



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
Feb. 20,
2019**

Next week: Marty Teller
Finger Lakes Area Counseling
and Recovery (FLACRA)

President Shad led us in the pledge and invocation.

Visiting Rotarians

Liz Becht of Seneca Falls with guests Michael and Margaux Eller

Guests

Mary Gere-Penna guest of Trina Newton
Dave & Brenda Rickey guests of Phil and Linda Beckley
Patti and Ray Ciancaglini
Peggy Focarino (Speaker)
Mary Hess
Bill Roege

Interact and Rotaract

Nathan Hesler - Interact
Reid Patchett- Interact
Lauren DeVaney- Interact
Jeffrey FitzGerald- Interact
Katie Percoski- Rotaract
Kathleen Gearan- Rotaract
Lindsay Lesuiak- Rotaract

Announcements

- There will be a brief Paul Harris Committee meeting after lunch today
- Stephanie Hesler pointed out the sign-up sheets at the tables if you would like to attend the Rotary Social Tomorrow (Friday) evening. Cocktails from 5-6 and dinner at 6 at the Ramada.

- Shad addressed the concerns about the parking lot. If it is a bad weather day and you are worried about the lot, please use caution and your judgement on whether or not to attend. For those who do not have mobility issues, please park further away and save the close spots for those who need it.
- The next SAS Gala meeting will be on the 4th of March. Get your tickets now! You can purchase your tickets at the Wednesday meetings and they will accept cash, check or credit cards. You can also get your tickets online by clicking [here](#).
- Lisa Toole Petronio had a shout out to her cousin, Mary Hess, who is a guest today and to the Interactors who made it today. Lisa said her son, who is the same age as our Interactors, was still in bed!
- Lisa had a special announcement today on behalf of the Ralph Springstead Award Committee. John Hicks has been named this year's Ralph Springstead recipient. Lisa mentioned that she had several conversations with Mary Luckern before she passed about the award. Mary was also on the Award Committee.

50/50

Susie Flick split \$64/\$64 with Polio Plus.

Induction

Today, Ray Ciancaglini was inducted as the newest member of Geneva Rotary. Ray is a former pro boxer who now advocates for concussion awareness. Ray travels to schools, colleges and conferences lecturing athletes about the possible ramifications of not addressing concussions properly. You can read more about what Ray has accomplished by clicking [here](#). Welcome Ray!

Program

Peggy Focarino was Commissioner for Patents for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) until her retirement in 2015. In her role as Commissioner, Ms. Focarino lead the organization as the chief operating officer. Peggy began her career in 1977 as a Patent Examiner. At that time, there were very few women working at the patent Office. The Patent Office employs 8,000 Patent Examiners and another 500 Trademark Examiners, and has one of the strongest unions in the federal government. Peggy explained the process of what goes into getting a patent and why it is so important to protect intellectual property.

Next we were treated to two speeches given by Interactors from Seneca Falls in preparation for the Oratorical Contest. Each speaker was required to compose a speech that incorporated the Four Way Test. Margeaux and Michael Eller each gave a speech and both did a great job discussing something they were passionate about and applying the Four Way Test.

Interact Report

Due to school break, there is no Interact report this week.

Submitted by Susie Flick

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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