

WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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Wednesday, May 4, 2022 Next week: Seneca Lake Pure Waters - Kaitlin Fello

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

Guests

Ken Steadman's Family: Stephen Steadman, Brigette Steadman, Sharon Steadman Rosalee, guest of Ken Steadman
Tamara Carter, Fairfield Inn and Suites and prospective member
Linda Sutherland, owner of Wildflower Inn and prospective member
Darlene Trytek
Jackie Augustine (speaker)
Teresa Velez (speaker)

Announcements

- President Stephanie welcomed the Steadman family and asked for a moment of silence in memory of Eva Steadman.
- Kelsey Journell asked for volunteers to help at the "Service Above Self" Garden Party next Thursday. Tickets can be <u>purchased through Eventbrite</u>. We are still looking for Sponsorships. Contact any committee member by Monday of next week if you know anyone who can be a sponsor. Also let her know if you can help at the event.
- Diana Perry announced that tables are available for the ONYA (Ontario/Yates fund for Women and Girls) luncheon on June 4 at 41 Lakefront (formerly the Ramada) See her if you can attend.
- Jim Dickson attended the District Conference in Oswego. He was impressed with the very nice conference center on the Seneca River and the great program.
 Next year's conference will be a family event to be held in Bloomfield, NY.
- President Stephanie announced that next Wednesday's meeting will be the last one at Bella's. We will be relocating to 41 Lakefront (formerly the Ramada) on

May 18. A limited menu will be available at a cost of \$12-\$17.

Happy Dollars

- Ted Baker has happy memories of "Eva from Geneva" and was glad that Ken was here today with his family to offer his condolences.
- .Susie Flick had a sad dollar as the Library lost its reference librarian as well as their new director! She said they are limping along and hope to find replacements soon.
- Linda Sutherland is glad to be a part of Rotary and looking forward to meeting her two new grandbabies!! (Congratulations, Linda!)
- Jim Dickson fined Jerry Forcier for not attending the District Conference. He also expressed condolences to the Steadman family.
- Mike Rusinko attended a wine mixer last Saturday night sponsored by ARC. He
 also mentioned that the "Sharing the Light" dinner will be held in June and is
 happy to see that these events are making a comeback!

50/50

Dick Austin shared \$71/\$35 with the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund. He, in turn, gave his winnings to his staff.

Program

Jerry Forcier introduced our speakers, Jackie Augustine, Executive Director and Teresa Velez, Board Member, of BluePrint Geneva, Inc.

BluePrintGeneva is a federally-recognized 501c3 public charity formed in 2016 to pursue new concepts to grow an interconnected and economically-empowered community. Our projects test, evaluate, and retool strategies with a focus on building equity, confidence, and civic capacity within traditionally under-represented and under-resourced groups.

Jackie started BluePrint after serving 16 years as a city councilor. A Geneva native, she is also a graduate of William Smith College and has a Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Rochester. She teaches part-time at Keuka College and is the co-founder of the Seneca7 relay race. A policy wonk at heart, she is committed to data-driven solutions and nimble, creative approaches to complex problems. She is the mom of three great kids who are perpetually helping on a "volun-told" basis. Jackie was recently name "Woman-of-the-Year by Zonta.

Some highlights included:

- Tending to public gardens on State St. and Crystal St. (need volunteers!)
 (farm stand run by Children's Hours School)
- Partnering with Red Jacket Farms and others

- Purchased equipment for HS science projects and greenhouses
- During COVID, Rotary helped them with bike program. Volunteers re-habbed old bikes and gave them to those in need.
- Provide free tax preparation at the Library
- Recently received a grant to open a "pay what you can" café. Work still in progress.

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Leo

Future Programs:

05/11/22 – Seneca Lake Pure Waters - Kaitlin Fello Associate Director Seneca Lake Pure Waters Association

05/18/22 - Chris Lavin and Guest

05/25/22 - Ray Ciancagilini - Second Impact

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?

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