

Wakefield Rotary Cog

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August, 2014

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Important Dates

Friends Forever: Life-Long Peace



The team of Israeli teens posed with Saugus President Doug Currier and our own President Bob at Prince Pizza earlier this month.

Our club again teamed up with Saugus and Reading to sponsor a team of teens from Israel and Palestine through the Friends Forever, USA organization. Established by a Danvers Rotarian Robert Raiche, Friends Forever seeks to build long-lasting peace in war-torn countries by providing young people with personal experiences in peace. Based on the life-raft model, five Muslim teens and five Jewish teens visit the US and complete a service-based program. Their goal: to get to know each other, their differences and common interests, with the aim of gaining a life-long connection. When the teens return home, they will be challenged to keep their lessons learned here, alive in their home communities. The three Rotary Clubs and teens were hosted by the Saugus Rotary Club earlier this month. The teens sat among the adults and shared personal experiences of life, family and friends. Two teens spoke to the group on behalf of their team and thanked the clubs for giving them the opportunity. To learn more about Friends Forever, USA, visit www.friendsforeverusa.org. (see more photos on pages 2-3)

Friends Forever Photo Gallery



Our club had an amazing turn-out at Prince Pizza! Thanks to all of our club members who attended this joint meeting with Saugus and Reading!



(photo left)
President Bob
presents the
teen speakers
with home made
cookies from
Suzanne.

(photo below) Two teens gave their perspective on life in Israel and Palestine.





Honored Birthdays

Join us in celebrating our fellow Rotarian's birthdays! In August: Bill Fiore, Ron Masiello, Frank Fiorentino, Mike Sullivan, and Ed Harding. RYLA teen Annie Nitzche also celebrated!

Board of Directors

President Bob Mailhoit brought his second meeting of the year to order at 11:05am. Present were: Tom Stapleton, Bob Kimball, Amy Luckiewicz, Suzanne Bowering, Ed Harding, Frank Fiorentino and Mark



Curley. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were accepted. We did not have an update on a food drive date. The Family Center donation, yearlong sponsorship menu, international project and road race were all tabled until next month. As voted on at the July BOD meeting, the fines from the first Tuesday of the month will go towards the K9 fund. They will be listed on our budget under a separate line. They will not be dispersed until a K9 is purchased. At that point, the Rotary Club will use these funds to offer a dollar match to members of the community. Our club will match dollar for dollar that is raised in the community (see page 9). Tom & Suzanne updated the BOD on the Interact Club. We have had two meetings with them regarding fundraising at the Italian Festival. They seem to be a pro-active group! Golf Tournament update: HELP! We need golfers and sponsors. As of today's meeting we have 14 golfers who have paid. Many more have promised, but have to pre-registered. The BOD discussed at what point do we cancel the tournament (if not enough golfers). President Bob feels confident that we will have at least 30 golfers. Suzanne read a letter from a Wakefield High School student, requesting funds to travel to Nashville for All-Nationals Mixed Choir. The letter was submitted to the board by Jim Tarpey. The BOD voted to pay \$1200 of Liam Dailey's expenses (\$650 for registration and the rest towards air fare for him and his mom). In return, we ask him to volunteer his time to help our club: 2 hours of bell ringing, 2 hours of food drive and to participate in the Polar Plunge. (Side note, he was speechless when I told him what we could do for him. He is happy to help bell ring and help at the food drive, a little apprehensive about the Plunge, but will do it...). Amy explained (again) the Club Visioning concept. The BOD voted to participate in the program. She will send a Survey Monkey out to the club members to get a feel for the best date, and if the club wants to cancel a regular meeting, or meet twice the week of the program. Amy proposed a Veteran's program. In a nutshell - our club will coordinate with a local disabled veteran and local businesses to have a clothes and toiletry supple drive. There will be drop boxes (made by Interact) in 5 locations around town. The Vet, along with Rotarians will empty the boxes and take the items to the Veteran's homeless shelter in Boston (housing over 350 homeless Vet's). This will be a community wide drive. The BOD approved spending approximately \$375 (actual: \$336) to print flyers to be inserted in every WMGLD bill in the town of Wakefield (12,000). They will be distributed in the month of Sept. The program will begin September 1st, and end October 31st.

Rotarians on the Road

During our "day off" the week of Friends Forever, President Bob, Jay Curley, Suzanne Bowering and Amy Luckiewicz visited our neighbors the Stoneham Club at Bear Hill Country Club. Always gracious, they let Bob give a pitch about our upcoming Golf Tournament. Amy also popped by a so-

cial event at the Boston Evening Club, and visited fronds at the Ipswich Club. Don't forget, you're always welcome at clubs world-wide!

Left: Bob speaking in Stoneham. Below: Amy with East Boston/Revere Rotarian Tom Hankard and North Reading Rotarian Peter Majane.

Throwback Photo

From October 1992, Rotarians with 100% Perfect Attendance were photographed at the Lord Wakefield. Front Row: Fred Cook, Irving Zack, Jay Curley, William Ahern Back: John Tredinnick, Robert Rodgers, Bob Brown, Bob Crawford, Emile Powlowski, Robert Windsor (President), Leo "Bud" Bourdon, Michael Brownson, Bill Fiore, and Al Smith



Italian Festival Photo Gallery





(top left) Suzanne, Amy and Jim sold raffles and manned the tent while the Interact ladies (top right) helped gather names for prospective members. (bottom) Mike Sullivan met with Past President Philip DePasquale, who was also sponsor to our own Sergeant-at-Arms Frank Fiorentino!

Wakefield Rotary & Pedaling for a Purpose





On August 16th, Ipswich Rotarian Keith Harris submerged his front tire in the Atlantic off of Plumb Island, completing his cross-country bike ride to raise money for The Rotary

Foundation and the Anna Jacques Hospital. At time of splash down, Keith and Christina Harris announced that they had raised \$36,575! A party was held at the Newburyport Brewing Company to welcome him home. Our club contributed \$500 of that total.

Achievements

Remember our Keep Me Safe Storytime class that we created in partnership with the Beebe Library? Mark Curley's grandson Alan just graduated from the class! Designed to help prevent child abuse, this curriculum was purchased by our club.

Congratulations to Officer and Rotarian David Morales for being selected for our most recent "Officer of the Quarter" award. Dave is a 26 year veteran of the Wakefield Police Department and was selected for his continued high level of performance and professionalism. In his role as Police Prosecutor our Department is well respected at Malden District due to his attention to detail and strong work



ethic. According to Chief Smith, "He is a dedicated, hard-working team player that is always there to assist his brother and sister Officers." Congrats Dave!

Veterans Projects

This month the Board approved participation and financial backing of server initiatives aimed at supporting our local heroes. Our first project, in partnership with local veteran advocate Jimmy Carbone, will be a supply drive to benefit Greater Boston area homeless veterans. In addition, we will be working to adopt a family from Camp Curtis Guild and help them with stocking up for school. See Amy if you're interested in working on Veteran's projects.

K-9 Contributions

The Board also voted over the summer to earmark fines collected during the first Tuesday of the month to the new K9 fund. This fund will be part of a larger community-wide effort to purchase a new pup for WPD. We collected \$87 in July for the new fund! We're aiming for \$1,000 this year to be set aside.

Help the Veterans

They served us, now let's help them!

Veterans Supply Drive September 1 – October 31

To benefit homeless male and female veterans in the Greater Boston area

Your donations are welcome!

- * New socks and underwear
- ★ Toiletries including shave cream and dental products
- ★ New or gently worn winter clothing including thermals, gloves and coats
- * New or gently worn sweatshirts
- ★ Shower shoes and slippers of all adult sizes

Drop Off Locations:

- ★ Dockside Restaurant®, Main Street
- ★ HD Physical Therapy, North Avenue
- ★ Local Gas Station at North & Albion
 ★ Wakefield House of Pizza, Tuttle Street
- ★ Holiday Travel, Main Street

* Drop off a minimum \$10 clothing donation at Dockside in Wakefield and receive a \$10 Dockside gift card!

For more info, contact us at: wakefieldrotaryclub@yahoo.com



Goal for fines



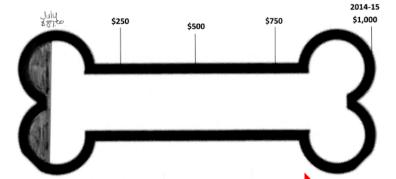






Let's remind those who served that they aren't forgotten!
A service project of the Rotary Club of Wakefield, MA
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This year's District 7930 Polar Plunge in Cape Ann will be Saturday, January 31, 2015! We'll be kicking off the official campaign in October but are now looking for members, friends and family to join our plunge team. See Amy for details!

Save the Date!



Youth Voices



Immediate Past President of Wakefield Interact Kim Green and 6 other Interact ladies visited our club this month to review upcoming plans. The Interact has over 80 students signed up for this year! Interested in helping out? Contact Suzanne or Tom!

Also, Annie Nitzche and Marc Flaherty spoke to our club this month about their "life" changing experiences at RYLA! The pair reflected on their favorite activities including a high ropes challenge, emotional "culture-walk", and community building. Marc is hoping to apply to be a RYLA leader this year as he enters his senior year. A junior this year, Annie is planning to apply next year as a leader as well. Both Marc and Annie are planning on participating in this year's Polar Plunge (January 31st) with Team Wakefield! To see a video of the teens participating in RYLA, check out our Facebook page and scroll down to postings from May.



Happy 92nd Birthday Wakefield Rotary!



On September 22nd, our club will be turning 92 years young! In celebration of our birthday, we are asking all members to bring in 5 items for the food pantry to our meeting on September 23rd. We are hoping to be able to donate 92 items to the pantry that day and pay it forward! More info on what items are needed will be sent closer to the date. We will need some help delivering the items after the meeting.

Important Save the Dates

September 2nd - Wear your favorite Patriots gear to Rotary for our "team picture"

September 8th - Wakefield Rotary Golf Tournament; volunteers, golfers and sponsors needed

September 11th - Club members will deliver breakfast and dinner to WPD and WFD

September 23rd - our club's 92nd birthday; bring 5 items for the food pantry to donate

October 21st - Official visit of District Governor Peter Simonsen

November 4th - Paul Harris Fellowship Dinner

December 16th - Our clubs annual Holiday Party

In the News & Social Media

Here is the Public Relations report for August, 2014:

Wakefield Item Press Releases: 2

Wakefield Patch Articles: 3 Updates to website: 3

Friends in our private Facebook Group: 120 (up 4)

Likes on our public Facebook Page: 154 (up 4)

Our biggest fans: women ages 45-54







Getting to Know Rotarian Paul Driscoll

A few fun facts about our Assistant Treasurer:

- He grew up in Wayland MA.
- His favorite board game as a kid was Battleship.
- Paul can't live without hikes in the woods with his dogs.
- Favorite quote: "Life is ten percent what happens to you and ninety percent how you respond to it." -Lou Holtz
- His favorite thing about our club, "George Livingston's prayers to begin each meeting, just a great reminder of what is truly important."

Photo of the Month: Can't Win if You Don't Play



At a meeting in August, at the end of the meeting, Suzanne announced that Ed Harding was the only person to buy raffle tickets that week. So guess who got 2 shots at the 50/50. Surely enough, on his second try, Ed pulled the King of Spades and won some guaranteed cash! Remember to buy your raffle tickets before each meeting for your chance to win!

Prospective Member Reminder

As members, it's everyone's role to spread the word and encourage membership growth. If you have a prospective member, please let Bob and Suzanne know. Your guest can attend 3 lunches on us. If you need help with suggestions on how to ask, see Membership Chair Melo-

Check In with Us!

Each week be sure to "check in" with Wakefield Rotary Club at Harrington's through your social media accounts. Mention that you're excited to be there, note the speaker, tag your Rotary friends, and highlight our featured projects.





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The 4 Way Test

of the Things We Think, Say, or Do...

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Is it BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Join us at Harrington's each Tuesday at noon or visit us on the web at www.wakefieldrotaryclub.org