



# **WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP**

## **Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club**

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**Wednesday,  
Jan. 26, 2022**

Next week:

We're working on it!

President Stephanie led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave an invocation.

### **Guests**

Roslyn Grammar

Jennifer Kime, Finger Lakes Welcome Center and speaker

Christine Jeffries, Geneva Community Projects

### **Visiting Rotarians**

Tara Rago

### **Announcements**

- Social Circles - Each Circle is to learn something about Rotary/a Rotary club/a tradition/a project within the continent they've been assigned and share (verbally and no more than 2 minutes ) what they learned on Wednesday, February 23. The leaders are Mary Lawthers (South America), Diana Perry (Europe), Jason Haag (North America), Mickey Gilbert-Schultz (Asia), Margaret Wiant (Australia), and Jim Dickson (Africa)
- A reminder to please tip the wait staff
- Let Stephanie know today if you would like to donate to the StoveTeam project
- President Stephanie for Linda Equinozzi – There is a blood supply shortage. To find a local blood drive, visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>.

### **Happy Dollars**

- Charlie Bartishevich fined Tara Rago and Carol Chester for sitting at the birthday table

- Dave Cook was proud to announce that the Sons of Italy bocce ball team won a match Tuesday night
- For one month Jason Haag is teaching an EMT program to 35 military personnel at the Syracuse Air Base. While he had happy dollars for his and his wife's birthdays, he had a sad dollar for the Buffalo Bills game
- Chris Lavin lost a friend, Tom Bucklin, last week

## **50/50**

Bob McFadden shared \$76 with the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund

## **January Birthdays**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY January Rotarians!!

Gerry Barker  
 Charlie Bartishevich  
 Ned Clark  
 Brian Finnerty  
 Jason Haag  
 Kelsey Journell  
 Ruth Leo  
 Mike Rusinko

Don't forget THE BIRTHDAY FUND !!

## **Special Presentation**

On behalf of Geneva Community Projects, Tara Rago and Chris Lavin presented Dick Austin with the Kathy Gaylord Costa Citizenship Award. *(Congratulations, Dick – well deserved!)*

## **Induction of New Member**

**Rosalyn Grammar** (sponsor Jason Haag) was inducted as a new member. A life-long Genevan, Rosalyn currently works as a supply analyst for Constellation Brands. Her interests are varied including showing and training horses, travel, golf, and volunteering with various organizations.

The Club welcomed Rosalyn as a new member.

## Program

Jerry Forcier introduced **Jennifer Kime, Director of the Finger Lakes Welcome Center**

- Locals think the Welcome Center is just for tourists, but it has a lot to offer
- The Finger Lakes Welcome Center is one of 11 located across the state
- Four agencies are involved in the Welcome Center – City of Geneva (owns the building), Taste New York, I Love NY, and New York Kitchen.
- 70% of the products sold and offered at the Welcome Center are grown, made or produced in the Finger Lakes
- Opened on May 15, 2018
- Visitors
  - May 2018-March 2019 – 195,000
  - April 2019-March 2020 – 207,000
  - April 2020-March 2021 – 127,000
  - April 2021 – January 2022 – 200,000
- Electric car charging stations are available
- The Community Room is available during the Welcome Center’s regular hours
- Upcoming events
  - Coffee Club – Buy 5 coffees and get 6<sup>th</sup> free
  - Craft Beverage Cart –Buy 7 pours and get 8<sup>th</sup> free
  - Waffles and hot chocolate on Saturdays and Sundays in February and March
  - March is Maple Month
  - Winter Farmers Market on the second Saturday of February, March, and April from 9-1
- Follow the [Welcome Center on Facebook](#)

**Submitted by Kerry Lippincott**

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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