub



PEOPLE AT THE BEACH.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Jenny Doane - Aug 4 Frieda Weeks - Aug 17 Scott Northrup - Aug 22 Meg VanPatten - Aug 23 Joan Patchett - Aug 24

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Johnnie-Lynn & Paul Fioramonti - Aug 5 Ann & Jim Smiley - Aug 11 Brian & Chris Walsh - Aug 12 Marcia & Dick Benson - Aug 26

Watch your email for an invite to update our birthday and anniversary database so our Sunshine Committee gets you all the well wishes you deserve!

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

MEETING INFORMATION

No more dollar meeting fee

Food or drinks available, please order and pay at the bar. View the menu here.

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

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

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

Virtual attendees can send in happy dollars via Venmo @BvilleRotary or just bring to their next in-person meeting

2022-23 BOARD MEMBERS

President: Brian Walsh President Elect: Jenny Doane Immediate Past President: Bill Rosentel Secretary: Lizzy Martin

Treasurer: Bruce Stebbins

Board Members: Jennifer Holman, Katie Reap, Mary Schmutz and Lynn Rosentel

Board meetings are moving to the fourth Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm (prior to regular meeting). They will continue to be hybrid as needed. Remember that board meetings are open to all members unless in executive session (which is rare). Speak to anyone on the board if you have questions or wish to attend

ROTARY'S DEI CODE OF CONDUCT

At Rotary, we're committed to treating everyone with dignity and respect, allowing everyone's voice to be heard, and providing equitable opportunities for fellowship, service, and leadership. Rotary International's Board approved a new Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion code of conduct that reflects our core values. It provides a supportive framework for how Rotary members can create and maintain an environment that is collaborative, positive, and healthy for everyone. Although free expression is important, what we say and how we behave matter. Rotary does not tolerate speech or behavior that promotes bias, discrimination, prejudice, or hatred because of age, ethnicity, race, color, disabilities, religion, socioeconomic status, culture, sex, sexual orientation, or gender identity. All Rotary leaders, from club presidents and district governors to directors and trustees, are expected to apply the DEI code of conduct uniformly by taking responsibility for how their words and actions may affect others. Click here to learn what to do if you observe behavior that violates this code at any level of Rotary.

The DEI code of conduct asks Rotary members to:

- Use respectful language
- Be supportive
- Foster a welcoming and inclusive environment
- Celebrate diversity

Click here to learn more



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MEETING SCHEDULE

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

Tuesday 8/2 from 5-7pm Club in a Pub at BG1

Wednesday 8/10 at 6:30pm Syracuse Mets Baseball Game Tickets must have been purchased in advance

Tuesday 8/16 at 5:30pm Backyard picnic at Sally's house - sign up <u>here</u> Details on page 2

BOARD MEETING - TUES 8/23 at 5:30PM

Wednesday 8/24 from 2:30-6pm
Serve our local seniors by volunteering at the Senior Picnic at Canton Woods
Click here to sign up for a task

Tuesday 8/30 starting at 5:30pm Inaugural Baldwinsville Rotary Cornhole Tournament Click here to register your two-person team

Tuesday 9/6 at 7pm
Think Tank Discussion with Sally
Meeting at The Wood

Wednesday 9/7 at Noon Speaker Sheila Dion with <u>Erin's Angels</u> Meeting at The Wood

Tuesday 9/13 at 7pm
Speaker Al Amin Muhammed, Founder of We Rise Above the Streets
Meeting at The Wood

Wednesday 9/14 at Noon Speaker Dr. Jamie Bodenlos (a member!) on Staying Healthy, Inspired and Driven Meeting at The Wood

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

SAVE THESE DATES TOO!

Saturday, Sept 24th - Rotary Leadership Institute at VVS High School Friday, Oct 14th - B'ville Rotary's 50th Birthday Party

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