



# **WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP**

## **Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club**

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**Wednesday,  
January 11,  
2017**

Next week:  
Alison Hunt, District Director for  
Congressman Tom Reed

President Dick Austin led the pledge and borrowed a page from the "Pat Kraus Prayer Book: for the invocation.

### **Visiting Rotarians**

- Stephanie Hesler, Canandaigua – to be inducted into Geneva Rotary next week

### **Guests**

- Mark Rokow, former Interactor and now student at American University. Mark shared that when he started school at American University there was no Rotoract Club, so he started one!! They are partnered with the Federal City Rotary Club and have broken the record of over 100 new members!
- Alicia Baker, daughter of Ted Baker

### **50/50**

- Bob McFadden split \$71/35 with the Polio Plus

### **Announcements**

- Mary Lawthers announced that the next Club Social will be on January 23 at Cosentino's Restaurant. She reminded us that this would count as a make-up meeting.
- Charlie Bauder will have a report on the Salvation Army Collection next week.
- Paul Kirsch sadly announced that Geneva Rotarian David Brind's wife, Shirley, passed away. Our condolences to David and his family.
- Ken Steadman announced that Bob McCarthy's father-in-law passed away. Our condolences to Bob and his family.
- Lisa Ventura announced that plans are moving along for the SAS dinner. We are starting to collect wine for the silent auction. Bring your donations to a future meeting or drop them off at Tara's office at Lyons National Bank. Also, a new request this year – if you have extra frequent flyer points, hotel points or a vacation a rental, these could be donated as well.

## Fines and Happy Dollars

- Ellen Wayne got engaged!!! *Wow! Congratulations, Ellen!!!!*
- Dave Cook wanted to know if the new D.C. Rotoract Club will help to “drain the swamp”.
- Trina Newton was happy that her team beat Baylor. She was also happy to report that the Outdoor Projects initiative has been approved by the State Education Department
- Karen Luttrell is leaving Monday on another “boondoggle” to Key West! (*Really, Karen???*)
- Lisa Ventura was happy that her daughter was home for a visit but sad that the house is now too quiet.
- Dick Austin has one more week before leaving for his training in Chicago.

## Program

**Joell Murney-Karsten, Community Outreach Coordinator for del Lago Resort and Casino** gave an update on the soon to be opened Casino and Resort.

- The Casino is scheduled to open on February 1, 2017
- Phase I will open first with the casino, a food court, restaurants and a performing arts center.
- Phase II will open in the summer and will include a 205 room hotel, restaurant, spa and banquet facility.
- A child care facility will be included at the old Bonadent building.
- Since this is not a Native American owned facility, they will pay taxes, and it will be a no-smoking venue.
- It is projected that they will pay \$77 million in taxes to New York State in the first year of operation.
- The resort is being promoted as a “Destination Resort” promoting local New York State products including beer, wine and cheese.
- MacKenzie Childs will be operating a retail facility on the property as well as furnishing all of the bathrooms with the unique MacKenzie Childs décor. (*Mary Lawthers and others are excited about that!*)
- The Resort is also partnering with CMAC and the New York Culinary Center.

In summary, this new endeavor will be a welcome addition to the Finger Lakes area!

### Four 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. Will it be beneficial for All Concerned?**

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