



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
January 6,
2021**

Next Week

President Dave led the Zoom meeting of about 25 Rotarians with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest today: our speaker, Brien Ashdown

Special agenda: Induction of Kelsey Journell, our first induction via Zoom

Happy Birthday to our November and December Rotarians. Please remember to make your birthday gift to the library fund. Donate the amount representing your age or whatever amount you desire. You may direct your contribution to Bob McFadden or to Mike Rusinko.

November

Linda Beckley
Joyce Keeney
Mike Sculli
Bob Stenzel
Bruce Tuxill

December

Scooter Avedisian
Ted Baker
Carol Chester
Dave Cook
Chris FitzGerald
Penny Hankins
John Rossi
Margaret Wiant

Greetings from Dan Quigley who called to thank Carol Chester for the Christmas card she sent him. He is doing well, reading, and getting some good meals delivered in a variety of ways. He remains at his home on 458 White Springs Road. He sounds great on the phone!

Announcements

- Ted Baker related the details of a contact from Norway, a Rotarian, by the way, who reached out to him via radio contact. He sent Ted a Club photo as well as a flag.
- Mickey Gilbert-Schultz recalled listening to NYC and Chicago radio stations on her transistor radio in her days at Newark High School.
- WCMF mentioned Ted Baker's name during the broadcast of the Buffalo Bills game last Sunday.
- Ray Ciancaglini thanked Ted Baker for his help with the Drive Through Santa.
- Stephanie Hesler announced virtual grant management seminars in February and March. Any Rotarians interested should contact Stephanie. Later in today's meeting, Mary Lawthers and Rich Kasulke expressed interest.
- *****Reminder: when attending a ZOOM meeting, please MUTE your microphone unless you are about to speak. It will cut down on the background noise.

Happy Dollars

- Ruth Leo "attended" her niece's wedding THIS MORNING in Scotland, via Zoom! Ruth was still enjoying a glass of celebratory sparkling wine during today's meeting. Her niece lives in England but traveled to Scotland for the wedding.
- Jim Devaney: Alabama beat Notre Dame and Ohio State over Clemson
- Phil Beckley: good tidings from former Interact grads, Mark Rokow and Madeleine Gearan. Mark is a grad of American U where he initiated the largest chartered Rotoract Club in the country. He is currently in law school at SU and also pursuing a CPA degree. Madeleine has been sworn in as an Assistant DA in Suffolk County.
- Mickey Gilbert-Schultz missed seeing family in person for the holidays but was happy to exchange gifts via zoom.
- Dave Cook fined himself for his failure to supply induction info in a timely manner. Technical difficulties!

Induction Ceremony today, our first via ZOOM, for Kelsey Journell, sponsored by Mary Lawthers.

Kelsey is currently the branch manager of the Geneva office of Lyons National Bank, where she has been employed since 2013. She is very active in the community where she has served as President of the Geneva General Hospital Auxiliary and remains a member. In addition, she is an ambassador for the Geneva Chamber of Commerce, a Business Improvement District committee member, an Athena ACE Board Member, and

serves on the LNB-WOW! committee which recognizes an employee who has made an outstanding contribution to LNB and to its customers. Kelsey and her husband Jordan are parents to Skyler, Liam and Natalie. Welcome, Kelsey! And Congratulations!!!

Program

Stephanie Hesler introduced Brien Ashdown, Associate Professor of Psychological Science at HWS. He is also the executive director of EFTC USA: Education for the Children. He spoke to our club today to explain the need to explore grant funding avenues for the purpose of establishing a special education program at The School of Hope in Guatemala. Rotary International makes global grants available to clubs on an annual basis. Perhaps our club can help. Brien has spoken to our club in the past but today, he explained the need to expand programs to offer help to students with disabilities of any kind. The school will need financial help to fund the first three years of a special education program in order to collect enough data to apply for additional funding. There are some Rotary Clubs in Guatemala so perhaps we can pursue a global grant for the School of Hope.

Submitted by 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?***

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