

Reporting Meeting of June 26, 2017

Calendar of Events

Last Week: 6/19: Osama Alomar, Syrian author in residence at Yaddo

This Week: 6/26: Officer Turnover, Induction of New Members

Next Week: 7/3: No meeting

Coming Up: 7/10: Club assembly; 7/17 BOD; work night at Pine Grove Cemetery; Review of District Grant project

Attendance: Rotarians: 23 Guests: 3

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Laura Lee announced that the 4-H newsletter mentioned BHBL Rotary and Schrader & Co for their contributions to the walkathon as well as their ongoing support of 4-H.
- Dues are due ASAP; \$75 payable at a meeting or to Peter Parker/Val Mosier
- Make up work night 7/17 4:30pm at Pine Grove Cemetery
- A moment of silence was held for George Baily as we closed the year without him as a member.
- Mike Brewster collected Happy Dollars and there were many comments about our new members, thanking Peter for a great year, and remembering George.

Steve Geene and Jim Caverly were formally inducted into the club.

The Paul Harris Award Plus One was given to Linda LeTendre who spoke movingly about getting more from Rotary than she gives.

Steve Caine, in announcing Laura Lee as this years Rotarian of the Year, noted how her efforts and contributions exemplified the traits and accomplishments of previous Rotarians of the Year. Laura constantly shared news and encouraging club member participation in the many activities and fundraisers in which she participates and nimbly (and with good humor) planned or adapted meal requests and

scheduled changes resulting in last minute work for her, were just two of the more obvious ongoing contributions she made. She truly exemplifies 'Service Before Self' and application of the 'Four Way Test'.

The incoming officers and Board members were sworn in:
President: Jon Costolo, President Elect: Beth Brownell, President Nominee: Silas Schrader, Treasure: Peter Parker standing in for Val Mosier, Secretary: Mary Anderson, Board members: Ken Crotty, Gregg Schorr

President Peter reviewed some of the clubs accomplishments of the past year and thanked club members for their efforts that resulted in:

- Successful fundraisers: Apple Run, Apple Pie Festival, Community Breakfast and Jennie Pennington Golf Tournament
- Two new members joining the club: Steve Geene and Jim Caverly
- Scholarships given at BHBL HS, Charlton School for Girls and SCCC
- Donations to the Haiti water project and the pediatric cataract project in Bangladesh, both in concert with other Rotary clubs
- Support for Anchor Diamond Park
- Joint activities with the MOMs club, Women's Club, BHBL BPA, Flag Day parade
- Work nights and Town in Bloom

All of these things make us known in the community and provide a social framework for the local area. Some of our fundraisers may evolve in the future but their purposes remain the same.

Peter, for the last time as President, struck the bell bringing the meeting to a close. Many hands made light work of clean up. Thanks to all for your help

Serve with us. The world is waiting.

Reported by Beth Brownell

July Set Up: K. Crotty. B. Loneran. P. Parker Clean Up: P. Lewnadowski. S. Caine. F. Bailly



Steve and Jim join us!!



Linda's Paul Harris + One



Our Rotarian of the Year



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