



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
Mar. 21,
2018**

Next week: Paul Harris
Awards

President Tara led us in the pledge and Rev. Jim Adams gave the invocation.

Guests

Eva Steadman
Ray & Patti Ciancaglini

Visiting Rotarians

John Zappia

Announcements

- Tara reminded us all that we are taking monetary donations instead of bottles of wine this year for the SAS dinner. There will be a pitcher for donations at the sign in table every week until the dinner.
- Lisa Ventura announced that there will be a SAS dinner planning meeting on Monday at 5:15 at the Bank of the Finger Lakes.
- Phil Beckley asked all board members at the meeting today to stay a few minutes after the meeting, so a decision could be made.
- John Watson reminded everyone that the District Assembly training will be coming up soon.

Fines/Happy Dollars

- Tara had a sad dollar because she had to put her chocolate lab to sleep. If you remember from last week, Tara's golden lab just passed away. To lose both of your dear pups so close together is terrible!

- Ellen Wayne had a dollar, because she got a super early text this morning from Shad who said he was running late for the meeting that isn't taking place until next week. John Watson also fell victim to being a week early for the meeting.
- Bob McFadden had a happy dollar for his daughter Emily who placed in the 5k over the weekend.
- Kelly Bradley was happy, because she is proud of trying something new. She doesn't really love the idea of skiing, but went ahead and did it anyway. After a fair amount of bumps and bruises, she made it on and off the lift and down the hill on one piece. Way to go Kelly!
- Dave Cook had a happy dollar for seeing the Town Pants at the Smith Opera House and seeing Eva Steadman jump off the stage and into a waiting crowd! Just kidding...
- Ruth had a happy dollar for being dismissed from jury duty.
- Paul Bleakley had a dollar for placing in the same race Bob's daughter was in.
- Lisa Ventura had a phone call from her daughter last night informing her that because of the five flakes of snow they had, college was closed in DC!
- John Watson had sad dollars for Tara's dogs.
- Bill Buell had some happy dollars for Syracuse making it to the Sweet 16.
- Mickey Shultz had a happy dollar for seeing an advertisement for the SAS dinner with Jim Devaney's photo while playing Words With Friends.
- Jim Dickson also had a happy dollar for the snow in Washington. His granddaughter's school also closed.
- Charlie Bartishevich paid up for not having his Paul Harris medallion with him today. He let his sons use it when they were playing winter Olympics a week or two ago. He also had a happy dollar for not getting any sauce on his white sweater today!
- Shad and Jim Adams also forgot to wear their medallions, and paid a dollar.
- Ray Ciancaglini had a happy dollar because he and his wife are going to be grandparents for the third time.

50/50

Dave Cook split \$49/\$49 with Polio Plus.

Program

Today we honored three Paul Harris Fellows. Jim Dickson started the ceremony describing how a Paul Harris award is given to Rotarians and Non-Rotarians alike, to recognize those who make our community and the world a better place. Lisa Ventura, Jim Devaney, John Watson, Mickey Shultz and Ken Steadman helped present the awards.

The first award went to Ray Ciancaglini. Ray was born in Geneva and worked until an early retirement at Kodak. Ray is a renowned concussion expert and travels to colleges teaching athletes about concussion prevention and care. Ray lives in Geneva with his wife Patti and has two children and two grandchildren, with one on the way. Ray thanked the club, and his wife Patti, who he says deserves the award as much as he does.

Our second award went to our own Paul Kirsch. Paul has been a member of Geneva Rotary since 1962. Paul has served too many Geneva organizations to list here and continues to serve our Rotary club. This is Paul's second Paul Harris award, which shows how much he does for Rotary. Paul took a moment to say how much this award means to him. He said he can't do what he used to do, because of pain and mobility issues, but when he is here, he is pain free for a bit. He loves this club and doesn't know what he would do without it. We feel the same way about you Paul. Congratulations.

The third award today was for Bob McCarthy. Bob couldn't be here today, and his award will be given to him at the SAS dinner on April 26.

Submitted by Susie Flick

Interact Report

Minutes from 3/20/18

Hello,

Our next volunteer opportunity will be the HWS Day of Service event. It is on April 14th and we will be bused to and from a site where we will be assigned a volunteer task to complete. It could be cleaning, organizing, setting up or gardening. Dress for the weather and we will have more information on this event next week.

We have two local projects that we would like to fund.

First is the Food Justice Coalition. Last week the founder Henry Farrow came to the Rotary Lunch to discuss his program. Through volunteers he collects fruits and vegetables from local farms and then brings them to areas in the city that do not have access to a market. They use a trailer which has a refrigerator inside to store the food that allows them to go from place to place. If we gave a donation the donation would go toward gas money and plastic totes for sorting vegetables. Locations like the neighborhoods around the foundry with poisoned soil receive these programs services.

Our second local project is the Backpack program. This program sends food home to families in need and has a very long waiting list. If we donate we would be able to shorten the waiting list and feed families in need.

Our International project will be hurricane relief in Puerto Rico and we will have more information on it next week.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday the 2nd.

Best,
Kate Equinozzi

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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