



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
September 30,
2020**

Next week:
TBA

President Dave Cook led us in the Pledge and gave the invocation from the "Book of Pat Kraus"

Guests

Kelsey ?, guest of Tara Rago and prospective member
Mike Sculli, guest of Dave Cook and prospective member
Mike Pinco, guest of Ray Ciancaglini and prospective member
Jackie Augustine, Blueprint Geneva and today's speaker

50/50

Bill Flood split \$83 (\$42/\$41) with Polio Plus (*Congrats!*)

September Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY September Rotarians!!

Charlie Bauder
Helen Kelley
Mary Lawthers

Announcements

- Bill Flood – There will be a clean-up along the Lakefront (from the tunnel to the State Park border) on Saturday, October 17 at 1:30 pm. A sign-up sheet will be circulated next week. Roadside clean-up along Route 14 will be held in November.
- Helen Kelly – Distributed flyers to every table about walk-in mammograms at Soldiers and Sailors and Geneva Hospitals. She also thanked Rotary for the

grant for the Jim Dooley Center's playground. The fundraising goal for the playground has been met and a community build will take place on Saturday, October 24.

- Bob McFadden – Visited Ford who is walking without crutches and on the mend

Fines and Happy Dollars

- Susie Flick was happy that the library's parking lot is open. There was also a great turnout for Jason's dad's spaghetti dinner and she passed out free meals at the Library.
- After 203 days since his last live sports broadcast, Ted Baker will be announcing on Saturday at 1 pm when the Geneva girls' soccer team hosts Penn Yan.
- Shad Cook paid fines for missed meetings
- Stephanie Hesler thanked Johnny O for going above and beyond last week.
- Dick Austin had happy and sad dollars. Sad for the previous night's disaster (debate). Happy for the great trip he and Ashley took with friends to Massachusetts (Salem, Boston, Quincy, Lexington and Concord), his 4th anniversary with Ashley, and Ashley's first real estate open house.
- Jim DeVaney celebrated his grandson's 18th birthday.

Program

The presenter today was **Jackie Augustine** of **Blueprint Geneva**. She shared an overview of the organization's programs

- VITA Income Tax Preparation – Held at the Geneva Public Library, volunteers prepare taxes for anyone who earns \$40,000 or less. Volunteers are always welcomed.
- Community and Public Gardens on State and Crystal Streets. In a community garden individuals adopt a plot while any one can pick produce from a public garden. State Street is a mix of both types and Crystal Street is a public garden. Any produce not picked at Crystal Street goes to the Little Free Farmstands.
- Growing Cycle Curbside Compost Program – There is weekly pickup of any biodegradable materials for city residents (town residents can make arrangements with the Town Hall for drop offs) which is turned into dirt and used in the public and community gardens.
- ConnectGeneva (<http://www.connectgeneva.com/>) – A website that provides the latest information on services available in Geneva
- Gleaning - Volunteers harvest excess produce from local farms and distributes to the Center of Concern, Boys and Girls Club, Salvation Army and the Little Free Farmstands.
- During the pandemic
 - With Chef Samantha Buyskes volunteers prepared and distributed meals on Saturdays at the Methodist Church to families who did not have the facility to prepare meals. Over 23 weeks 2,000+ boxes (there were two meals per box) were prepared and meals were also delivered around the

city. Less than 10% of meals were sold, at \$9 each, to cover the costs of running the program.

- Quarantrees – With Red Jacket, pear, plum, and apple trees were purchased and given away primarily in the 5th and 6th wards but residents from the City and Town also took advantage of the program
- Bike Distribution – With the Geneva Bicycle Center, Geneva PBA, Geneva Community Projects, City of Geneva Recreation Department, 100 bikes were collected and repaired if needed (the repairs were covered by a Rotary grant). Bikes with helmets were distributed for free to people of all ages. With a waiting list, they hope to do it again next year.

Blueprint can also use volunteers, anyone who is interested should contact Jackie.

Next Week

Turkey sandwiches will be served for lunch.

Submitted by Kerry Lippincott

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?

Dave Cook	Stephanie Hesler	Jerry Forcier	Ford Weiskittel	Bob McFadden	Mike Rusinko
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