

Reporting Meeting of May 13, 2019

Calendar of Events

Last Week: 5/13 School District Budget-Dr. McGrath

This Week: 5/20 5:30 Town in Bloom Work Parties

Next Week: 5/27 Memorial Day, No Meeting

Coming Up: 5/18 District Day of Service

6/8 Golf Tournament

6/13 BH Flag Day Parade

6/22 District Changeover

Attendance: Rotarians: 21; Guests: 5

Invocation: Dan Stec

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 Silas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Beth Brownell led the Pledge. Bob Youmans led us in singing America the Beautiful. Dan Stec gave the invocation.
- Congratulations to Bob Youmans who was presented his Paul Harris +7 Award.
- Next Monday is a Town in Bloom Service Night. We will be meeting at 5:30 at the designated work sites. If you aren't sure where to go, contact Mary who can let you know where we can use your help. **Remember to wear your Yellow Rotary shirt.**
- This Saturday, May 18th is the District Day of Service. There are 3 projects planned. Glenville-Animal Protective Foundation break- room. Scotia- Rt. 50 Railroad Bridge and in Saratoga working on the Back Stretch Community lodging and facilities. Work on the projects will be from 9am-4pm but come and leave and support as you can. See email from Fred Daniels for more info and to sign up.
- The Saratoga County 4H Club held its Walk-a-Thon this past weekend and we had five walkers from our club, Silas, Laura, Mary, Darlene and Suzette.
- June 17th- Cheryl Bach will present the "year in review" for the Interact Club and the student winner of the Interact Award will attend the meeting.
- District Changeover, Maybe Farm, June 22, 11:00-2:00
- Citizen and Rotarian of the Year Nominations needed - submit nominations to Paul by June 10; the person submitting the winning nomination does the presenting.
- Change-over night - July 1, planned to be family friendly picnic. More info to follow.



- Lisa Rice is still recovering but should be able to come home this week. She will need a lot rest at home and visitations should be minimal at this time and coordinated through Gini Whetten.
- Mike Brewster cheerfully collected Happy Dollars.

BHBL School District Budget Dr. Patrick McGrath/ Maryellen Symer

This past week we had a great informational presentation by Dr. Patrick McGrath and Maryellen Symer about the upcoming BH/BL School budget.

On May 21st, BH/BL School District residents will go to the polls to vote on a proposed \$69.55 million budget for the 2019-20 school - year. The proposal carries a 2.90 percent tax levy increase and results in an estimated 1.95 percent tax rate increase. Polls will be open from 7am to 9pm at the BH/BL High School.

Voters will also be asked to elect two candidates to the Board of Education as well as consider continuing the district's practice of including an ex officio student member on the board.

The proposed budget preserves all current academic programs and supports the district's commitment to improve instructional technology districtwide and create 21st century learning spaces.

This proposed budget includes efforts aimed at generating additional revenue by continued expansion of the distance learning program, the costs of which the state reimburses. broadening the district's food service department through Spartan Catering and opening a Spartan Café.

Other highlights of the budget are: expanded math intervention services K-2, addition of Grade 2 keyboarding instruction, Mandarin Chinese offered in Grade 7, upgraded safety and security, upgrades to 21st Century classrooms, and technology/lighting upgrades and savings.



Reporting by Jonathan Costolo

Serve With Us the World Is Waiting

JUNE Set up: Beth, Tom, Bob, Ray Clean up: Gregg, Mike, Mary Greeter – Mike Brewster

