



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
April 5,
2017**

Next week:
Melissa Nesbit, Exec. Director
for Seneca Housing Authority

Our Prodigal Son, Dick Austin, led the pledge and gave the invocation. Glad to have you back only to find out later that you will be gone again for two weeks!

Visiting Rotarians

Neil Teague, Seneca Falls

Guests

Jessica Grant, Manager of Fairfield Inn – guest of Mickey Schultz

Neil Braman, Director of Planning and Zoning for City of Geneva – guest of John Oughterson

Bruce Tuxill - guest of Phil Beckley

Announcements

- The SAS dinner is fast approaching. We still need wine donations and silent auction items. Please bring them to Tara Rago at Lyons National Bank or to a future meeting. Reservations can be made by calling Karen Luttrell at 315-789-1500 or by going to the website, GenevaRotaryClub.org for online reservations. Shad Cook said he has extra wine to share if you haven't purchased yours yet. See him after the meeting.
- Dick Austin announced that \$25,000 has already been raised in sponsorships for the dinner.
- Jeff Pierce announced that the Geneva Baseball team has coupons for Mark's Pizzeria
- And if you don't like Mark's Pizza, Stephanie Hesler has coupons for Cam's Pizza to benefit Class of 2017 graduation party.
- Mary Lawthers announced the next Club Social will be May 5, at Cuccino's in Geneva. This is the same night as "Geneva Night Out".

50/50

John Watson split \$104/52 with Polio Plus.

Fines and Happy Dollars

- Dick Austin was happy to be home after 10 weeks in Chicago. He said that Chicago was great but he's still glad to be back.
- Shad Cook made the comment when Dave Cook walked in, "there's the second best looking Cook in this Club!" (*Sorry, no rebuttal from Dave?!*)
- When asked for "words of wisdom", Bill Buell replied "Enjoy the Now." (*Good advice, Bill!*)
- Ron Telarico had a happy dollar for Dick's return
- Kelly Bradley went to Tampa for an Ashley meeting and had a good time. She also had a happy dollar for her boyfriend's daughter who is the leading women's lacrosse player at Brockport.
- Karen Luttrell was also glad to have Dick back.
- Dave Cook went to a dinner at Onondaga Community College in Syracuse honoring several young people and their success stories coming from adversity. He was proud of them and their accomplishments.
- Bob Stenzel had happy dollars for the University of North Carolina NCAA basketball championship. (*Go Tarheels!*)
- Jerry Forcier was sad that his girlfriend's dog passed away, but was happy that his 11-year old "Elmer" is still alive and kicking!
- Charlie Bartishevich, after previously badgering Bob McFadden for not waving to him, was texting back and forth with him the other day like a couple of 13 year old girls! (*Shame on you – you know you're not supposed to text and drive!*)
- Bill McGowan noted that he and his wife, Nancy, have two adopted sons. One is from Nigeria and the other is from Viet Nam. He noted that polio is still prevalent in Nigeria and the effort is ongoing to eradicate polio in the Muslim part of that country. He is grateful to Rotarians supporting Polio Plus in these countries.
- Mickey Schultz was thankful to all doctors and caregivers who have cared for her friends suffering from illness.
- Bill Buell thought he would never say it, but he was glad to see Dick Austin back!
- Mary Lawthers had a happy dollar for her granddaughter who broke her school record for discus in track and field.
- Dick Austin shared 10 happy dollars with his sister, Danielle, for their grandmother's 85th birthday! She is affectionately known as "Diesel"! They will be celebrating on Sunday.
- ***Correction from last week's Wrap-up:*** John Oughterson was happy that Rotaract put in 125 hours of service so far this year. (*I erroneously said that raised \$125!! I told you I couldn't hear!!*)

Program

Our speaker was **Nash Brock, Executive Director for Ontario Co. Habitat for Humanity.** Nash gave an overview of Habitat for Humanity and the services it provides. Highlights included:

- Their mission is bringing people together for a common purpose – that everyone has a decent place to live.
- Started in 1976 and has grown into a global non-profit organization world-wide
- Ontario Co. has built 20 homes, 9 of them in Geneva.
- 40% of the population is below poverty level.

- Many homes are aging and in disrepair with problems such as mold which creates chronic illness.
- A better home environment will foster a higher success rate, health improvements and families will spend more time with each other

Criteria for Habitat Homes

- Need of housing
- Financial need
- Partnership

How to Help

- Volunteers for outreach (Currently over 400 volunteers)
- Mentorship
- Special events
- Most importantly, spread the word to neighbors and community.

<p>Four way test: “Of the things we think, say or do:”</p> <p><i>1. Is it The Truth?</i> <i>2. Is it Fair to All Concerned?</i> <i>3. Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?</i> <i>4. Will it be beneficial for All Concerned?</i></p>				
<p>Dick Austin President</p>	<p>Tara Rago President-Elect</p>	<p>Shad Cook Vice President</p>	<p>Ford Weiskittel Secretary</p>	<p>Karl Hagen Treasurer</p>