



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
March 3,
2021**

Next Week:

Zoom meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by President Dave Cook

Today's Guest: Katie Flowers, Director of the Center for Community Engagement and Service Learning at HWS

No announcements

Happy Dollars

- Johnny O received a check for \$100 from Mary Gearan for our Happy Dollar Fund
- Carol Chester recalls past celebrations marking the 6 pm sunset, which is today!
- Jim Devaney enjoyed corned beef and cabbage at Nester Hose.
- Joyce Archer scheduled her first Covid vaccine.
- Chris Fitzgerald is happy to see Katie Flowers and for the promise of nicer weather next week.
- Dave Cook's recent shoulder surgery went well and he is not in pain.
- Johnny O is collecting newspaper photos of Rotarians for future fines.
- Johnny O and Ruth Leo both purchased flowers to benefit Light Hill Canandaigua Comfort Care Home, and were thankful to Stephanie Hesler for delivering them. *(Ed. Note: In the cold and howling wind!)*
- Katie Flowers has ten dollars to celebrate her Dad's interest in Rotary in New Hampshire.

Program

Katie Flowers, Director of the HWS CCESL since 2004 is today's speaker. Katie is an AmeriCorps alum and serves on advisory boards in Geneva and the Finger Lakes area. Katie outlined the commitment of the HWS community to education and service,

which go hand in hand. Today she explained how 2020 was the year of the “Pivot” due to the pandemic: the trip to Guatemala, College Bound Program for 6th graders, and the community sale were all postponed and commencement was virtual. Tutoring programs were reworked to reach remote learners in Geneva schools; a penpal program was designed by Geneva teacher Arlene Eddington to communicate with kids at home, and the bike collection program gave out 100 reconditioned bicycles. On campus, HWS Votes, co-organized by Kate Equinozzi, went above and beyond to present non-partisan information, to register voters, and to secure absentee ballots for those who were eligible. John Marks created a Welcome to Geneva video for prospective HWS students.

Katie suggested some ideas for Geneva Rotarians to get more involved in community engagement programs, such as joining any organization as a Virtual Volunteer, the Foster Grandparent Program, Big Brother/Big Sister, donating blood or “hosting” a blood drive, Thrive to Survive’s Virtual 5k, Support Geneva Public Schools on FaceBook, create a profile for Volunteer Matching, and more.

Katie also mentioned the progression of Geneva 2020-HWS to Geneva 2030 /Vamos Geneva 2030, which is dedicated to investing in the children of Geneva from cradle to career. Dr. Garcia, the new and current superintendent of Geneva Schools, is a Geneva Rotarian.

Katie and her husband Rob, VP for Campus Life at HWS, live in Geneva with their daughter and favorite canine. Katie enjoys lacrosse and Rob’s grilling expertise. Katie can be contacted at kflowers@hws.edu. There is so much more information available from Katie’s office listed here:

Please feel free to share / post this presentation – I checked and the links work from this view <https://www.slideshare.net/kflowers285/rotary-club-2021>

Here’s the history of Geneva video that John Marks created for us for FY orientation, I thought they might like to see it, feel free to post it on your webpage etc <https://hws.app.box.com/s/4pq93eesbhqad6b0a15z679urzm869gz>

If you need Karen’s contact info for a speaker this summer to talk more about Geneva 2030, here it is: Karen.Fahy@rcsdk12.org and fahy@hws.edu

Submitted by Carol Chester

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