

Reporting July 16, 2018 Meeting

Calendar of Events

Last Week: 7/9 Report of the Rotary International Convention
This Week: 7/15 Ballston Public Library Overview Colleen Smith
Next Week: 7/23 Vote on Constitution and Bylaws
7/23 Long Range Funding Meeting @ 5PM
Coming Up: 7/30 Charlton School Picnic
Invocation: Dan Stec
Attendance: 18 Rotarians 2 Guests
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 Schrader

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Bill's Paul Harris plus 3

- President Beth led the Pledge, Bob Y. America the Beautiful and Dan Stec gave a thoughtful invocation.
- We had the pleasure of meeting Darlene's Dad, Edward Prentiss, and seeing again Linda's Dad Robert LeTendre.
- Pres. Beth announced she has the documents completed for the "Corporate Membership Initiative."
- She reported that the Long-Range Funding Planning Committee is meeting at 5:00 next Monday, the 23rd.
- President Beth is looking for ideas for an on-going hands-on project. A needs assessment is required.
- A Happy Dollars "groaner joke" was dedicated to our dearly remembered Doug Turpen by Steve Caine, substituting for Mike.
- Bill Lonergan received a Paul Harris, plus three. Congratulation Bill!
- **Dues are due**



Serve With Us the World Is Waiting

Ballston Public Library Colleen Smith

Colleen provide us a very interesting presentation which covered the ever- evolving role of a modern library in our community and by doing we learned about what Ballston Public Library has for resources, and the programs and services it provides.

Our library's collections continually expand and include print, audio and video assets. There is a constant analysis of community preferences, and all acquired loaner items are tailored to meet those tastes. Ballston Library is also connected to the regional system so it is capable of getting items not in its inventory. The library also has an area for displaying community generated art.

The library has become a technology hub by providing WiFi, car DVD listening devices (Playways), public computers and all the assistance and support needed.

Ballston also provides space for quiet individual reading and reflection, meetings, both informal and formal, and an extensive program of educational and recreational offerings for all ages and interests.

The library leadership realizes its mission (to provide equitable access for knowledge and information, technology, recreation, education, meeting space, and art) and understands it both serves the community, as well as needing the community for support. It seeks ways to expand its users, collaborate with community organizations and be constantly sensitive and flexible in order to best serve its clients and stakeholders. The Ballston Public Library is a community jewel, and we can be proud that our club was instrumental in helping it start.



Collene and Beth – "Thank you."

Reporting by Steve Caine

July Set Up: Ken Crotty, Bill Lonergan, Peter Parker Clean up: Darlene Bower, Suzette Steward, Fred Baily, Steve Caine Greeter: Mike Brewster

