



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
June 7,
2017**

Next week:

Geneva School District
Backpack Program

This Week's Wrap-Up has been written by Sydney Mittiga, Interact Secretary (and next year's Interact President). **Thank you, Sydney!!**

Interact co-President Patrick Mahoney led us in the pledge while Reverend Jim Adams gave us the invocation.

Visiting Rotarians

- Kari Buch from Canandaigara
- Neil Teague from Seneca Falls

Guests

- Kirsten Burrall – parent of Interactor Mallory Burrall
- Janice Color-Mahoney, parent of Interactor Patrick Mahoney
- Chris & Gennaro Fazio, parents of Interactor Stephen Fazio
- Madeleine Gearan – former Interactor, guest of Mary Gearan
- Jessica Grant - Prospective Member
- Lt. Nydia Martinez, guest of Lt. Luis Martinez
- Kelly Mittiga – parent of Interactors Sydney & Ben Mittiga

Interactors

- co-President Stephen Fazio , co-President Patrick Mahoney
- Vice-Presidents Patrick Asamoah, Sean Hesler, Angel Ochoa, Mark Suchewski
- Secretary Sydney Mittiga (and next year's President)
- Assistant Secretary James Williams
- Treasurer Mike Baroody
- Joe Arruda, Liz Ergil, Ryann Shultz (next year's Vice-Presidents)
- Kate Equinozzi (next year's Secretary)

- Lily Sellers (next year's Treasurer)
- Nate Hesler (next year's Assistant Treasurer)
- Samuel Alexander
- Natalie Berg-Pappert
- Darby Bleakley
- Audra Burrall
- Penn Burrall
- Calvin Cataldo
- Austin Ellison
- Ryan Fishback
- Kyle FitzGerald
- Jeff FitzGerald
- Bryna Gage
- Nate Jacon
- Anthony Marcuccilli
- Julia McCormack
- Adam Nardone
- Lauren Schmit
- Christine Tran
- Jason Wheatley,

Announcements

- Mary Lawthers announced that the next Rotary social will be this Friday, June 9th at 5:30 pm at the American Legion.
- There will be a Fish Fry on Friday at Geneva General Hospital.
- On June 25th there will be a Chicken BBQ for \$10.00. They are looking for volunteers to help set up and run the BBQ.
- Sharon Delight announced that there will be a golfer's auction.

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- Interactor Patrick Mahoney split \$66/\$66 with Polio Plus.

Fines/Happy Dollars

- Mr. DeVaney was fined for parking haphazardly.
- Interactor Mark Suchewski, a senior at GHS, will be attending HWS with six other GHS seniors, and he plans to play football there. He is the recipient of the Mark and Mary Gearan Scholarship through Geneva Scholarship Associates.
- Interactor Angel Ochoa will be attending HWS next year and is very happy to be the recipient of a scholarship through Geneva Scholarship Associates. He is happy that his sisters will be graduating from Keuka College and FLCC.
- Dave Cook joined the Geneva Country Club as a golf member.

- A couple of happy dollars were given by Chris Lavin to promote the Send a Kid to Camp Campaign this summer.
- One Rotarian thanked St. Peters.
- Superintendent Trina Newton sees a bright future for the Geneva High School Interactors, and she particularly recognized Interactor Ryan Fishback for finishing in fourth place in the tennis State Championships. Also, she was happy to report that the demolition of the high school gymnasium will begin in July.
- Penny Hankings is back living in Geneva.
- Mary Gearan would like to thank the Interactors who were at the lunch, the parents of Interactors, and her fellow mentors of the Interact Club.

A total of \$49 in fines and happy dollars were raised towards the Interact Club's service projects in the 2017-2018 year.

Program

Musical duets were performed by Stephen Fazio and Ford Weiskittel on the violin and cello respectively. Ford Weiskittel noted that Stephen had been studying violin for ten years at St. Peter's Arts Academy and was such a talented violinist that people had been asking him which music school he would be attending after graduation from GHS. The answer is none because he is equally talented in physics and mechanical and electrical engineering and is going to Georgia Tech next year. He would like to invite everyone to go to his YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/mBCSSboFDi4> to see the pneumatic air gun he built to fire a carrot at 500 feet per second at a coconut. You can also find links to others of his videos there.

Michael Baroody, Interact Club Treasurer, gave a report on the money raised by the Interact club this past year. A total of \$1,752.00 was raised by Interact this year which will be split to fund three different projects.

For the Interact Club's International Project, \$1,000.00 will be donated to Angel House, an organization that builds orphanages for children in India.

\$500.00 will be donated to Thrive to Survive, an organization started by Jen Harris, mother to Interactors Max and Jack Harris, that is a local cancer support group.

Finally, \$250 will be donated to the Center of Concern.

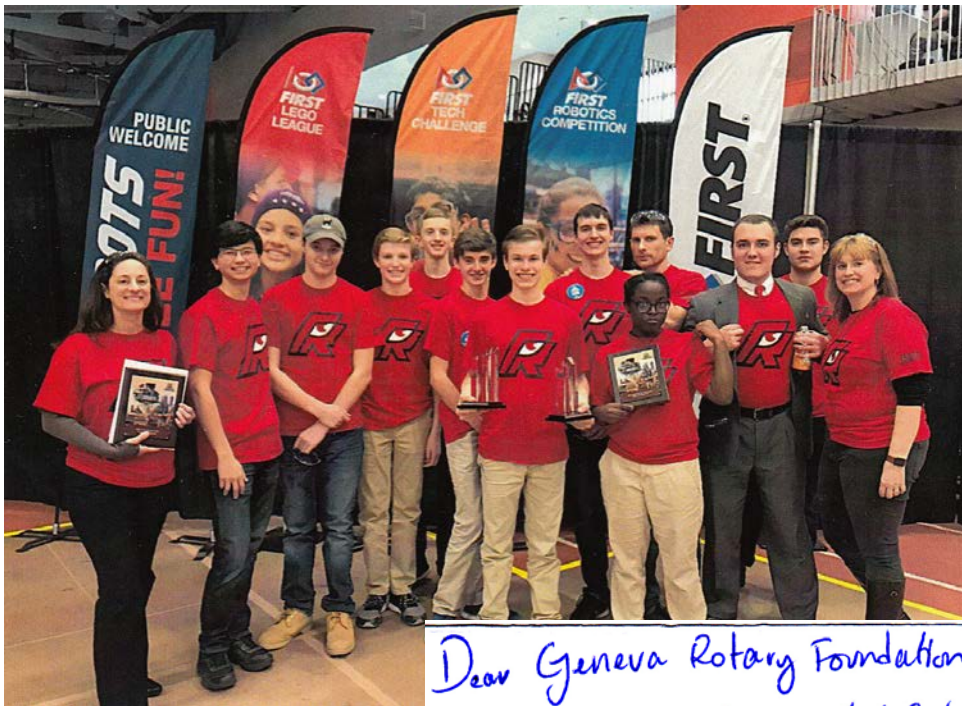
Mary Gearan then presented three Service-Above-Self Awards to co-President of Interact Patrick Mahoney, who will be attending the Air Force Academy starting this summer, co-President of Interact Stephen Fazio, who will be attending Georgia Tech in the fall, and rising senior Sydney Mittiga, Interact Secretary this year and elected Interact President for next year.

James Williams, a Rotary Youth Exchange participant, presented a program about his future travels to Slovakia where he will spend a year abroad. James will be staying in a town only one hour away from the country's capital.

Kate Equinozzi, a Rotary Youth Summer Exchange participant, presented a program about her trip to the Netherlands this coming summer. Kate will be staying in Helmond which is an hour and a half away from Amsterdam.

Lastly, members of the Geneva High School Panther Robotics team brought their robot to demonstrate. The 12-member team finished 7th of 49 at the regional competition held

at RIT in March and earned the highest score of any first year team. That performance qualified them for a trip to St. Louis for the world FIRST robotics competition in April (the acronym FIRST stands for *For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology*). Interactors Stephen Fazio, Kyle FitzGerald, Angel Ochoa, and James Williams were all on the team. Stephen Fazio and Kyle Fitzgerald



showed the features of the robot and explained how the game play worked as well as the robot itself.

A technical glitch (the laptop's battery died) meant that they did not have a controller to drive it around or have it

Dear Geneva Rotary Foundation, Inc.

Panther Robotics of Geneva High School would like to graciously thank you for your generous donation of 200\$. The money went a long way in allowing us to participate at the world championship event in St. Louis. As rookies, we finished with a 3-7 record and a ranking of 62 out of 68 teams in our division. We had a ton of fun and learned a lot. We feel extremely grateful for your support and know that much of what we do would not be possible without the generosity of people like you. Thank you again. We look forward to another successful season.

Sincerely,

Panther Robotics, Team 6490

climb a rope, two tricks that it could perform. Unlike most of the other FIRST robots, the Geneva team used a simple design with wood which proved ultimately to be an asset, as their robot was very reliable. They thanked all their sponsors for their support.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 pm.

My Best,
Sydney Mittiga
Interact Secretary

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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