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## Three Islanders Recognized as Unsung Heroes



**Patrick  
Calvo**



**Patricia  
McGee**



**Nazareth  
Laursen**

The North Shore Rotary Club recognized three of our Community's Unsung Heroes with Service Above Self Awards, each who, through devotion and exemplary efforts embody Rotary's motto of Service Above Self.

Patrick Calvo, Patricia McGee, and Nazareth Laursen were all honored for making a positive impact in the life of others.

Nazareth was also surprised and recognized with Paul Harris Fellow Recognition. The Paul Harris Fellow is the highest honor that the North Shore Rotary Club may bestow on any one individual.

Nazareth is the second non-Rotarian Community Leader to receive this recognition from the North Shore Rotary Club. Frank Siller of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation was recognized with the recognition in 2013.



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by Rotary International

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**END POLIO NOW**



**We celebrated World Polio Day a week early to recognize the progress made in the global fight to end polio! We really are "this close" to eradicating polio and that all thanks to Rotary International and the hard work Rotarians have done for more than 30 years all over the Globe! Rotarians have contributed \$1.9 Billion and countless volunteer hours to protect more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries from this paralyzing disease.**



**Thank you PDG Janet DiBenedetto for providing insight! The club pledged money for the Rotary Foundation's PolioPlus fund that will get matched up to 3x by the Foundation and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Learn more at [endpolionow.org](http://endpolionow.org)!**



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Thursday, January 2, 2020

**NO MEETING**

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

**BOARD MEETING,**

**WILKINSON RESIDENCE**

Thursday, January 9, 2020

**JOINT CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Thursday, January 16, 2020

**CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Thursday, January 23, 2020

**CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Thursday, January 30, 2020

**SOCIAL · BOCCE NIGHT,**

**IL PALLINO**

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

**BOARD MEETING,**

**WILKINSON RESIDENCE**

Thursday, February 6, 2020

**CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Thursday, February 13, 2020

**S.I. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Thursday, February 13, 2020

**CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Thursday, February 20, 2020

**CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

Friday, February 21, 2020

**NIGHT AT THE RACES**

**IMMANUEL UNION CHURCH**

Thursday, February 27, 2020

**CLUB MEETING,**

**LIGRECI'S STAATEN**

## Share the Love!!

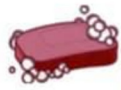
### Donate to Our Blessing Bag Drive

Could you imagine going through your daily routine without the basics: toothbrush, toothpaste, clean water, deodorant, or even your socks and underwear?

For many of our local area Homeless in Staten Island, this is **everyday life**.

This is where **YOU** can help!! We are collecting Blessing Bag items to distribute to Staten Island's neediest population.

#### Suggested Items



Toothbrushes & Toothpaste  
Shampoo & Conditioners  
Soap or Body Wash  
Hairbrushes & Hair Combs  
Tampons & Sanitary Napkins  
Deodorant



Gloves, Hats & Scarves  
New Packages of Underwear (Especially Women's and Children's sizes)  
New Packs of Socks  
Granola Bars  
Large Ziploc Bags

\*\*\*Travel sized items work best.

Your donation will make a big impact on someone's life this winter!

Donations can be dropped off at:

Rab's Country Lanes  
1600 Hylan Boulevard  
Staten Island, NY 10305

OR e-mail [Statenislandrotaract@gmail.com](mailto:Statenislandrotaract@gmail.com) for pickup!

If you would like to make a monetary donation, you can do so through Venmo @StatenIsland-Rotaract or

via e-mail to [Statenislandrotaract@gmail.com](mailto:Statenislandrotaract@gmail.com)



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### BIRTHDAYS

Dennis Surmanek	Jan. 1
Dimitrios Papanikos	Jan. 19
Gale Strassberg	Feb. 9
Paul Scarmadella	Feb. 14

### ANNIVERSARIES

Dennis Surmanek	Jan.10, 2012 8 years
Michael D'Angelo	Jan.1,1984 36 years
Herbert Applebaum	Jan.1, 1973 47 years




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