

# WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

# Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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Wednesday, May 12, 2021 Next Week: Sheriff Kevin Henderson

President Dave led us in the pledge and invocation

#### **Guests**

Deb McFarland - Speaker

#### **Announcements**

Jim Dickson announced that the Adopt-a-Highway cleanup will be on Saturday, May 22 at 9am. Park where Billsboro meets Rte. 14. If you would like to sign up, please contact Bill Flood or Jim Dickson.

President Dave announced that he will not be here next week

#### **Fines and Happy Dollars**

- Charlie Wilson was happy to be back after wintering in Florida.
- John O. collected past fines and happy dollars from our Zoom meetings.
- Ray Ciancaglini was happy for Neil Sjoblom's glowing review of his book on Amazon.
- Bob McFadden was happy for the announcement that his daughter and Interact President, Emily McFadden, was named Geneva High Salutatorian . (Congratulations, Emily!)
- Bruce Tuxill was happy that the sun is out.
- Stephanie Hesler was happy for putting together over 900 guest nametags for HWS commencement this weekend.
- Dave fined himself for finally bringing Brien Ashdown's welcome packet, but Brien wasn't here today.
- Bob Stenzel had a sad dollar for his granddaughter having to postpone her wedding reception because of the gas shortage.

## **Program**

**Deb McFarland** from the **Nuevo Laredo Embassy in Mexico** was our speaker today. Mrs. McFarland was a middle school math teacher before joining the Foreign Service. She is now stationed in Mexico at an embassy and is in charge of visas.

Anyone can apply to the Foreign Service. It is a lengthy process that involves a written and oral exam. All that is required is a high school diploma, and everything else you will be trained on, including languages.

The U.S. Embassies are run through the Department of State and are there to protect the interests of Americans overseas. During the Pandemic, embassies evacuated thousands of Americans back to the US. Many embassies provided emergency services during the pandemic, such as, supplying food and emergency supplies and getting work visas for thousands of agricultural workers, so they could come to the US and help.

The Embassy also offers help with student exchange programs, promotes STEM and educational services and defends the freedom of the press.

### **Submitted by Susie Flick**

#### Future Speakers:

5/19 Sheriff Kevin Henderson 5/26 VP of HR at FL Health - Covid vaccines 6/2 TBD 6/9 David Hutchins ED Sonnenberg Gardens 6/16 TBD 6/23 FLCC President Rob Nye 6/30 Changeover meeting

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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