

# From President Ann...

Well, it's July and the start of a new Rotary year and me as your President. We have a great board and I look forward to working with each of them and to the fun and challenges ahead. The theme this year is Light Up Rotary - does Rotary light your life up? Please let me know some



new and different things we might do to fit this theme and also how you can help to achieve it. In the weeks ahead we will be discussing what YOU are looking to get out of Rotary this year and also what you are willing to give. There are committees to fill, fun things to plan, speakers to obtain, members to recruit and retain and much more. Your input is important to the club - be a part of it's success! Last week we had a wonderful changing of the guard - a perfect send off and thanks to Sean for his year as president. If you weren't there, be sure to reach out to Sean and thank him for his service to our club and community!

Have a wonderful and safe July 4th - I am confident that the fireworks as part of Seneca River Day and the 4th will be a great way to Light up Rotary.

# A Minute of Minutes

Notes from the June board meeting...

Charlie Farrell's sister Mary, an experienced runner, has offered to help us with our fall 5K Walk/Run for Hunger to benefit the food pantry. She shared a lot of great ideas to improve the race experience and the board was excited to have her expertise and energy on our team!

#### Agreed that the new board will iron out the details, but the excess club funds will be transferred to the foundation so that we know they will be used for giving.

Moving forward the board will share outlines of foundation giving with the club so all members know who we have made donations to and how much has been spent.

## The board reviewed successes of the past year, including membership and foundation giving.

We will be applying for a district grant to support Canton Woods Senior Center's flooring project, asking for \$3,000. They have had to do extensive flooring replacements for the safety of the seniors and the board felt it was a worthy cause.

#### The Four Way Test Banner we donated to the Cato Club was delivered by Sean, Mic and Coach. They were very appreciative and recited it before closing the meeting.

Jacquie is taking the lead on placing a new order for tee shirts and is getting a new kind of shirt after feedback from the club. In addition to custom orders from members, we will order a few extras and will order more hats to sell to anyone who needs one.

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## Just so you know ...

Happy New Year Rotary! The Rotary year starts July 1, so we have just been given a clean slate for membership, foundation giving and leadership. What will your resolution be this time around?

With the new Rotary year comes a renewal of our club dues as well. The dues collected are split between the club, the district and Rotary International. They cover administrative costs and help keep clubs running. Our club's dues at \$135 per membership and due ASAP. Invoices will be sent or available at meetings for pick up. Please don't hesitate to speak to any board member (see page 3 for list of contacts) if you have any questions about dues!

The FOUR WAY TEST of the things we think, say and do. 1. Is it the TRUTH? 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned? 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL for all concerned?







Tuesday, July 1 Meeting at 6:30pm Duck sorting at Dave Horan's Office Wednesday, July 2 Lunch at 12:15pm Planning Meeting – join newly crowned president Ann in coming up with plans for the upcoming year.

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY! Please celebrate safely

Tuesday, July 8 Meeting at 7pm Assembly Wednesday, July 9 Meeting at 12:15pm Assembly

Tuesday, July 15 Meeting at 7pm Fellowship Wednesday, July 16 Meeting at 12:15pm TBD

Tuesday, July 22 Meeting at 7pm Speaker: Bill Ramsgard Wednesday, July 23 Meeting at 12:15pm Speaker: Bill Ramsgard

Tuesday, July 29 Meeting at 7pm TBD Wednesday, July 30 Meeting at 12:15pm

Visit from District Governor Deb Glisson

### **CALL FOR PROGRAMS!**

It is every member's responsibility to help fill the meeting schedule with programs. Do you have any ideas? Speakers can join us at lunch for free if they come at 12:15 or if they don't want to eat, they can come at 12:45. They get 20 minutes plus some Q&A time with the meeting ending at 1:30pm. The club needs advance notice if a program involves 3 or more people coming for lunch! Alan Lindsey manages the schedule and can help you with availability for your program ideas. You can contact him at <u>awlsr@hotmail.com</u>. We have plenty of openings this summer that we need to fill!

# **Seneca River Day Was GREAT!**

A big thank you goes to everyone on the committee who did the planning and all the volunteers that helped throughout the day. Some really went above and beyond to get the work done! Final totals of what we raised will be featured in the newsletter when the bills are paid and check books balanced. In the mean time, here are some snap shots and stats!



### Your 2014/2015 Club Leadership

President: Ann Smiley Vice President: Alan Lindsey Secretary: Lizzy Flinn-Brown Treasurer: Dawn Custer Immediate Past President: Sean Becker President Elect: Sally Fedrizzi Board Members: Jenny Doane, Doug Tosh and Bill Rosentel RI Foundation Chair: Janet Joslyn Membership Chairs: Dave Horan & Abe Morelli Public Relations: Lizzy Flinn-Brown Youth Exchange Officer: Norma Widmann The club board will meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm, before the evening meeting., unless otherwise noted. Location will vary. All are welcome to attend the board meeting.

If you are interested in getting involved in club leadership it is a great opportunity to develop skills you can use in all areas of life. It is also a fun way to serve the club! The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is each fall in Verona, NY with three levels of courses available to help you grow your leadership skills in Rotary.

# **Foundation Information**

Have you considered Rotary Direct? It is a program that makes donating to the Rotary International foundation easy with a one-time sign up. See the attached form to get started!

#### It's efficient, convenient and secure.

Schedule monthly, quarterly or annual donations to be charged to your credit or debit card in any amount you determine. You can even designate the funds to go to our general fund, PolioPlus or any other Rotary program.

You can also contact Janet Joslyn, Foundation Chairperson, if you have any questions. jmjoslyn83@hotmail.com

# Rotary Youth Leadership Award

**(RYLA)** You are invited to join fellow Rotarians, students and their families on **Sunday**, **July 13th** to learn more about how our three Rotary Youth Leadership Award students spent their weekend.

All three of our students are juniors at Baker High School: Mason Soeder Marina Maddaloni Kyle Micho (sponsored by the Eastwood Club)

It is just \$15 per person for the luncheon, at the dining center of Hubbard Hall at Cazenovia College

#### You MUST RSVP BY JULY 7TH

to Barb Devendorf at 697–2345 or 256–2143 or by email at barbara@gustafsoncpas.com



Richard Santimaw March 29, 1954 ~ May 10, 2014



#### Rotary International Info 2014/2015 RI President Gary C. K. Huang From the Rotary Club of Taipei, Taiwan

**Theme:** Light Up Rotary

"How you Light Up Rotary is up to you," Huang said. "You know where you are strong, you know what your community needs, and you know how you can help.



#### **Polio Plus Donations**

A big thank you to Marv and Coach for putting coin containers out around B-ville asking people to share their pennies to fight polio. We raised another \$110 with the latest round up!





Welcome President Ann and Thank You Past President Sean!

## Happy News



Sally & Pete Fedrizzi will celebrate 32 years of marriage on July 24th!

Bill & Lynn Rosentel had a great visit with past exchange student Tobi Hein – he flew over from Germany for a few weeks, attending Rotary meetings and even helping with Seneca River Day. Here they are visiting Alex Bay!

