

WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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Wednesday, April 21, 2021 Next Week:

President Dave Cook led us in the Pledge and gave the invocation from the "Book of Pat Kraus." 18 Rotarians attended in person and 10 via Zoom.

Announcements

Jim Dickson reminded everyone that the lakefront clean-up is Saturday at 10 am.

Jason Haag has chicken BBQ tickets for the Fire Department (May 18) and lottery tickets for youth hockey (\$10 per ticket). There will also be a golf tournament for the Masonic Lodge on June 18 and another one for the Cub and Boy Scouts on July 24. Both tournaments will be at Big Oak.

50/50

Jim DeVaney split \$42 (\$21/\$21) with Polio Plus.

Fines and Happy Dollars

- Jason Haag Last Monday his dad's scans showed he was cancer-free. Two
 puppies have joined the family. He has also helped with COVID vaccination
 clinics and assisted with vaccinating the homebound in Wayne County. 125
 homebound people have been vaccinated in Wayne County.
- John Watson His son and daughter-in-law had a good golf game.
- Jerry Forcier It's great to meet in person again.
- Dave Cook For Jason Haag walking 100 miles as a fundraiser for the Boy Scouts.
- Phil Beckley Finally had a chance to listen to Ray Ciancaglini's speech at Columbia University. It was very powerful, and he encourages everyone to watch the video.

- Charlie Bartishevich While cleaning out a golf bag he found an envelope with \$174. It is money from a DARE golf tournament. He is donating \$200 to the DARE program.
- Bob Stenzel His daughter-in-law played in a golf tournament at Jack Nicklaus'
 The Bear Club. After the tournament dinner was held at Nicklaus' house
- Stephanie Hesler Celebrated her 25th wedding anniversary. (Congratulations!)
- Jim Dickson The entertainment value of Phil not wearing socks.
- Ray Ciancaglini Kudos to the Geneva City School District for staying the course during the pandemic and the Geneva Football team coaching staff. His pet fox also had three babies.
- Johnnie O Very proud of the volunteer work that the Interactors have done throughout the pandemic.
- Jim Devaney Yankees won a game.

Program

Mary Gere-Pena introduced **Dr. Patricia Garcia** the **Superintendent of the Geneva City School District**. Dr. Garcia reviewed the 2021-22 budget. A school budget is a tool to achieve the goals of the school district. The budget process has included community forums, discussions with staff and student, looking at prior budgets, aligning the budget with the district's goals, and seeing where money can be saved.

Highlights from 2020-21 are K- 5th students attended school five days a week; developing a strategic plan and an equity plan; every student has a Chrome notebook; 10 community forums were held; continuation of the partnership with HWS; and building a relationship with FLCC.

Goals for 2021-22 are increasing student achievement in ELA and math for all students; narrowing the achievement gap; redesigning the middle school; and strengthening implementation of special education and dual language programs.

Compared to last year, there is a 1.84% increase in the school budget. 69.5% is for school instruction; 10.3% is for administrative costs, and 20.2% is for capital. Overall, 82% supports the schools. The total budget is \$60,127,333 and there is a 1% increase to the tax levy.

Mary explained why there is a bus purchase proposition every year on the ballot. The school district is a on a five-year bus rotation schedule. Once a bus hits the five-year mark, it is traded-in and a new one is purchased.

- A new bus costs \$124,500
- After five years (with everything still under warranty) the trade-in value is \$30,000
- Over five years the school district pays \$94,500 (\$18,900 each year) for a new bus.

- Each year \$16,632 of state transportation aid is applied to the new bus cost (over five years that equals \$83,160)
- Cost of a new bus is \$2,268 per year (for a total of \$11,340)

The budget vote is on May 18 at North Street School and absentee ballots must be requested.

Submitted by Kerry Lippincott

Four way test: "Of the things we think, say or do:"

Is it The Truth?
 Is it Fair to All Concerned?
 Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?
 Will it be beneficial for All Concerned?

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