



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
October 11,
2017**

Next week:

Cornell Cooperative
Extension Service

Past President Dick Austin led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation.

Visiting Rotarians

None

Guests

- Chris FitzGerald (potential member)
- Jim Krajna (application for membership approved)
- Jason Hagerman (guest of Danielle DuVal)
- Interactors: Ellie Aliperti, Audra Burrall, Kate Equinozzi, Jeffrey FitzGerald, Nate Hesler, Zoe Mattice

Announcements

- Dave Cook reported that the Smith Opera House will sell tickets for the Santa Train. The committee will meet directly after this meeting.
- Bill McGowan reminded us of the importance of the Geneva Scholarship Associates and encouraged everyone to attend their "Casino Night" on Saturday, November 4 at Scandling Center.
- Stephanie Hesler announced that the Festival of Nations will be held November 4 at North Street School. It will be a day full of games, food, music and presentations. Please let her know if you would like to be involved.
- Rotary District Conference will be held in Saratoga Springs, May 4-8, 2018.
- Chris Lavin was on the radio last week with Ted Baker and announced that Wild Wings restaurant and Red Jacket Orchards will provide food for the Boys and Girls Club. The Club also received a \$5,000 donation (*sorry, Chris, I didn't get who it was from.*) Their annual dinner will be held next week honoring Jim and Sue Adams.

Fines/Happy Dollars

- Ted Baker was happy for the Red Sox pitching staff, hopeful for the Indians, and happy for “kick butt” Hobart football.
- Trina Newton and John Watson were fined for their names being in the paper
- Dave Cook had a sad dollar as he thought we were “through with Dick Austin” last year.
- Ellen Wayne thanked everyone for contributing to the Empty Bowl event.
- Ken Steadman thanked the Town of Geneva for repairing Turk Road.
- Shad Cook was happy for the Community Lunch Program to step in as a “last minute” program today.
- Dave Cook fined Shad Cook for not showing up for a lunch meeting last week.
- Dick Austin was happy to point out that all the tables were full at today’s meeting, but was sad that the NY Giants aren’t doing any better.
- Karen Luttrell’s daughter gave us four boxes of books from Barnes and Noble. *(Thank you!)*
- Mike Rusinko was happy to have performed recent wedding ceremonies. He also shared a funny story about an incident while picking apples on his friend’s farm. As he was picking the apples, a “little old lady” pulled up and said “this is my property” and didn’t seem too happy with the “trespasser”. Turns out it was the owner’s mother! All was forgiven, and Mike told his friend he was happy to meet his mom. *(Now, Mike, about that cider!)*
- John O. enjoyed Kate Equinozzi’s presentation at the Interact meeting and hopes she can present it at a future Rotary meeting.

Sick Bay

Three of our senior members were recently hospitalized and are recovering. Our thoughts and prayers go out to **Bill Buell, Paul Kirsch and Dan Quigley**. Also, we are happy to report that Mary Luckern continues to improve and hopes to be able to attend the Boys and Girls Club dinner.

50/50

Chris Lavin split \$100/\$50 with Polio Plus.

Program

Ellen Wayne introduced **Bill Lamb** who talked to us about the Community Lunch Program.

- The program was started in 1983 as an initiative of the Interfaith Council
- 16,583 meals were served this past year, emphasizing that this may be the only hot meal these families have access to.

- The CLP stands ready to help victims of the recent hurricanes who may be coming to the Geneva area.
- Rotary was thanked for contributing to the success of the program.
- Partnerships include: FoodLink’s Curbside Market program, Geneva Community Gardens, Food Justice Coalition, Greens Growing Project, Chef’s Collaborative Garden
- National Food Day is October 24, 2017. Chefs from across the Finger Lakes will present the “Chefs Share Community Luncheon”. It is free and open to the public. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at the United Methodist Church.

Stephanie Hesler added that the proceeds from the basket raffle at the Festival of Nations will be going towards the Community Lunch Program.

Submitted by Ruth Leo

<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>				
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