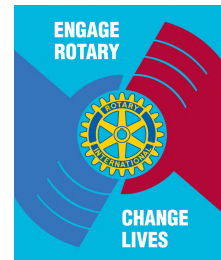




# Baldwinsville Rotary NEWSLETTER

May 2014 Edition

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Just so you know...

## Looking Ahead

*Mark your calendars for these district  
and club events...*

May 4 - Rotary/Chamber Mixer  
May 10 - Blood Clinic  
May 27 - Book Club  
June 14 - Seneca River Day  
- Changing of the Guard

## A Minute of Minutes

Notes from the April board meeting...

The board received a foundation update from Janet Joslyn that we have contributed almost \$2,900 of our \$4,100 goal to the RI Foundation. 25 out of 47 members have contributed.

**The board received confirmation that the Cato Rotary Club would appreciate of a new 4-Way Test banner after losing everything in a fire, so we are moving ahead with that contribution.**

We approved the cost to start a new B-ville Rotary web site using Club Runner, the same program as the district is now using. It is \$199 to start and \$35 per month to maintain. Ann and Lizzy agreed to work on the site this spring.

**The board approved using club funds to increase the donation the Bville Marching Band to \$250 from the \$136 raised at the spaghetti dinner raffle. There was a lot of discussion about working with school organizations next year to help increase attendance and our ability to give back!**

We reviewed the Keep the Ball Rolling After Prom Party donation request and had already pre-approved a \$100 donation from the foundation

## Just so you know...

*Funds that we donate on behalf of "The Rotary Club of Baldwinsville" can come from two places - our club account or our foundation. The foundation is the non-profit arm of the club and is overseen by a separate board. When the club raises funds, like at Seneca River Day, it will transfer much of what is raised to the foundation and only keep what is necessary to keep the club functioning. Any time the club board approves spending foundation money, it has to go through a review by the foundation board as well. It is a great checks and balances system to be sure we are putting our money towards worthy causes!*

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?

# May



## Tuesday, May 6th

Rotary/Chamber Mixer  
5:30pm @ Mohegan Manor  
See page 3 for details

## Wednesday, May 7th

Lunch Meeting  
at 12:15pm

## Tuesday, May 13th

Board Meeting @ 6pm  
Assembly Meeting @ 7pm

## Wednesday, May 14th

Lunch Meeting at 12:15pm  
Speaker: Kathy Wallace, Lyme Disease

## Tuesday, May 20th

Evening Meeting at 7pm  
Speaker, Exchange Student Arnau

## Wednesday, May 21st

Lunch Meeting at 12:15pm  
Speaker, Exchange Student Arnau

## Tuesday, May 27th

Book Club Meeting at 7pm  
See page 3 for details

## Wednesday, May 28th

Lunch Meeting at 12:15  
IN THE CHAPEL

### Meetings

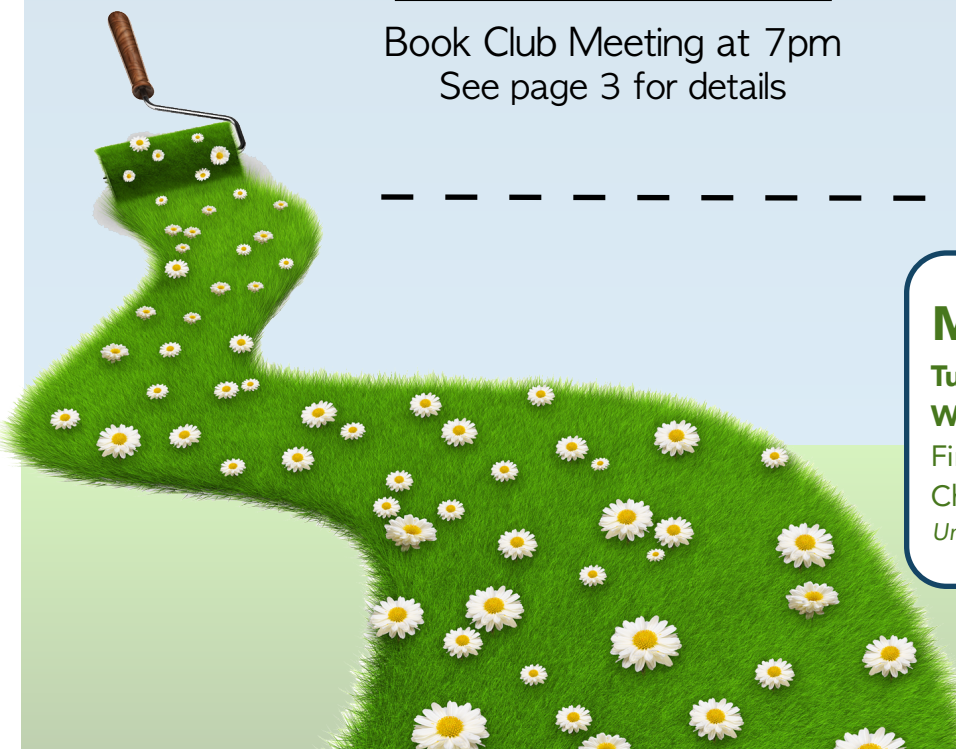
**Tuesdays at 7pm** with snack provided

**Wednesday at 12:15pm** with lunch, \$12/person

First United Methodist Church,

Charlotte Street, Baldwinsville

*Unless otherwise indicated on schedule*



# Seneca River Day Update

**Saturday, June 14th | Mercer Park**

The committee still needs more helpers, although plans for this year's event are coming along great. Please be available when asked to help with gathering prizes and selling duck tickets. There are still many tasks to be done before the big day!

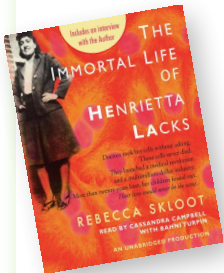
**DUCK TICKETS ARE IN!** The tickets are printed and ready for selling. It is everyone's responsibility to sell as many tickets as possible and you don't just have to hit up friends and family to do your part. Coach is in charge of ticket sales on our committee this year and will be coordinating opportunities for us to sell tickets at Walmart, the farmer's market and more. Please be open to helping out with this since the ticket sales are the bulk of our profit from this event and how we are able to give back and put on programs all year round!

Also be ready to help Ann with stuffing, labeling and stamping the letters we send out for duck ticket sales.

*Watch your email for upcoming committee meetings and more details on when and where to help out!*

## Book Club

### The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot



Read about a woman whose cells were taken, without her knowledge, and used to discover important medical advances like the polio vaccine, invitro fertilization, gene mapping and more.

Despite being a huge part of modern medicine, her family still struggles financially and can't even afford health insurance.

**Meet Tuesday, May 27th @ 7pm**  
**to enjoy fellowship and discussion on this reading**  
*(at our regular meeting)*



## Special Invitation

**Open House at**  
**Sally's NEW Office**  
**Thursday May 15th from 4-6pm**  
1201 East Fayette St, Suite 23  
Syracuse NY 13210  
**FREE PARKING**  
**All are welcome!**

## Foundation Progress

The club has two goals for giving to the Rotary International Foundation. The first is that every single Rotarian participate by giving something - even just a few dollars. So far, with 47 members, we are only a little over half way there. The second goal is for us to average \$100 per member with the goal based on our membership at the beginning of the Rotary year. We are at about \$2,900 of the \$4,100 as of the last board meeting. *Remember, the money we donate to the foundation is held for three years to grow interest and then returned to our district for use towards grants. We can get this money back to use for new projects and ideas that our community needs!* **HAVE YOU CONSIDERED GIVING YET?**

**See Janet Joslyn for help in donating to the RI Foundation before our Rotary year ends on June 30th**



# District Conference Snapshots

A great time was had by 18 Bville Rotarians and guests at this year's conference at Vernon Downs. More members in attendance than any other club in the district! Here are some fun photos from the weekend. We hope even more B-ville Rotarians will attend the 2015 conference that was just announced to be held at The Lodge at Welch Allyn in Skaneateles!



**Arnua presented the flag of Spain, Marv sang, Bill dressed up silly, Ann was the head honcho of the whole weekend, Lizzy presented on Facebook, Sean and Debbie looked dashing at dinner and we received a certificate for our participation in the Zimbabwe water project!**

## We also had Canal Clean Up Day for Earth Day

(pictured: Lizzy, Dawn, Dean, Bob, Joe & Jacquie, Ann took the picture too!)

## and had a table at the Bville Chamber event at Anheuser-Busch

(pictured: Lizzy, Ann and Dawn - not shown but present were Sean and Dave)



# Happy News

**Tobi Hein**, our exchange student from a couple years ago, will be back for a visit in B-ville! He arrives May 24th and is staying with the Rosentels for about 3 weeks. They hope to bring him to a meeting to visit with everyone, but feel free to contact them if you want to make plans to spend time with him!

**Norma's grandson** Bryan completed the Boston Marathon in 2 hours and 57 minutes, with a pace time of 6.43 minutes per mile! He also placed 87th out of 23,000 runners in the Los Angeles Marathon recently.

**Sally** has been accepted into the Emerging Leaders SBA Program – a 7 month program that will help her grow her network and her business! Congratulations Sally!

# Youth Exchange Update

**Urgent! Urgent!** More host families are desperately needed. Each of us needs to recruit through neighbors, friends, church, families, and work.

**Our inbound student**, Hiya Raja, will arrive in August. Hiya is a lovely 15 year old young lady from India. Totally fluent in English, Hiya studied an entirely English curriculum at a boarding school, is prepared to cook Indian food for us, plays acoustic guitar, sings, plays soccer and is eager to try whatever Baker has to offer.

This coming year we are sponsoring two outbound students. Sydney Barbado is going to Spain and Brad Porceng to Finland. They will be joining us at a meeting soon.

**Arnau** continues to be having the time of his life. This lucky young man spent spring break in Florida and has also visited Pittsburg and NY with his family.

*A club Youth Exchange team has been formed for next year headed by Brian Walsh as YEO, Dee Petta as club counselor, and Norma Widmann as transition guide.*