



Baldwinsville  
Rotary



## OCTOBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

### MESSAGE BOARD

*"Everyone must take time to sit and watch the leaves turn."*

-Elizabeth Lawrence

I hope everyone is having a great fall and able drink in the beauty of nature as it transforms into the beautiful colors of fall. Our club had a great summer, including a most successful Seneca River Day. I look forward to what is to come this fall with great programs at our meetings, World Polio Day recognition and Charter Night, to name a couple of activities. We wound up September with serving dinner to the riders and volunteers who participated in the Ride for Missing Children. It was a great opportunity to thank them for the fact that they performed an act of kindness by participating in the ride. We had signs at the tables that thanked them for "Doing what you can, where you are, with what you have." By their actions they are helping countless children and we thank them for doing so. Thank you to Dawn Custer for preparing the food. Also, Marcia Benson, Jenny Doane, Doug Foster, Ken Schmidt, Ann Smiley, Bruce Stebbins, Patti Walz and Norma Widmann - all who helped in big ways and little ways to make it work.

Thank you to all who responded to the lunch and Acts of Kindness surveys. 18 of the 19 lunch survey responses were in favor of the proposal to ring the bell at noon and begin with the business meeting and the speaker, followed by lunch. It will be on the agenda for the October 9th board meeting and I will report to all of you after that meeting. World Polio Day is October 24, 2018. If you have an End Polio shirt wear it that day as it is a great way to start a conversation. When I have worn my shirt I have had people say that they thought it had been ended and their thoughts are based on the fact that it is no longer an issue in the United States. They are surprised to learn the facts (see page 2). For more info and facts check out [www.endpolio.org](http://www.endpolio.org). There will be an exhibit at the Baldwinsville Library about polio during the week of October 21st. Plans are also being made for an event to take place on October 24th with details be announced in the near future!

**MEG VAN PATTEN, CLUB PRESIDENT**

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BE THE INSPIRATION

# PREPARE YOURSELF FOR WORLD POLIO DAY

Club President Meg has asked members to wear their End Polio Now shirts on October 24th, but what happens if someone asks you about our work to end this debilitating disease? How much do you know? Here is some information to help you have some fast facts up your sleeve:

- Rotary committed to the eradication of polio 30 years ago
- We have vaccinated more than 2.5 billion children since we started
- Today, there are just three countries with the wild polio virus - Afghanistan, Pakistan and Nigeria
- When we started the program, there were hundreds of thousands of new cases of polio each year
- To date in 2018, there have been 18 new cases of polio
- A country must go three years without a new case of polio to be certified polio-free
- The US spends approximately \$640 million on vaccinating children again polio in our country
- By the time our efforts are complete, Rotary will have contributed over \$2.2 billion to the cause
- We partner with the World Health Organization, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, UNICEF, and others to be fully funded and have the resources needed to deliver vaccines
- Tax-deductible donations can be made at [www.endpolio.org/donate](http://www.endpolio.org/donate)
- We have coin jars at many local businesses with 100% of the proceeds going to the efforts to end polio!

DON'T HAVE END POLIO NOW FASHION? [CLICK HERE](#) TO FIND SOMETHING FOR WPD!



**END  
POLIO  
NOW**

THE CLUB WILL  
BE POSTING  
ABOUT POLIO  
ON FACEBOOK  
ALL MONTH LONG - PLEASE  
SHARE ON YOUR PAGE TOO!

## ROTARY QUIZ TIME!

Can you answer these three Rotary trivia questions?

1. What is the name of the founder of Rotary?
2. Where are Rotary's International headquarters?
3. What is our current Rotary motto?

Email your answers to [megv@bville.lib.ny.us](mailto:megv@bville.lib.ny.us) to be entered to win a prize. Correct answers in next month's newsletter.

Answer to September's Questions:

1. Rotary was "born" on February 23, 1905
2. The current RI President is Barry Rassin
3. The first Rotary project was installing public bathrooms in Chicago

The winner for September is PDG Phyllis Danks. She will get \$10 donated in her name to the End Polio Now program and a Rotary notepad!

## STUDENTS OF THE MONTH RETURNS

Starting October 9th, we welcome back our monthly program honoring two local students for their commitment to helping others and doing the right thing. The way the club supports this program is by attending the special evenings when the students are honored and their families join us. It's important that we show them how special this recognition is with great attendance on these events, even if you would normally be at a Wednesday meeting that week. Please consider attending this event on the second Tuesday of each month!

## BIRTHDAYS

Oct 20: Dave Horan

## ANNIVERSARIES

10/28: Dave & Ann Horan



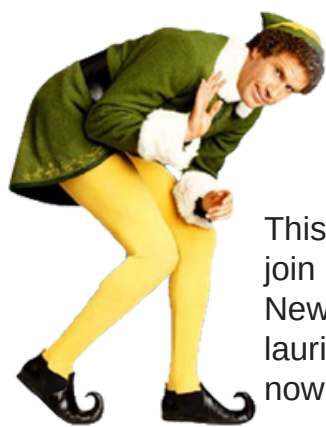


# WELCOME NEW MEMBER MATT

In August, we inducted new member Matt Johns. He works at the YMCA and is new to the area. Dave Horan sponsored his membership and he's already been an active Rotarian, pitching in at the Senior Citizen Summer Picnic and being at meetings regularly. If you haven't yet met Matt, please introduce yourself at an upcoming lunch meeting!

**HAVE YOU INVITED ANYONE TO ROTARY LATELY? CHECK OUT THE MEETING SCHEDULE ON THE NEXT PAGE AND SEE IF THERE'S SOMETHING FUN OR INTERESTING ONE OF YOUR FRIENDS OR NEIGHBORS MIGHT ENJOY. IT TAKES A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP TO START A ROTARY MEMBERSHIP!**

## GET YOUR MATINEE TICKETS



**ELF THE MUSICAL AT SYRACUSE STAGE**  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**  
**PROLOGUE AT 2PM, SHOW AT 3PM**  
**\$35/ADULT & \$25/CHILD**

This holiday season channel your inner elf and join Buddy on his journey from the North Pole to New York City to find his family. Contact Laurie at [lauriemaddaloni@hotmail.com](mailto:lauriemaddaloni@hotmail.com) to book your tickets now. Seating is limited!

## 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!*

**Do someone a favor**

**Pre-pay for a coffee for the next person in line**

**Offer a compliment to a stranger or a friend**



## UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS

*Book Club & Think Tanks are during Tuesday meetings at 7pm at the Red Mill Inn*

### TUESDAY, OCT 2: THINK TANK DISCUSSION

FOUND IN YOUR JULY ROTARIAN MAGAZINE

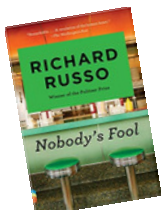
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School For Skeptics - How literacy means distinguishing between fact and fiction.

### TUESDAY, NOV 6: THINK TANK DISCUSSION

ATTN: Video | Poverty

[Click here](#) to watch this short video for discussion, featuring Rutger Bregman, historian & author



### TUESDAY, DEC 4: BOOK CLUB

"Nobody's Fool" by Richard Russo

Available on Amazon or right at the B'ville Public Library (also made into a movie!)

# OCTOBER'S SCHEDULE

TUESDAY 10/2 AT 7PM: THINK TANK DISCUSSION WITH SALLY

WED. 10/3 AT NOON: BRUCE STEBBINS ON THE HISTORY OF BEAVER LAKE

TUESDAY 10/9 AT 5:30PM: BOARD MEETING, AT 7PM: STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

WED. 10/10 AT NOON: MIKE BROWN, CEO OF YMCA'S OF GREATER SYRACUSE

TUESDAY 10/16 AT 7PM: MICHELLE MARTIN ON WORKING AT THE NYS FAIR

WED. 10/17 AT NOON: DR. GERD SCHNEIDER, GROWING UP IN WWII GERMANY

TUESDAY 10/23 AT 7PM: CHUCK LACOMB ON THE RIDE FOR MISSING CHILDREN

WED. 10/24 AT NOON: CHUCK LACOMB ON THE RIDE FOR MISSING CHILDREN

TUESDAY 10/30 AT 7PM: BREWSTER SEARS ON KAYAKING & LIFE

WED. 10/31 AT NOON: BREWSTER SEARS ON KAYAKING & LIFE

## HELP WITH PROGRAMS

*We want your ideas for great programs. If you suggest things that you think are interesting, then you will find meetings more interesting! Send your ideas to Pam at [lizardmom67@hotmail.com](mailto:lizardmom67@hotmail.com) and include a contact if you have one!*

## COMING UP

**OCT 2**

THINK TANK DISCUSSION

**OCT 11**

SENECA RIVER DAYS  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
5:30PM - KEN'S HOUSE

**OCT 24**

WORLD POLIO DAY

**OCT 30**

DISTRICT GRANTS  
MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

**OCT 31**

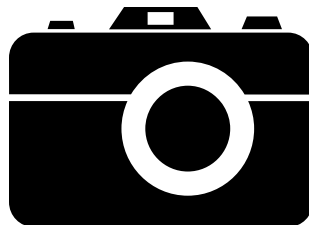
HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

**DEC 8**

SYRACUSE STAGE NIGHT  
AREA 5 CHRISTMAS PARTY



From left to right, Marcia, Meg, Jenny and Bruce got to meet Otto the Orange while volunteering to serve food at the annual CNY Ride for Missing Children on Friday, Sept. 28, 2018



*snap  
shots*



Doug Foster presented on his experience with skydiving at two fun meetings in September. He and his wife Carrie are former club members that are considering re-joining our group!