



Wakefield Rotary Cog

Serving the local and global communities since 1992

July, 2015

Officers

Bob Kimball
Club President

Joe Buscaino
Vice President

Bruce Donovan
Treasurer

Suzanne Bowering
Club Secretary

Frank Fiorentino
Sgt. At Arms

Directors

Melody Gaeta
Judy Gordon, PP
Ed Harding
Bob Mailhoit, PP
Mario Portillo
Barbara Worley

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A Message from President Bob



2014-15 Officers and Directors were installed at the end of June at the Bear Hill Country Club. See pages 2-3 for a photo gallery from the event.

I am honored to be the Wakefield Rotary Club President this year! We are a group of volunteers who work to help make our community a better place to live and work. You see our logo in the Beebe Library, the Center for Performing Arts, the Council on Aging, in the public schools, the police, fire and veteran's services offices, the Boys & Girls Club, the Interfaith Food Pantry and more! Our newest project, the K9 Fund, partners with the Wakefield Police Department to develop the department's program and contribute to community substance abuse and prevention programs. While summer is traditionally a time to relax and escape from the normal routine we are looking for ways to improve our visibility and impact on our community. We can do both these tasks by participating in several upcoming events: the Italian Festival, our K9 Fund Golf Tournament, our fall food drive and the Wakefield Farmers Market! I encourage every member to take an active part in each of these events so we can continue to build our club in both number and reputation! Thanks for all you do to improved the lives of others and exemplify "service above self!"

Installation Recap



Among the highlights of this year's Installation Dinner was the changing of officers for our Interact Club. The students were well represented by former Interact Officers and Advisor Tom Stapleton couldn't have been more proud. Graduating Officers Waverley Stanfield and Morgan Chavez were in attendance to welcome the new incoming Interact officers (top photo). Our own Bill Fiore was recognized for his work on this year's polio campaign with the Polio Champion Award (bottom left). Secretary Suzanne Bowering was presented the Club Service Award by outbound President Bob (bottom right)

Thanks to Melody Gaeta, Judy Gordon and Lisa Roderick for coordinating the dinner and to Frank Fiorentino for stepping in as MC for the event!

Thanks to all friends, family, and Rotarians for your support of our new leadership team!



(top) John Tramontozzi administered the oath of office among many guests including our new Asst. Governor Tom Hankard, District Governor Dave Manzi (mid left), Melanie Head, Fred Singer, and Jim Taylor (left). Bob Kimball's family was also on hand for the gavel passing (mid right).

Honored Birthdays

Join us in celebrating our fellow Rotarian's birthdays! In July: Suzanne Bowering, Jay Curley, Carlos Husak, John Tramontozzi, and Joe Buscaino.

Suzanne and Jay were the only one at the birthday meeting in July!



Board of Directors July Minutes

President Bob Kimball brought the meeting to order at 11am. Present were: Frank Fiorentino, Bruce Donovan, Melody Gaeta, Suzanne Bowering, Bob Mailhoit, Judy Gordon and Ed Harding.

- The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were accepted. Frank has no complaints about the money we have spent!!! He has filed the taxes for the club.
- We discussed the club status of 501c4. Bob Kimball will check with other clubs regarding becoming a 501c3
- The golf tournament is progressing along. Starting to ramp up asking for sponsorships and golfers.
- Bob Kimball showed a preliminary Year Long Sponsorship form. It is still a work in progress.
- We are co-hosting the Israel Friends Forever on Monday, July 27th. We have cancelled the Tuesday meeting. Bob Kimball will not be able to attend; Bob Mailhoit will lead our club. Suzanne will bring treats for the teens.
- Bob Kimball will set a date for the fall food drive.
- Bob Kimball brought up the idea of a golf ball drop (fundraiser). He will follow up on a place to hold the drop.
- Meeting was adjourned at 12pm

Golf Tournament 2015

Our golf tournament is less than a month away and we're ready to accept sponsorships and golfer registrations!

Monday, August 31, 2015

8am Scramble Format

Hillview Country Club, North Reading

\$125pp includes breakfast,

18 holes of golf with cart and lunch

Special discount for female and
veteran golfers

Tournament will benefit

**Wakefield K9 Fund and community
substance abuse prevention**



Sponsorships start at
just \$200!

Nametag & Visitor Reminders

Each week, please remember to wear your nametag. It's a great way for new members and visitors to remember all of us. Frank made the original donation back in 2011 to buy new tags. If you lose yours or want a second, please let Suzanne know and she'll order them when she has a bulk. Additional tags/replacements are \$10.00.

Also, if you know you have to sneak out during a presentation, please be sure to introduce yourself to the speaker and explain that you may have to leave early. It's a polite practice that other clubs employ to make sure their guests don't feel embarrassed or disrespected when we leave early.



2014-15 Final Distributions

At Bob's last Board meeting, the Board voted on the following disbursements of funds.

Boys & Girls Club

Burnank YMCA

Wakefield Police

Beebe Library

Council on Aging

Wakefield Alliance Against Violence

(right) Bobs presented a check to Christine Fisher to the Burbank Y for camperships. Gene Dion (below) and the new local Boys & Girls Executive Director also received a donation to update technology at the Wakefield location.



Help Needed, Opportunity Provided

The following initiative chairs are seeking help with projects. Do you have a special interest? See the assigned chair for more information.

Corporate Memberships - Lee Nalewenski

Membership Drive - Lee Nalewenski

Scholarships - Chair needed

High School Interact - Suzanne Bowering or Tom Stapleton

International Project - Bob Kimball

Dictionary Project - Chair needed

Foundation Projects - Barbara Worley

Fundraising - Bob Kimball

Newsletter Contributions - Amy Luckiewicz

Website Management - Amy Luckiewicz

Social Networking - Amy Luckiewicz

Polar Plunge and Polio Plus - Amy Luckiewicz

Social Events - Chair needed

Guest Speakers - Joe Buscaino

Birthdays - Suzanne Bowering

Greeters - Amy Luckiewicz

Annual Induction Ceremony - Chair needed

Paul Harris Dinner - Judy Gordon

**Got your own idea?
See President Bob!**



Friends Forever

In late July, our club met with the Saugus Rotary Club for the Friends Forever presentation. Among the highlights was the recital of a Maya Angelou poem by two of the students, one from each school, Eilam and Dunia. They read the first four stanzas and then talked about their hopes and ambitions. Eilam talked about wanting to become Prime Minister and Dunia talked about wanting to go to medical school in Germany to become a surgeon. Also,

there was an Israelei Rotary flag presentation from students from the Carmel Zvulun Regional High School and students from the Galilee Municipal Experimental High School presented us with magnets from Bethlehem Jerusalem and Nazareth. The Wakefield Club presented the students with homemade brownies by Suzanne and the Saugus Club presented the students with candy. Truly, it was a memorable evening and a great club partnership was renewed.

Dominican School Supplies Needed

In early September, Suzanne and Amy (and their moms) are traveling to the Dominican for vacation. They'll be stopping by our sponsored school to drop off some needed school supplies for the children. Please keep an eye out for back-to-school deals and help them fill up their suitcases! Pencils, sharpeners, erasers, markers, crayons, and notebooks are just some of the items needed. See Suzanne if you wish to make a donation instead and she'll shop for you!



Important Save the Dates

August 20th - Rotary Day at the Red Sox, see below

August, 31st - Wakefield Rotary Golf Tournament to benefit the K9 fund, see page 5 for info

September 15th - The Council on Aging will be visiting and updating the club on happenings

September 22nd - Our own Jim Fitzgerald will be speaking

November 9th - Membership & Foundation Forum

January 23rd - 2016 Polar Plunge

Have an idea for a speaker? Speak with Joe Buscaino

Remember to check out our website for speaker listings and event updates!

K-9 Contributions

Wakefield PD and the community was saddened by the loss of Leo, our beloved police dog last year. Chief Smith has announced he is ready to staff for the position again in a few months. In preparation, the Board voted to continue to earmark all fines collected on the first Tuesday of the month to a fund to purchase a new police pup once the department is ready! We collected \$162 in July already!



Join us at the Red Sox

Join Rotary District 7930 for an evening of baseball and friendship on Thursday, August 20th. The \$50 price includes a buffet dinner at Pizzeria Uno's in Kenmore Square and a ticket to see the Red Sox take on the Royals. The evening is open to all community members, Rotarians, friends and family. Network, enjoy a relaxed evening and meet volunteers from the 47 communities of our local Rotary District. To register, contact Amy.

Photo of the Month

Rotary District 7930, which boasts 47 clubs in northern Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire, held its annual District Installation dinner at the Danversport Yacht Club on June 29. Kicking off the program was none other than Rene Rancourt, who led nearly 400 Rotarians in the National Anthem. Rancourt has sung the US and Canadian national anthems at the Bruins hockey games for more than 35 years. Some of the 2015-2016 presidents are seen with Rancourt, including Wakefield Rotary Club's Bob Kimball (far right).



Prospective Member Policy

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 Melody.

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