



# **WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP**

## **Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club**

[www.GenevaRotaryClub.org](http://www.GenevaRotaryClub.org)

---

Miss a meeting? Make it up at  
[www.RotaryEClubOne.org](http://www.RotaryEClubOne.org)

**Wednesday,  
July 1, 2020**

Next week: Interactors!

### **WELCOME BACK ROTARIANS!!**

President Dave Cook opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and gave a prayer-like invocation.

**Visiting Rotarians:** Rheta and Dick Matthews from Bethlehem, Pennsylvania  
(*Welcome back!*)

**Guests:** Joanne Bleakley (Dr. Paul Bleakley) and Dr. Patricia Garcia, new Geneva School Superintendent (Mary Gere-Penna)

### **Today's Special Program**

Happy 244<sup>th</sup> Birthday to the USA: an annual look at a topic centered around Independence Day, thanks to Paul Kirsch, Dick Austin and Mike Rusinko. Paul was able to join us via FaceTime from his residence at Ashton Place. Thank you, Paul, for your excellent writing skills! It was great to "see" you today. How fitting that you could "meet" the newly-named superintendent of the Geneva School District on this, her first official day in Geneva. Our thanks to Dick and Mike for their skillful readings and booming masked voices. Great job! And welcome to Geneva, Dr. Garcia.

### **Announcements**

- According to Phase Three, masks must be worn when standing and moving around the room. They can be removed to eat (this is good). Lunch next week will be chicken parm sandwiches and chips. If you forgot to sign up for lunch today for next week, please call Dave Cook at 607-279-3152. We all did a good job today with Phase Three protocol. Lunches remain at \$14pp
- Jerry Forcier received a pin from President Dave, congratulating him as our new VP.

- John Watson is asking for desk duty help to monitor sign-ins, take in lunch money, and sell 50/50 tickets. Please sign up for a month at a time if you are available.
- Jason Haag has some tickets to sell (\$11) for a Chicken BBQ which will take place at Hydrant Hose FD, Geneva, drive-thru style, on July 11. His phone is 315 719-3594
- Phil Beckley will hold a meeting for the nominating committee after today's meeting.
- Golf Tournament this year????? Will likely be our only fund raiser. Some hands went up, so maybe.....
- 31 people attended today's meeting
- If you have any protocol concerns re: COVID regs, please contact President Dave

**50/50:** Winner: Susie Flick split \$66 with Polio Plus

### **June Birthdays**

Since we didn't include all the June birthdays in last week's Wrap-up, we want to wish you all a belated HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Shad Cook

Linda Equinozzi

Mary Gere-Penna

Richard Kasulke

Kate Silverstrim-Jensen

Ron Telarico

Don't forget THE BIRTHDAY FUND !!

### **Happy Dollars**

- Dick Austin, \$100, grateful for two successful surgeries needed in June for Rooster, his family's 10 month old Great Dane
- Neil Sjoblom acknowledged the bankers in our Club for their help with grants and loans to Geneva's small businesses. Bob McFadden was successful in securing a \$100,000 grant, specifically for Geneva small businesses. Thank you to Rotarians who work at Finger Lakes Federal Credit Union, Lyons National Bank, and Generations Bank
- Bob McFadden is happy to have secured the fore-mentioned grant!
- Jim Devaney has a new car and it's white this time. Be on the lookout for him.
- Jerry Forcier thanked Paul Kirsch for writing today's special program.
- Rich Kasulke is happy to be back at Rotary's live meetings.

- Ted Baker is happy to welcome back Rheta and Dick Matthews. He is also happy to see Dave Cook already tie the number of meetings attended by Past-President Dick Austin.
- Dr. Garcia is happy to be a guest today, having spent only six hours at her new job as GCSD's Superintendent! She is somewhat familiar with the beautiful Finger Lakes as one of her children is a University of Buffalo grad. She has an 8 year old child in the district as well.
- Dick Austin recounted his experience in operating Bella's restaurant throughout the early months of the COVID shut-down. His restaurant operated with a smaller crew, mainly family members, and his business increased 20% during the shutdown. However, since he didn't LOSE money, Bella's did not qualify for grant money from the City of Geneva. He saluted Wegman's for their help in supplying orders resulting in approximately six thousand dollars worth of food to feed kids at the Boys and girls Club. He credits Rotarian Chris Lavin who is the executive director of the Club for his leadership.
- Johnny O has a new Subaru Legacy.
- Stephanie Hesler announced that Geneva Interactors will attend next week's meeting.
- Jason Haag closed today's meeting with a reminder to take care of each other, reach out to those needing help, and for Geneva Rotary to continue to be open as an organization.

**Respectfully submitted,  
Carol Chester**

**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?***

<b>Dave Cook</b>	<b>Stephanie Hesler</b>	<b>Jerry Forcier</b>	<b>Ford Weiskittel</b>	<b>Bob McFadden</b>	<b>Mike Rusinko</b>
President	President-Elect	Vice President	Secretary	Club Treasurer	Foundation Treasurer