



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
Feb 5, 2020**

Next week:

President Mary Lawthers led the pledge, Four-Way Test, and gave the invocation

5 Minute Speakers

Dick Austin and Mary Gere-Pena shared interesting information about each other. Here are a few of the highlights:

Dick:

- Is from Newark
- Went to Buffalo State
- In 2002 worked as a car salesman
- Works as a performance manager for vAuto
- Is a partner/majority owner of Bella's Sicilian Ristorante
- Runs an Air B&B with his fiance in their farmhouse
- Has been a member of Rotary since 2009
- He has few regrets but wished he managed his money better when he was young
- Shared several items from his bucket list

Mary:

- She is distant relation to Richard Gere
- Born in Waterloo and raised in Romulus
- Dad had insurance agency but she decided to leave the area
- Mary's parents adopted 2 children first and then had 2 natural children (Mary and her younger sibling)
- She has been with the Geneva schools since 2018 and loves the teamwork there
- Prior to working in Geneva she was and Asst Principal at Union Endicott
- She actually lives in Binghamton but stays in Geneva during the week for work
- She loves the water (lakes) and jet skiing
- Her daughter goes to FIT
- 2 of her former students have Super Bowl rings
- If she won the lottery she would quit her job and move to Florida
- She wants to go to Florence and would love to learn Italian

*Next week is Palma Fratto-Evans and Scooter Avedisian followed by John Watson and Stephanie Hesler

Visitors

- Sydney Schultz - Freshman at William Smith (Mickey Schultz' granddaughter)
- Ed Schultz

Announcements

- Our representative for district oratorical contest made finals
- District training program is April 4. Breakfast and Lunch done and over by 12:30
- Paul Harris selection committee to meet today
- First HWS game in bubble is this Saturday but you need to be on a list to attend-only 299 people allowed

50/50 \$82- winner gets \$41 - John Watson won on his birthday- Happy Birthday John!

Happy Dollars

- Helen's son and daughter-in-law closed on house
- Carol had a sad dollar for her error in notes last week. (Dan Quigley asked for a correction to the minutes: the line about 98 members referred to '81-'82, not 1959 roster.)
- Shad has a few happy dollars to hardworking staff on SAS committee- Next meeting is Feb 24 at Torrey park at 5:15
- Ted had a dollar for Interactor Wyatt Patchett who dunked the ball at last GHS basketball game
- Mickey is happy to have husband and granddaughter attend lunch today
- Bob Stenzel's daughter went to the Superbowl. She had bought 6 tickets and only needed 3. Her profit on the 3 tickets sold covered her cost to attend!

HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY January Rotarians!! (*Ed. Note: This was left out of last week's wrap-up!*)

Gerry Barker
Charlie Bartishevich
Ned Clark
Brian Finnerty
Jason Haag
Ruth Leo
Dan Quigley
Mike Rusinko

**Today's Speaker: Director of Sustainability and Solid Waste Management for Ontario County-
Carla Jordan**

Summary

In 2019 the department was created. The role of the department is to implement the solid waste management program for the county with a goal of reducing the amount of waste we produce. Currently we ship more garbage out, as a state, than we keep. The landfill contract was adopted in 2014 and expires in 2023. You can view a video of the facility on the Ontario County website ontariocountyrecycles.org/173/Landfill.

The county holds special collection events (e-waste and medications drop off's, etc) to ensure that regardless of where you live, you have access to programs. Each year as a result of these programs large amounts of waste are diverted from the landfill. OCreycles.org contains list of scheduled events for the year. The goal is to divert 59% of waste by 2023 and as of 2018, we have diverted 27%. These figures may be light as historically, municipalities have not been as good at weighing the material they collect. The landfill is now using drowns with sensors to map out the gas escaping. More information

about Solid Waste Management can be found on their website www.co.ontario.ny.us/1700/Sustainability-Solid-Waste-Management

Submitted by Chris FitzGerald

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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