



BALDWINSVILLE ROTARY CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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Rotary



Club President
Janet Joslyn
2016-2017

From the president:

We are almost there! Our club has fulfilled all requirements to earn the Presidential Citation again this year except for one. The one remaining requirement to complete is a donation of \$2,650 to PolioPlus. We have raised \$2,148 so far. We need \$502 more to reach our PolioPlus goal for the year and receive the Presidential Citation for our club. We can do it. PolioPlus Chair, Bruce Jones, is working hard gathering money raised in the community from collection cans he has distributed to different businesses. Those funds in combination with the money members have been donating have brought us within reach of our goal. Rotary International President John Germ set certain criteria for clubs to achieve to showcase them as outstanding clubs. We are one of those outstanding clubs.

How to Reach Our Polio Goal

This year, as part of our efforts to again earn the Presidential Citation, we need to meet our goal of giving \$2,650 to Polio Plus before the end of this Rotary year. We know Bruce Jones is busy collecting loose change all around the community, so how can you help us sprint to the finish? We are all guilty of forgetting to bring our pennies to weekly meetings, so what can you do this month to help you remember? Maybe set a reminder on your phone for right before you head out the door to a meeting or put the money in your car right now. That's right, get up right now and do it while you are thinking about it!

You might also have a lot of success asking coworkers for whatever is in their penny jar at their desk. We all have them!

And don't forget the change in your car, on your night stand and in the couch cushions. We have a disease to fight here people! Dig deep!

Check out this article that explains the importance of total eradication:
<http://www.endpolio.org/why-more-funds>



CLUB FOUNDATION GIVING

Here is a list of what we have given and who has received funds from all of our hard work so far this Rotary year!

Clear Path 4 Vets - \$250
Senior Citizen Summer Picnic - \$230
Kellish Music Festival - \$400
District 7150 Youth Exchange - \$150
RI Foundation, District Governor - \$100
Wrestling Booster Club - \$250
Fan The Flames Fitness Fundraiser - \$300
Ronald McDonald House of Syracuse - \$250
Northwest YMCA - \$2,500
Louisiana Flood Relief - \$1,000
Canal Sign Installation - \$200
Flags of Honor - \$15
Cystic Fibrosis Great Strides Walk - \$1,000
Dictionary Project - \$1,200
Ride for Missing Children Meal - \$240
McHarrie Life Bladder Scanner - \$12,600
Christmas Bureau \$200
Vera House \$250
Scout Troop \$100
Concert Series \$500
Honor Flight \$582
Cub Scout Pack 71 \$360
Two BOCES Scholarships \$1,000
B'ville Community Scholarship Fdtn \$1,000
Sauquoit Rotary End Hunger Program \$250
Meals on Wheels \$500
Military Courtesy Room \$500
After Prom Party \$100
Total: \$26,027

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

In April we inducted new member Michelle Martin, sponsored by Lizzy. She works at Advance Media and Cathy's Corner Cafe, and is Lizzy's future sister-in-law. Michelle visited the club at our painting party in February, had a great time and came to the lunch the next day. She is looking forward to getting involved in Seneca River Day and many other club programs.

We also received a transfer request from Oneida Rotarian Shauna Teelin. She is a manager with Realty USA and was brought to lunch by fellow realtor Doug. The board has approved her transfer and we welcome her to the club!

Please be sure to take a moment to introduce yourself, sit with and give a warm, B'ville Rotary welcome to our newest members.

B'VILLE ROTARIANS @ DISTRICT CONFERENCE

We had 14 members attending the conference in Saratoga this year, including several on the planning committee. Jenny took the lead on gift bags and is prepping to be a co-chair in 2018, Marv was the chair for the awards that were presented Sunday morning and Bill was in charge of Youth Exchange. Dave and Marv also teamed up to lead a breakout session and share with the district our member orientation program. B'ville Rotarians also volunteered as Sergeant-at-Arms - the helpers at conference. Our Youth Exchange Student Matt Luken was also there, along with 15 other students from the district.



SEE MORE PICS ON OUR WEB SITE
www.BaldwinsvilleRotary.org

Honor Tree



Ribbons to decorate the trees out front of the B'ville Public Library during Memorial Day week are now for sale for \$1 each.

Please encourage friends and family to buy one from you, or at local spots like the M&T Bank on Downer, Key Bank on E Genesee Street and Canal Walk Cafe all this month.

All funds raised will go toward local programs for veterans and this is a great visual program for our club!

PLEASE SELL RIBBONS!

CELEBRATING EARTH DAY



Thanks to member Dean for once again arranging the opportunity for our club to pick up trash and clean the walking paths near the canal. Here's this year's crew that picked up along Marble Street, posing in front of the beautiful sign we installed last year!

CONGRATULATIONS ROTARIAN OF EXCELLENCE



Make sure you congratulate Ken Schmidt when you see him next for being honored with the designation of Rotarian of Excellence for 2016/17. This title is given to one member each year in recognition of how they've gone above and beyond in putting "Service Above Self." Each club in the district gets to designate a recipient and awards are presented at

District Conference. Ken jumped right into membership to get involved in several projects, taking on big roles and making things happen for the fall 5K, Big Chill and Seneca River Day. He will also be the chairperson of Seneca River Day in 2018! Ken also brings innovative new ideas to the club, like the testimonials we have been sharing on social media and in each newsletter. This honor is well-deserved!

READ UP FOR THE NEXT BOOK CLUB MEETING

Our book club is a little different this time around - we have a movie, two books and we are meeting during a Wednesday lunch.

Here are the books:

"The Residence: Inside the Private World of the White House"

AND

"First Women: The Grace and Power of America's Modern First Ladies"

Both by Kate Andersen Brower



Both books are about life in the White House and are very interesting reads!

We will also be watching "The Butler" the week before, Tuesday May 23rd at our 7pm meeting.



You can read either or both books, come for the movie or just come for the discussion. Even those who don't read up, will learn something new!

**BOOK CLUB
WEDNESDAY, MAY 31
NOON - RED MILL INN**



**TESTIMONIAL
COMING
SOON!**

MAY

Tuesday, May 2

BASEBALL NIGHT AT THE CHIEFS

Meet at the Box Office at NBT Bank Stadium at 6pm

Tuesday, May 9

5:30PM: Board Meeting

7PM: Student of the Month

Come out and show your support for our honored teen & their family!

Tuesday, May 16

7PM: Speaker Joy Pople from Cornell Cooperative Master Gardener Program

Tuesday, May 23

7PM: Movie Night, "The Butler"

Come watch this in advance of our book club discussion

Tuesday, May 30

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Line up on Lock Street by 5pm

Wednesday, May 3

12PM: Speaker Steven Darchangelo, B'ville Village Engineer

Plus a check presentation & new member induction!

Wednesday, May 10

12PM: Speaker Jim Hogan, Baldwinsville Ambulance Corps

Wednesday, May 17

12PM: MEETING AT CLEAR PATH

*Join us for lunch at Clear Path for Veterans
1223 Salt Springs Rd, Chittenango*

Wednesday, May 24

12PM: Speaker Chris Baker from The Post-Standard

Wednesday, May 31

12PM: BOOK CLUB

*Join us for a discussion on our two books
(see page 3 for details)*

We will also be presenting a check for a donation to the Military Courtesy Room

Coming up...

June 10: Seneca River Day

June 28: Club Changing of the Guard

June 29: District Changing of the Guard

July 9: RYLA Banquet

Aug 2: District Governor Official Visit

Submit your ideas for programs to Don Distasio at donald.distasio@gmail.com
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