



# **WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP**

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

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**Wednesday,  
March 22,  
2017**

Next week:  
John Heilbrunn, Halco Exec. VP  
to speak about climate change.

Past President Lisa Ventura led the pledge and the invocation.

### **Visiting Rotarians**

- Janet Tenreiro, Canandaigua
- Kari Buch, Canandaigua

### **Guests**

- Kelly Valenti, guest of Mary Luckern

### **Announcements**

- Mary Lawthers reminded us that the next club social will be Friday, March 31 at 5:30 p.m. at the American Legion.
- Rev. Jim Adams announced the St. Peter's "Academy Awards" Dinner to be held on April 2, at 5:00 p.m. Honorees are Tom McClure and Pablo Falbru. The meal will be catered by Beef and Brew, and our Interact co-President Stephen Fazio will be providing entertainment.
- Ellen Wayne announced that Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes is celebrating their 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Future events include "Catholic Charities Day" in New York State on April 24, and the "Sharing the Light" dinner on June 8. She thanked everyone for their support.
- Ford Weiskittel announced that Geneva Concerts will present a program of Celtic Music by "River City Brass" on March 25 at the Smith Opera House.
- The SAS dinner is one month away. We still need wine donations and silent auction items. Please bring them to Tara Rago at Lyons National Bank or to a future meeting. The next meeting is Tuesday, March 28, 5:15 p.m. at Lochland School. Reservations can be made by calling Karen Luttrell at 315-789-1500 or by going to the website [GenevaRotaryClub.org](http://GenevaRotaryClub.org) for online reservations.

### **50/50**

- Shad Cook split \$107/53 with Polio Plus and generously gave it back! *Thanks, Shad!*

## Fines and Happy Dollars

***(Editor's note: We had many happy dollars this week in rapid fire succession, so please forgive me if I didn't get all of them!)***

- Lisa Ventura just returned from North Carolina after spending one month with her daughter and new grandson. While visiting the hospital she was reminded by the parking valet that you can still be “hot” and be a “Grandma”. (*Congratulations, Grandma Lisa!*)
- Tara Rago had told us last week that she will be going back to work full time at the bank in a management position. At the time she mentioned that her husband had an interview with the Sheriff's department and was waiting for the outcome. She was happy to report that he got the job! (*Congrats!*)
- Bob McCarthy went to his father-in-law's funeral service in Massachusetts. He was a Rotarian and, as Bob reminded us, a member of the ‘Greatest Generation’.
- Jim DeVaney has been following Notre Dame basketball and ACC games around New York State. He ran into several fellow Rotarians at the games – among them, Trina Newton and Jim Dickson.
- Dave Cook saw a “Drunk Shakespeare” performance and enjoyed it. (*Dave, are you sure it wasn't the other way around?!*)
- Trina Newton, a diehard West Virginia fan, thanked a fellow Rotarian for ACC tickets. She was also proud of the GHS Robotics team who came in 4<sup>th</sup> out of 49 at the regional conference.
- Bob McFadden was happy to report that the Finger Lakes Federal Credit Union is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Mary Lawthers got a text from her daughter that she is seven years cancer free. (*Great news, Mary!*)
- Chris Lavin noted that part of Mark Gearan's legacy as President of HWS was the establishment of the “Geneva 20/20” program and working together to support the Geneva School District. He announced that the school District has been awarded a federal grant for \$5.8 million over five years! (*Fantastic!*)
- Ellen Wayne and her fiancé had a harrowing experience during the last snowstorm. After several flight delays and cancellations (and a lot of cussing) they finally made it to Florida.
- Shad Cook noted that while we were consumed with the snowstorm last week, John Rossi was “suffering” in Florida and had to stay three more days in Miami. (*Geez, tough break!*)
- John Rossi was sorry he had to “endure” more time in Florida, but meeting Steffi Graff and Andre Agassi made it worthwhile
- Ted Baker, referring to Lisa Ventura's spike heeled shoes, commented that his “Grandma” never wore shoes like that!
- Mickey Schultz is proud that her grandson is captain of his lacrosse team. She also mentioned that they had two inches of snow in Penn Yan this morning.
- Jim Dickson was happy that Michigan did well in the ACC tournament.
- John Watson was in North Carolina and played golf with his son.
- Charlie Bartishevich also had a “snowstorm” story. While his wife was out of town, he celebrated his son's birthday by taking him to the movies. Then the snow came and they were “stuck in the house” for 60 hours straight. By that time his son was ready to go back to school! (*We get it, Charlie!*)
- John Johnson had been waiting 79 years for Northwestern to be in the ACC tournament. He kicked in \$10 even though they lost.
- Ruth Leo was happy to have a week off from doing the “Wrap-up”.

## Interact Report

Here is what happened at this week's Interact meeting on March 21:

1) Thank you to everyone who helped out with the Library book sale on Saturday, March 11th.

The list of helpers includes:

Nick Askin  
Jake Chilbert  
Stephen Fazio  
James Williams

2) The next volunteer opportunity will be on Saturday, April 15th with the Geneva Library.

3) The annual Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) is held at RIT from June 25th to June 29th. Ford sent out an email on February 15th with more information about the program. Applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis. If you have any questions, or wish to apply, please contact Ford or talk to a previous attendee (Stephen Fazio or Angel Ochoa).

4) Pick a date for Interact Club to run Rotary Club Lunch Meeting, maybe June 7th?

5) The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:35 pm. See you there!

Yours Truly,  
Patrick Asamoah  
Interact Vice President

## Program

Janet Tenreiro, gave us an update on the District Conference to be held in Erie, PA, May 19-21. Activities will include:

- All-In Casino night
- Sunday brunch
- Golf outing
- Picnic
- Luncheon Cruise

You can register and pay on-line at: [www.districtconference.org](http://www.districtconference.org).

### 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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