



Baldwinsville
Rotary



MARCH 2019 NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE BOARD

The Rotary International Mission Statement is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders. Merrian Webster defines MISSION STATEMENT as something that states the purpose or goal of a business or organization. It defines the word MISSION as an important assignment given to a person or group of people, typically involving travel abroad. The Oxford dictionary gives the definition as a body of persons sent to perform a service or carry on an activity. It is most appropriate that Rotary has a mission statement that is focused on the very core of the definition of the word mission. We are focused on performing service and being active by performing works, both big and small, at home and globally. In addition to all that the Rotary Club of Baldwinsville does locally we perform an important assignment when we send our exchange students to travel abroad with the goal of getting to know other people from diverse backgrounds and cultures.

An activity that fits the Rotary mission, something that could lead to benefits at home as well as globally, is by joining a discussion of the book "Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming" at the March 19th meeting. The book discussion provides the opportunity to come together in conversation around science-based solutions for slowing down climate change, individually and as a community, for the purpose of making a true difference for the future. The book is available for loan at the Baldwinsville Library, just ask at the circulation desk. It can also be checked out as an audio book. The discussion is part of NEW YORK READS: DRAWDOWN sponsored by the New York Library Association, more information [click here](#).

MEG VAN PATTEN, CLUB PRESIDENT

Photo: Interact students & member Sylvia work on packing food for the Backpack Project. Watch your emails for calls for volunteers when the group is working on this activity. Many hands make light work!

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BE THE INSPIRATION

UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS

MARCH 19TH - BOOK DISCUSSION

We will be discussing "Drawdown: The Most Comprehensive Plan Ever Proposed to Reverse Global Warming," by Paul Hawken and Tom Steyer. By prioritizing discussions around the 100 most impactful solutions for slowing down climate change, citizens and whole communities can spend their time, energy and enthusiasm on making a true difference for their future. Many copies available at the library!

APRIL ARTICLE DISCUSSION

Sally is pulling another great article from The Rotarian Magazine's April 2018 issue. Click here to read: "Is it too late to create a narrative where we're all on the same side?"

GET STARTED WITH SRD

We have "SAVE THE DATE" posters you can put up in your businesses, "GET TICKETS HERE" posters if you are selling ducks at your office and we even have duck tickets ready to go for the June 14 & 15th event. Please start thinking about how you want to get involved so you can help the committee with all that needs to be done leading up to this wonderful community event! For posters see Ken and for tickets see Abe!

BIRTH DAYS

Mar 4: Mary Schmutz

Mar 6: Ray O'Neil

Mar 19: Stu Hosler

Mar 24: Jimmy Wulforst

LATEST CHARITY OF CHOICE AWARDED

Charity of Choice

Name: _____

Charity: _____

Fill out your name and a charity that's important to you each time you attend a meeting. Drawing will be at the last meeting of the month and the winner's charity will receive a \$100 donation in their honor.
*Charities must be 501c3 or local organization accepted by the club board.

February's winner: Rosemary Bucci's choice of Meals on Wheels

Don't forget to fill out a slip with your charity of choice each time to attend a meeting (that means two submissions if you go to both meetings in one week!).

ACTS OF KINDNESS MINI CHALLENGE

Get an idea of how great it feels to be kind by incorporating these small, but meaningful acts of kindness into your life this month!

Start a chain reaction by paying for the person behind you at the drive-thru!



ROTARY QUIZ TIME!

Can you answer these B'ville Rotary trivia questions?

1. Name three of Rotary's six areas of focus.
2. Where is the Rotary International Convention taking place this June?
3. What are the dates of this year's Seneca River Days?

Email your answers to megv@bville.lib.ny.us to be entered to win a prize. Correct answers in next month's newsletter.

Answers to February's questions:

1. Rotary Direct is the program that allows you to schedule donations to the Rotary International Foundation. You can choose the amount and frequency, and then never forget to give!
2. Our Youth Exchange Student is Jo from France.
3. The current Rotary International President's name is Barry Rassin and he is from the Bahamas!

Congratulations to Marcia Benson, the January winner of the trivia contest. \$10 is being donated to RI and she will receive a pen/paper note keeper with the Rotary logo.

MARCH MEETINGS

TUESDAY 3/5 @ 7PM: SPEAKER SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

WED. 3/6 @ NOON: SPEAKER JOANNE HAGNER WITH THE RED CROSS

TUESDAY 3/12 @ 5:30PM: BOARD MEETING, @ 7PM: STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

WED. 3/13 @ NOON: SPEAKER JASON SMOROL WITH THE SYRACUSE METS

TUESDAY 3/19 @ 7PM: BOOK DISCUSSION - DRAWDOWN

WED. 3/20 @ NOON: SPEAKER ASHLEY MAREADY WITH THE ERIE CANAL MUSEUM

TUESDAY 3/26 @ 7PM: SPEAKER SUSAN PEDROSA WITH PET PARTNERS

WED. 3/27 @ NOON: SPEAKER SUSAN PEDROSA WITH PET PARTNERS



HAPPY ST PATTY'S DAY!

COMING UP

APRIL 6

DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY

MAY 3-5

DISTRICT CONFERENCE CELEBRATION

MAY 30

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

JUNE 14/15

SENECA RIVER DAYS

JUNE 29

DISTRICT CHANGING OF THE GUARD

HELP WITH PROGRAMS - NO REALLY, PLEASE HELP OUT!

It's not lip service when we ask for your suggestions. We really want ideas for programs so we can fill the schedule with fun and interesting speakers, topics and events. Feel free to think outside of the box! Send your ideas to Pam at lizardmom67@hotmail.com and include a contact if you have one. We are currently booking for the spring time!



DG Marv with Otto the Orange at a recent SU lacrosse game at the Dome!



President Meg presented member Jimmy Wulforst with a beautiful drawing of the Red Mill Inn.