



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
May 10,
2017**

Next week:

Not yet determined.

President Dick Austin led the pledge and gave the invocation

Visiting Rotarians

- Neal Teague, Seneca Falls

Guests

- Dr. Richard Kasulke, guest of Charlie Bauder (potential member)
- Neal Braman, guest of John Oughterson (potential member)
- Interactors Sean Hesler and James Williams. Sean will be going to Cornell next year, and James will spend one year in Slovakia as a Rotary Outbound Foreign Exchange student after graduation.

Announcements

- John Rossi reminded us that Geneva Country Club is offering a special “social membership” to Rotary members. See John if you are interested.
- Charlie Bauder reported on the No Interest Student Loan program. In addition, two Service-above-Self awards will go to two deserving Geneva High students.
- Ellen Wayne announced the Sharing the Light Award dinner will be held on June 8.
- Jim Dickson reminded everyone of the “Adopt-a-Highway” program, Saturday, May 20. Meet between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. at the corner of Route 14 South and Billsboro Road. Dick Austin “modeled” the appropriate clothing – however it was recommended that boots be worn, not sneakers.
- The final SAS dinner meeting will be held on Monday, May 15, 5:15 p.m. at Torrey Park.

50/50

- Joyce Archer split \$91/45 with Polio Plus.

Fines and Happy Dollars

- **DAN (not Bob)** Quigley was proud to announce that he has two new great-grandchildren! (*Congratulations, DAN!*) **This is a correction from last week!! My apologies, Dan!!!**
- Mary Lawthers' granddaughter, who is a student at Assumption College, broke the school record in the Northeast Division for discus. This was her personal best at 130 feet!! (*You have every reason to be proud, Mary!*)
- Karen Luttrell and her husband both won big at the casino!! (*Geez, Karen, wish some of that luck would rub off on us!*)
- Charlie Bauder had a sad dollar for the Hobart Lacrosse Team, but all in all they had a good season.
- A get-well card for Mary Luckern was circulated for signing. She is recuperating in the hospital.
- John Oughterson had a happy dollar for the MasterMinds competition last week.
- James Williams had a happy dollar for the GHS Lacrosse team beating Penn Yan.
- Charlie Wilson was happy to be back from Florida and is loving the Geneva sunshine.
- Dave Cook recently played at a funeral with military honors and noted that the Honor Guard was left shaking in their boots when Bruce Tuxhill (a Major-General) showed up in uniform!
- Charlie Bartishevich was having lunch with his father in a local restaurant when Chris Lavin walked in. When Charlie asked Chris about Mary Luckern, his father asked if Chris was Mary's husband. After the laughter subsided, Chris paid up with \$2 and quipped that "Mary would never marry a man like me!"
- And while we're on the subject of Chris Ellen Wayne said that he asked if she needed a ride while she was walking at 6:00 a.m. She said he was "shaking a bag of Tootsie Rolls" as an inducement (*Does that make Chris the "candy man"??*)
- President Dick Austin imposed the following fines:
 - Lisa Ventura for her name in the paper in "Days of Yore" for being the first recipient of the Leadership Geneva Distinguished Leader Award;
 - Anyone in the Club named Charlie (there are three of them!);
 - Mary Gearan for the "Farewell" to her and Mark in the Finger Lakes Times;
 - Himself for not mentioning the Student Loan Program at the dinner;
 - John Rossi for his name in the paper.
- Bill Buell gave \$5.00 and was grateful to still be here. (*We're glad you're still here too, Bill!*)
- Jim Dickson wanted to remind us that over \$161,000 has been given to the Rotary Foundation over the years.

Interact Report:

We know you are all very busy with exams and end of year stuff, so here are a few things to think about from this past week's Interact meeting (05/09/17):

(1) We need to have elections for next year's officers, so we can announce the results at the June 7th meeting. We need a President, a Vice-president, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Treasurer has to have a driver's license by next September to have signing authority over the Interact bank account and comply with the Patriot Act.

Feel free to nominate someone who you think would make a good officer. Even more important, however, please feel free to nominate yourself, if you would like to serve. In the past, most candidates were Interactors who nominated themselves.

(2) We looked at a PowerPoint of Federal Form 990 for "Rescue International", the official name for the charity that we heard about earlier in the year. Grace Mirchandani is trying to raise \$25,000 to build an orphanage in India. We found out that the organization as a whole raised \$6 million in 2015, the last year reported, but their administrative costs are only \$100,000. That is a good organization to consider as a destination for our funds.

(3) We also heard about a Donors Choose project at West Street School to fund an easel for a classroom. It would cost \$148 to fully fund it.

(4) We also looked at making a contribution to Thrive to Survive, a local cancer support group founded in part by Max and Jack Harris' mom.

(5) Lastly, we talked about having the robotics team bring their robot to the June 7th Rotary meeting to show it off and talk about its creation. We are actively looking for ideas of things to do at that meeting, so let's hear your ideas!!

See you next week at Interact.

Program

Petrea Rae, Coalition Coordinator for Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition of Ontario County gave an eye-opening presentation on Substance Abuse in Ontario County.

Its Mission: To collaboratively engage, inform and unite our communities in the reduction of substance abuse through prevention efforts.

- Restricting availability of prescription drugs at home through education and communication
- Supporting and expanding medication take back program within Ontario County
- 32% of youth in Ontario Co. report obtaining prescription drugs not prescribed to them from their home or the home of a friend or relative.
- Drug disposal locations: Geneva Police Station and North St. Pharmacy
- Too many prescription drugs can lead to heroin addiction

In response to Q&A:

- If needles are found during the "Adopt-a-Highway" cleanup, do not pick up! Call the police!
- When our Interact students were asked about drug use in school, they both said they were aware of it but would never use them.

How to get involved:

- Volunteer to help the coalition with one of the above strategies
- Attend an event
- Join our list-serve to stay informed on information related to Heroin, Prescription drugs, and other drug trends.

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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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