



# **WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP**

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

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**Wednesday,  
May 17,  
2017**

Next week:

Jeff True

President Dick Austin led the pledge and gave the invocation.

In order to take advantage of the beautiful weather, our meeting was set up outside on the patio.

### **Visiting Rotarians**

- None

### **Guests**

- Dr. Richard Kasulke, guest of Charlie Bauder (will be inducted next week)
- Liam Schmitt, former Interactor and currently a student at Notre Dame
- Mark Rokow, former Interactor and currently a student at American University. Mark noted that the Rotoract Club, which he organized at A.U., currently has 101 members.

### **Announcements**

- Neil Sjoblom will take a group photo of the members outside after the meeting.
- 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. It was recommended that heavy shoes or boots be worn.

### **50/50**

- Ron Telarico split \$92/46 with Polio Plus.

### **Fines and Happy Dollars**

- Kelly Bradley just returned from an NCAA lacrosse tournament in Ohio and was happy that her boyfriend's daughter, who played in the tournament, considers her a "substitute mother" and asked that her picture be taken with her.
- Trina Newton was happy that the school district budget was passed.

- Karen Luttrell had a great Mother's Day, noting that none of her five children were home. No matter, she's going to California soon to her grandson's graduation.
- Ellen Wayne was happy that her son graduated from Potsdam.
- Stephanie Hesler had a lot of family celebrations: graduation, concerts, and Eagle Scout activities.
- Susie Flick was also happy the library budget passed.
- Lisa Ventura's Mother's Day was extra special as it was also her birthday. Both daughters were home, and she will be seeing her new granddaughter soon.
- Carol Chester had a happy "Godmother's Day" as her oldest Godson graduated from..... *(sorry, Carol, I didn't get from which school....!)*
- Ben Kabat just returned from a great trip to Columbia in South America.
- Dave Cook asked that Jim Dickson be fined for not removing his hat during the Pledge.
- In return, Dick Austin fined Dave for talking during the prayer.
- Ken Steadman just returned from two weeks in Scotland and enjoyed driving around in a Ferrari! He also had three Rotary banners to add to our collection.
- John Watson and Jim DeVaney will be going to the District Conference in Erie, Pa.
- Bill McGowan was happy to report that his Nigerian granddaughter graduated from Brandeis University.
- Bob McCarthy is proud to be a new grandfather to his first grandson, Matthew. *(Congratulations, Bob!)*
- Stephanie Hesler wanted to add that she went to HWS commencement with her two sons and wanted to pay tribute to Mark and Mary Gearan for their dedicated service to the Colleges and the City of Geneva.
- It was noted that Mary Gearan "skipped" today's meeting after receiving her honorary degree and will be appropriately fined the next time she is in attendance.
- John Oughterson attended the recent concert in honor of St. Peter's Church's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. He thoroughly enjoyed it.
- Mickey Schultz went to her grandson's lacrosse game and nearly froze to death. She also wanted to give a "shout out" to the Gearans for getting her tickets to attend HWS Commencement. This was significant, as her mother's best friend, who was visiting from Arkansas and is a huge fan of Bill Clinton, was able to attend. Even though she didn't meet President Clinton, she was thrilled to be there!
- John Oughterson thanked Chris Lavin for getting Mary Luckern to Commencement.
- Dick Austin recently went to Oyster Bay, Long island, and got a private tour of Teddy Roosevelt's home. He said it was quite impressive and wants to go back.

## **Program**

In lieu of our regular program, Lisa Ventura sold the remaining candy bars left over from the SAS dinner for \$10 each. As an extra added treat, President Dick Austin offered to donate three hours of his time to do any "handyman" work in your home.

Several other items were auctioned off and the lucky winners were:

Gift basket: John Watson

Jacket: Bill McGowan

Bag of assorted gift items: Bob McCarthy

Dick Austin's services: Jim DeVaney

***(Ed. Note: I hope I got these right!!)***

Total taken in: \$390.00

Good Job Rotarians!!

**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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