

Reporting ZOOM Meeting of 21 June 2021

Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves.

Calendar of Events

Last Week: 6/14 Saratoga Arts – Louise Kerr

This Week: 6/21 Scholarship Winners

Next Week: 6/28 Changeover Meeting at the Charlton School

Coming Up: 7/5 No meeting

Note: Regular ZOOM Meetings are held Mondays at 6:00 pm. Check your e-mail inbox the day of the meeting for the computer ZOOM ID# and Password, as well as the phone number you can use to phone in if using your cell phone to participate.

*Please give suggestions for future programs to Darlene Bower and Dan Stec.
Find us at bhblrotary.org and on Facebook*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The **June 28th in-person** Changeover Meeting will be held at the Charlton School. Sign up NOW to purchase box lunches from Panera's. Suzette has sent an e-mail to each member with the menu. Please make a choice from that menu and send your selection to Suzette. We will pay Suzette for our food at the Changeover meeting.
- The Changeover meeting ends the year of leadership by Gregg Schorr and begins the new Rotary year with Dan Stec. It will be a celebration of all we accomplished together during the challenging pandemic year. Guests and all the members not seen virtually are encouraged to attend.
- Members of the Peace Pole project met with representatives of the Burnt Hills Library on Tuesday June 15. Plans are underway! Maryellen shared the response of a survey responded to by 217 students with their ideas about the languages that should be on the Peace Pole. Spanish was the top suggestion at 66%. 8 languages will be selected by the PP Committee.
- Operation Hunger continues under Maryellen's leadership. You missed a funny story about the unidentified gentleman who did the food delivery. (Maryellen's husband). Items suggested by the Galway Food Bank leader include stuffing, white rice, Jell-O, pudding, flour, sugar, shampoo. Your donations are appreciated.
- Darlene and Gregg presented our \$500 donation to 4-H for the new building. Darlene shared the tour they were given, and the new potential service ideas gained. We have a history with 4-H.

Our Rotary Scholarship Recipients

Annually we have been presenting scholarships to Burnt Hills Ballston Lake High School graduates. We were very pleased to have two guests at our meeting.

Madelyn Crawford is one of us. She receives the Interact Club Award. We already met her when she helped with our community dinners and the Holiday Parade event in December. As an Interact member, Madelyn has spearheaded projects such as the annual school food drive which helped feed over 100 BHBL families over the holidays and fundraising to support a family in need. Madelyn has been a leader and role model to all members of the Interact Club. She will attend Champlain College in Burlington, Vt., in the fall. We look forward to staying in touch with Madelyn as she continues to exemplify Service above Self.

Haileigh Deming receives the BH-BL Rotary Award for Education. This award is made in honor of Jennie Pennington. Jennie was our first female Rotarian and a significant school leader as high school Principal. This award is given to an outstanding senior who has been accepted at a college in the field of education and subsequently plans to be a teacher. We learned that Haileigh plans to be a science teacher and that is because of the role model of a HS teacher. She is the 2021 Salutatorian, and has been involved in Concert Band, Varsity Volleyball, the Leadership Training Program, the Principal's Advisory Council, Interact, and Science Club. Haileigh will attend SUNY Oneonta.

Unable to attend our meeting are the following Awardees:

Ammom Smith – BHBL Rotary Award for Citizenship. This award is presented in honor of many great Rotarians like Dr. Garrison, Ken Fritz, Bill Sewell, Len Porter. This award is given to the student who demonstrates the true meaning of citizenship in the community and school. Ammon will attend Brigham Young University and major in Industrial Design. His list of school clubs and activities is very long and includes preparing this year's virtual school Follies program.

Isaiah Smith is our 3rd Rotary Skilled Workforce Scholar. The criteria for this award include shown a strong work ethic, the capacity to grow in the workforce from classroom performance, an internship experience, and/or employment in a skilled trade. Isaiah was unable to join our meeting because he was working. He will attend Hudson Valley to pursue a degree in automotive technology. Watch out, Mike!

Katherine Johnson receives the Jack and Mary Wolfe Scholarship. She will attend Springfield College in the fall and major in Physical Therapy. She will put science to work with service.

Reported by Mary Anderson