



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
May 8,
2019**

Next week: Sarah Meyer,
Food System Program

President Shad led us in the pledge and Fr. Jim Adams gave the invocation

Visiting Rotarian

Mike Kenyon and his guest, Gaye Parsons

Guests

Sharon Arthur
Erica LaRocca
Wendy Trowbridge
Jeremy Trowbridge
Kerry Lippincott – future member
Kate Silverstein-Jensen – future member

Announcements

- President Shad announced that our Club received two awards: Best Facebook Award and 1st Place for our website! Congrats and many thanks to Penny Hankins for maintaining both sites!
- Ruth Leo announced that St. Michael's Church will be hosting their annual "Cabbage Roll Dinner" (actually Middle Eastern) on Thursday, May 16 in the Church Hall. See her for tickets.
- Bill Flood announced the Highway Clean-up will be held on Saturday, May 18. A sign-up sheet was circulated. We will meet on the corner of Rte. 14 S. and Billsboro Road.
- Shad announced that we are looking for someone to take notes at the weekly meetings, since Susie Flick is no longer able to do so. Ruth Leo and Carol Chester will take them on a rotating basis until a new "scribe" is found.
- Deb Lind announced that the Presbyterian Church has started their campaign to help fund their annual camp working with teen-agers.

- President Shad announced that the SAS dinner was a huge success. We raised enough money to fund both the back-pack program and grant program! Way to go Rotarians!!

50/50

Paul Bleakley split \$49/\$48 with Polio Plus. (*Congratulations, Paul!*)

Fines and Happy Dollars

- Ted Baker had a sad dollar for missing a few meetings and the Dinner. He said it was awfully lonely at the Radio Station this morning since no-one else showed up! However, he did have a happy dollar for attending the Hobart Lacrosse tournament at Gettysburg with his son. He said it was the first time he had been to Gettysburg and highly recommends it.
- After several attempts, Charlie Bartishevich had a hard time trying to take cans to Coons Cans to donate money for the Backpack program. He said they were closed this week, but will be open next week.
- Tara Rago was proud to announce that her husband received “Officer of the Year”. (*Congrats!*)
- Charlie Wilson was happy to be back from Florida and brought good weather back with him. (*Welcome home, Charlie!*)
- Phil Beckley fessed up that he was the reason for Ted’s loneliness at the radio station this morning. He claims he got the dates mixed up!
- John Watson contributed a dollar to Shad’s fund. (*Not sure what this meant!?*)
- Taryn Windheim attended an event where Mike Rusinko was auctioneer and ended up buying a hot-tub! (*So, Taryn – when’s the party?!?*)
- Chris Lavin was happy to report the Boys and Girls Club hosted the AP tests, and was proud to say that most of the “test takers” were Interact students!
- As a follow-up, Trina Newton said that the Geneva Schools have more AP classes than ever before.
- Kate Silverstrim-Jensen had a dollar because her name was in the paper for a legal ad, and since she is the Seneca Town Clerk, and has submitted her application for membership to Rotary, she’ll need to have plenty of \$1’s on hand!

Program

Mary Lawthers introduced our speakers: **Erica LaRocca and Sharon Arthur from St. Peter’s Church**

First up was **Erica LaRocca** who gave a report on the background of St. Peter’s and the activities it supports:

- Neighbors Night was started in 1987 bringing in 50-100 children each week
- Cooking Matters where children can learn about nutrition and preparing meals for their family.

- Food Pantry
- Community Arts Academy whose mission is “Arts for All:
 - Over 225 students attend from 5 counties
 - Serving all ages, both youth and adult
 - Financial aid is available
- Offerings include:
 - Strings (violin, cello, guitar)
 - Piano
 - Voice
 - Several choirs of different age groups
 - Dance

Before our next program presenter, we were entertained by Jeremy Trowbridge on violin, accompanied on piano by Lisa Gibson. Jeremy is a student of the Academy and was recently chosen for the Rochester Philharmonic Youth Orchestra this fall.

Our next presenter was **Sharon Arthur**, Campaign Manager for St. Peter’s Capital Campaign. She gave an overview of the proposed renovations to St. Peter’s parish hall and Arts Academy. The goal is \$4 million, of which they have already raised \$1.6M. They are also applying for foundation funds and grants.

The Academy is committed to strengthen and serve the community for the future. The campaign will:

- Establish a dedicated home for the St. Peter’s Community Arts Academy
- Provide quality space for Academy concerts, recitals and performances
- Enhance experience for worship at church services
- Support outreach programs that support the community
- Add ADA accessible elevator to serve all levels of both buildings
- Secure funding for future maintenance of the physical property.

For more information go to stpetersarts.org or 315-789-0106.

Submitted by Ruth Leo

Four way test:				
<i>“Of the things we think, say or do:”</i>				
<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>				
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