

Reporting Meeting of 10 July 2017

Calendar of Events

Last Mtg: 6/26: Officer Turnover, Induction of New Members
Last Week: 7/3: No meeting, holiday
This Week: 7/10 Club assembly
Next Week: 7/17 BOD; Work Night at Pine Grove Cemetery;
Review of District Project Grants
Coming Up: 7/24 Picnic at Charlton School for Girls; Guest Night
7/31 Friends of the Kayaderos — Josh Ness
Invocation: Houston Costolo (Father of Jon)
Note: Regular meetings are held Monday Evenings at 6:00 PM in the William E. Sewell Memorial Room at the Ballston Town Hall.
Please give suggestions for future programs to Beth Brownell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Dues are due, \$75 payable at a meeting or to Peter Parker/Val Mosier
- The Board of Directors meets next week 7/17. The Citizen of the Year award will be granted. Make-up work night 4:30pm at Pine Grove Cemetery
- Walter Grattidge memorialized George Bailey as the last of the club's founding members. A memorial white weeping cherry tree will be planted at the Burnt Hills Methodist Church in the spring.
- Jon Costolo collected Happy Dollars in Mike Brewster's absence, Many were dedicated to Peter Parker for his efforts last year and to Jon in anticipation of a successful year.
- The meeting on 7/24 will be a guest night at the Charlton School for Girls. Please give guest information to Laura Lee so that she can plan the food.



- The program on 7/31 will be a discussion of the Kayaderos Creek and parks by Friend of the Kayaderos, Josh Ness
- A visit by the new District Governor and Assistant Governor is expected in August.
- Dan Stec recommended the woodworking show to be held this weekend (7/14,15,16) in Northville, sponsored by N'ville Rotary.
- Peter Parker described missing bulletin-board material, thanking Gini Whetten for her help in finding it.

CLUB ASSEMBLY – JON COSTOLO

President Jon led the club through a presentation and discussion of his goals and expectations for the new Rotary year.

- Membership needs to be increased. He suggested that each member invite one friend as guest during the year with the expectation that about half will join.
- Work with the Interact Club to strengthen the relationship.
- Bring Bylaws and Committees into agreement with each other and Rotary recommendations. See that Committees actually meet. Dan Stec remarked that RI requirements have been relaxed giving more autonomy to the individual clubs
- The 2017-2018 budget is in preparation and will be presented at the next meeting.
- The club need to learn more about how the money we contribute to the community is actually spent, and how spending is controlled.
- New Members need a firm “onboarding” process following recruiting and need to be given meaningful assignments and guidance by experienced members. Mentoring system.
- New Members should be good citizens and active in the community, with no rigid requirements beyond that.
- Several members recommended reintroducing the Four Way Test into the opening of meetings. It had been regularly recited in the past. The text of the test is available embossed on a commemorative coin. Perhaps they should be distributed to both old and new members,

Serve with us. The world is waiting.

Reported by Fred Baily

July Set Up: K. Crotty, B. Lonergan, P. Parker

Clean Up: P. Lewandowski, S. Caine, F. Baily