



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
Dec. 8, 2021**

Next week:

Peter Einset

President Stephanie opened the meeting at Bella's Ristorante with the Pledge of Allegiance and invocation. We enjoyed a delicious cream sauce pasta entrée and dessert of tiramisu or lemon layer cake. Thank you, Dick Austin.

Visiting Rotarian

Kate Ferguson Schmidl, Penn Yan Club

Guest

Morgan Kowalski, President, Athena A.C.E. Association

Announcements

- Geneva Chamber of Commerce will present Business After Hours at Bella's Wednesday, March 9 from 5-7 p.m.
- Charlie Bauder needs more Rotarians to ring the bell for the Salvation Army Christmas Eve at Walgreens, Wal-Mart, and Pedulla's
- Peter Einset will speak at the Geneva Public Library at 5:30 pm today. His topic: Why Hollywood?
- Peter will present a power point program next week at Rotary about Norway.
- Susie Flick thanked everyone who attended and helped with the Santa, Mrs. Claus and Honey Bear event at the Geneva Public Library on December 4th. More than 200 people attended this well-organized and thoroughly enjoyable event, allowing families to visit Santa and his helpers, make a special decoration, hear a Christmas story read and enjoy a snack or two.
- Stephanie Hesler announced that a committee is forming in the New Year to consider planning a special event for 2022, like the Service Above Self dinner of years past

Fines and Happy Dollars

- Mary Lawthers: Susie Flick's awesome Santa event
- Rich Kasulke: finally! the first shovel in the ground to rebuild his home
- Kate Ferguson Schmidl thanked her Dad, Bill McGowan, for helping her ring the Salvation Army Bell in Penn Yan. In addition, Kate's daughter announced her engagement.
- Dave Cook: thanked everyone who helped the Santa event to be a success.
- Ray Ciancaglini, while wearing his Honey Bear costume with the BIG HEAD GEAR, survived a head butt.
- Shad Cook fined himself \$10 for missing many meetings but we are always happy to see him when he can join us.
- Phil Beckley thought he was enjoying a quiet lunch with his wife Linda but 30 people showed up to join them today. Phil thanked Neil Sjoblom for his recent portrait.
- Ted Baker thanked all the kind hearts in the room today for supporting him in his recent job change. He also announced the opening of Belichick University.....sadly, the first class flunked out.
- Charlie Bartishevich attended the most recent Bills game, returning home at 3 a.m. cold, tired and disappointed...he's good to wait at least another year to repeat this experience. Or not.
- Linda Beckley paid a fine for her phone ringing.
- Stephanie Hesler paid a fine for her recent picture in the newspaper...a photo of her son Nathan with his family
- Carol Chester had happy (one sad) dollars: she missed last week's Rotary meeting due to a dead battery in her car, she enjoyed a six day trip to south Florida with her husband Mike Rusinko, and she applauded Susie Flick for organizing a successful Santa event last week, thanked the high school and college Rotarians for their participation and enthusiasm, and thanked Dave, Patti and Ray for their awesome job with the kids and families

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Susie Flick shared \$64 with the Foundation!

Program

Today's program was presented by Morgan Kowalski, President of Athena, A.C.E. Association. Morgan explained the history of the A.C.E. program which was created to provide scholarship money for women of our Finger Lakes Community who want to continue their education. Fifteen recipients of scholarship money (including Morgan's Mom) from this division of Athena have benefitted from this opportunity in the past twelve years of its existence. This winter's fundraising campaign has begun with a goal of raising \$7,500. To donate, make your check payable to Athena A.C.E., PO Box 744, Geneva, New York.

Thanks to our own Rotarians Mickey Gilbert-Schultz and Kelsey Journell, who both serve on the A.C.E. Board of Directors, for inviting Morgan to present today. Reminder: Penny Hankins was a scholarship winner in 2020.

Future Programs:

12/15 – Peter Einset – Ithaca to Hollywood

12/22 – St. Peter’s Academy Christmas Program

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?

Stephanie Hesler	Gerald Forcier	Diana Perry	Ford Weiskittel	Bob McFadden	Kelsey Journell
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