



# **WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP**

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

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**Wednesday,  
Jan. 18. 2023**

Next week: Geneva  
City School District

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

### **Visiting Rotarians**

Kate Ferguson-Schmidl, Penn Yan  
District Governor Ralph Brandt, Bloomfield

### **Guests**

Rosalie Gabriele with Dr. Ken Steadman  
Debra Ross, speaker  
Debbie Farrell, speaker  
Gary Eidlin, prospective member  
City of Geneva Fire Chief Del Parotta, prospective member

### **Announcements**

- As of Friday, Ted Baker will be returning to the WGVA morning show.
- On January 20 the Sons and Daughters of Italy will be hosting a lunch for Armenian students Lunch will be \$15.

### **Happy Dollars**

- President Jerry is excited for the NFL's post season and every game counts.
- Diana Perry is just happy
- Charlie Bartishevich purchased a Ford electric truck with the hope of avoiding gas stations. Unfortunately, he ran over a nail and has been to a gas station twice.
- After several calls with the repair shop it was finally discovered that Dr. Steadman had a screw in one of his tires and the tire was repaired.

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- Jason Haag announced that the adult pinewood derby is being held on Saturday March 4 at Hydrant House. \$50 entry fee. He is also accepting donations for the Finger Lakes Ambulance employee's appreciation banquet. Anyone interested can contact Jason by email at jdhaag@gmail.com or call/text 315- 719-3594. Go Bills!

## **50/50**

Paul Bleakley shared money with the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund.

## **Special Presentation by District Governor**

District Governor Brandt presented Ray Ciancaglini with Rotary International's Avenues of Service Award for Community Service. Founder of the Second Impact Foundation, Ray is a renowned concussion awareness advocate. Each year he raises money for special needs children's organizations. In 2022 he organized an "honor your role model night" at McDonough Park and two fundraising banquets for first responders in Geneva.



The benefit for the Geneva Fire Department raised over \$10,000 and event for the Geneva Police Benevolent Association raised over \$16,000.

The award is given to Rotarians who go above and beyond in their community service. This is the first Avenues of Service awarded in our district. *Congratulations Ray!!*

## **Banner Presentation by Dave Cook**

Dave Cook presented the Club with banners from Rotary Clubs in Georgia, Armenia, and Belarus. Clubs included Yerevan and Gyumri, Armenia; Blisi, Georgia; and Minsk Belarus.

## **Programs**

**Debra Rose (National and Rochester Task Force for the 2024 Eclipse)** and **Debbie Farrell (Geneva Taskforce)** shared information about the 2024 Eclipse

- On Monday, April 8, 2024, at 3:20 pm there will be a total eclipse of the sun and Geneva is in the path of totality.
- Totality for Geneva will be between 3:21 and 3:23 pm
- An eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth blocking all or part of the Sun. During a total eclipse the Sun is completely covered by the Moon for a short time.

- In 2017 people flocked to areas of the United States where it would be the best to view the eclipse and it could be the same for the Geneva and the Finger Lakes.
- In 2024 New York State is one of 11 states that will be in the path of totality.
- A national taskforce began work five years ago to help prepare cities and regions that are in the path of totality. There is a Rochester task force and Geneva has recently created one.
- As one of the prime locations in the Finger Lakes to experience the total eclipse, this is a unique opportunity to welcome visitors to Geneva
- There are also challenges – temperature fluctuations, 49% chance of cloud cover; traffic coming from east and the south (north and west is already in the path of totality); limited outdoor recreation options in early April, and kids getting out of school at the same time as the eclipse.
- Geneva Taskforce is planning *Embrace the Dark* (a three-day festival from April 6-8)
- For more information, go to [rochestereclipse2024.org](http://rochestereclipse2024.org) and [eclipseweb.org](http://eclipseweb.org)
- Next total eclipse in the United States – 2045
- Next total eclipse in New York State – 2079 and 2144

**Respectfully Submitted**  
**Kerry Lippincott**

**Future Programs:**

- 1/25/23 – Geneva City School District, meet new Superintendent Bo Wright as well as several other new members of the admin team

<p>Four way test:          “Of the things we think, say or do:”</p> <p>1. <i>Is it The Truth?</i>          2. <i>Is it Fair to All Concerned?</i>          3. <i>Will it Build Goodwill and Better Friendships?</i>          4. <i>Will it be beneficial for All Concerned?</i></p>					
<p><b>Gerald Forcier</b>          President</p>	<p><b>Diana Perry</b>          President-Elect</p>	<p><b>Jason Haag</b>          Vice President</p>	<p><b>Ford Weiskittel</b>          Secretary</p>	<p><b>Bob McFadden</b>          Club Treasurer</p>	<p><b>Kelsey Journell</b>          Foundation Treasurer</p>