



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
February 8,
2017**

Next week:

Debbie Hoffman-Foster
Grandparent Program

Past President Mike Rusinko led the pledge and gave the invocation.

Visiting Rotarians

- None

Guests

- Many Interactors: Joe Arruda, Patrick Asamoah, Mallory Burrall, Mitchell Burrall, Calvin Cataldo, Quinn Eighmey, Austin Ellison, Kristen Elleler, Stephen Fazio, Lily Feinberg, Jeff FitzGerald, Kathleen Gearan, Jack Harris, Max Harris, Nate Hesler, Sean Hesler, McKayla Hyde, Ethan Koczent, Goergedaiz Lopez, Patrick Mahoney, Claire McCulloch, Adam Nardone, Angel Ochoa, Aliscia Richardson, Lily Sellers, India Tyler, James VanScoter, James Williams
- Interact parents & friends: Janice Colon (Patrick Mahoney), Chris Fazio (Stephen), Jen Harris (Jack & Max), Stephanie Hesler (Nate & Sean), Tanya Richardson (Aliscia), Anne Buckley
- Rotaractors: Emily Ott and Sophie Ritter
- Harley Roberson (prospective member and guest of Phil Beckley)

50/50

- Anne Buckley split \$139/69 with the Polio Plus and generously gave it back to Polio Plus. (*Thank you, Anne!*)

Announcements

- Lisa Ventura gave a report on the SAS Dinner. We are still collecting bottles of wine and items for the silent auction. Next meeting will be at Bank of the Finger Lakes on February 27, 5:15 p.m. Save the date cards are out. Reservations are already coming in for the dinner.
- Jim Dickson announced that five people will be inducted as Paul Harris Fellows - two on February 22 and three on March 1. He asked that all current Paul Harris Fellows please wear your medallions to those meetings. District Governor, Tom Rogers will be at both meetings.
- Mary Lawthers announced the next club social will be at the American Legion, Friday, Feb. 17 at 5:30 p.m.

Fines and Happy Dollars

- Dave Cook quipped that Mrs. Fazio should join Rotary to spend more time with her son, Stephen, as he is at Rotary every week!
- Ted Baker was happy for the Patriots' Super Bowl win. He said that this was one of his favorite New England games. (*Really, Ted?.....not THE favorite??!!*)
- Ken Steadman recently returned from a trip to South America. He shared some stories from his experience.
- Ford Weiskittel spent five days in Washington, DC. Including attending an opening at the Folger Shakespeare Library of an exhibit of manuscripts from his Oxford college celebrating 500 years of history since its founding in 1517.
- Interactor James Williams was happy for a GHS varsity hockey win last night. (*Congratulations!*)
- John Watson recognized Mary Gearan for serving as a judge of the oratory contest.
- Ellen Wayne thanked the Interact and Rotaract students for working the Community Lunch Program.
- Bill Buell was happy for the Syracuse win, but sad for the "state of Washington (DC)".

Interact Report(s)

Report from the February 7th Interact Meeting & February 8th Rotary Lunch:

- 1) February 8th was our annual Valentine's Day Bake Sale, and it was a huge success. Thank you to all that made goods and/or helped auction them off to the Rotarians!
- 2) The Community Lunch program is looking for volunteers on Tuesday, February the 21st from 9:00am-1:00pm to help prepare and serve the meal. The lunch is held at the First Methodist Church.
- 3) The Geneva Public Library is looking for volunteers on March 11th and April 15th for set up and take down, respectively, of their book sale.
- 4) Congratulations to Kate Equinozzi who is participating in the Summer Rotary Exchange Program to the Netherlands!
- 5) The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 14th at 2:35pm. See you there!

My Best,
Sydney Mittiga
Interact Secretary

Minutes from the January 31st Interact meeting:

- 1) At next week's Rotary lunch the Interact club will be having their Annual Valentine's Day Bake Sale! Be sure to join us in auctioning off baked goods to the Rotarians and bring in something tasty to sell at the lunch.
- 2) There will be a library book sale on Saturday, March 11th and Saturday, March 15th - volunteers will be needed.

3) Congratulations to all scholar athletes, in Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Volleyball, Girls Tennis, Golf, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, and all those that received individual awards.

4) Our guest speaker was Stu Einstein who runs the Community Lunch program. The Community Lunch is a thirty-four year old program that is currently held at the First United Methodist Church located at the upper western end of Seneca Street in downtown Geneva. A hot lunch is provided during the week days, even on holidays. The Community Lunch operates purely on grants and donations, and the meals are cooked and served by volunteers. At the Community Lunch, there is an average of forty-five meals served. During the winter, there is an average of sixty meals served. People find out about the lunch through social service offices and services. No registration or sign-in is necessary to have a meal. Each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday is staffed by the same team of volunteers, a different team on Monday from Tuesday and so on. A different organization each month adopts Thursday to volunteer for. On Tuesday, February 21st, from 9:00am-1:00pm, the Community Lunch program is looking for volunteers to prep food, help with food delivery, serve food, organize food, and hand out donated products.

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Lincoln's Gettysburg Address

As it has been the custom for many years, Lisa Toole read the Gettysburg Address in honor of President Lincoln's birthday. This custom was started by her late father, Fred Toole, who would have been 100 years old this past September, and was continued for many years by Paul Kirsch. She began with a history of the Battle of Gettysburg and how the Gettysburg Address came to be. We should always remember this significant piece of our history!

Bake Sale!!!

Our resident auctioneer, Mike Rusinko, conducted a lively auction of baked goods provided by our Interactors (and their Moms!) This year's proceeds will be used to support the Interact International Project, still to be determined. Proceeds are a secret until all is revealed at the next Interact meeting.

Thank you Interactors for all that you do!!

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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