



WEDNESDAY WRAP-UP

Of the Geneva, New York Rotary Club

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**Wednesday,
Feb. 22, 2023**

Next week: Boys and Girls
Club, Chris Lavin

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

Guests

Frank Capozzi, Catholic Charities, and prospective member
Rosalie Gabriele with Dr. Ken Steadman
Cheryl Toor, Center of Concern

Announcements

- Thank you, Mary Gearan, for dessert!
- [A Sparkling Night at the Smith](#) is Saturday, February 25 from 6 pm to 10 pm. Tickets are \$100. There will be wine, food and music. Remember to wear something that sparkles.
- There are several ways to help raise money for Camp ONSEYAWA
 - Volunteer at the Musselman – Our club is signed up to work at the **athlete check-in and registration station** on **Saturday July 8 from 8 am to 1 pm**. To register go, to <https://ironman.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=68648>. When you register enter “Geneva Rotary” in the box below Group Volunteers so our Club can get credit for volunteers. If you need help registering, please contact Linda Equinozzi at linda.equinozzi@gmail.com
 - Return bottles and cans to Dad’s Cans (at the plaza across from Wegmans)
 - Play in the golf tournament – The tournament is Saturday June 10 at Silver Creek. Forms will be distributed to clubs on March 3.

Happy Dollars

- President Jerry enjoyed doing the monthly radio spot with Ted Baker
- After knee surgery Ruthie Leo is glad to be back. She has started physical therapy.
- Jim Dickson enjoyed a long weekend with his family at the Green Briar Inn in West Virginia.
- Tamara Carter wished her fellow Rotarians happy birthday and is looking forward to a birthday weekend in Buffalo.
- Dave Cook fined anyone who was not wearing a badge or anyone who has a February birthday and is not sitting at the birthday table. He also fined President Jerry or Diana Perry for the speaker sitting by herself (Diana paid the fine)
- Mary Gearan welcomed Ruthie back.

50/50

Tamara Carter shared money with the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund.

February Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY February Rotarians!!

David Brind
Tamara Carter
Jim Dickson
Susie Flick
Palma Fratto-Evans
Kerry Lippincott
Bob McFadden
Jeff Pierce
John Watson

Don't forget THE BIRTHDAY FUND !

Program

Diana Perry introduced Cheryl Toor, the Director of [The Center for Concern](#). She gave an overview of the Center and its current activities.

- The Center has been serving the community for over 50 years. How they serve the community has changed from “here’s your bag” to “what do you need.”
- One full-time employee with one part-time employee and 55 volunteers
- In 2022
 - 4,970 families received emergency food from the Food Pantry (up 10% from 2021 and up 40% since the start of the pandemic)
 - Gave 9 scholarships

- Served over 700 people (including 235 families) through Operation Merry Christmas
- Programs
 - The Food Pantry is open Monday -Friday from 10 am to 1 pm. Emergency food is distributed twice a month and there is a free table.
 - The Thrift Store is open Monday – Friday from 10 am to 3 pm and Saturday 10 am to 12:30 pm
 - Operation Merry Christmas – In addition to food distribution (a box based on family size), parents can shop at the North Pole Store
- While the store closed for several months during the pandemic, the food pantry has never closed. A positive result of the pandemic has been the increase in monetary donations.
- New building addition – Thanks to donations, grants and proceeds from the 50th Anniversary celebration 100 sq ft is being added onto the food pantry. The new addition will make the food pantry wider creating an intake space, waiting area, a permanent spot for meeting, and the ability to enter through one door and exit through another.

Respectfully Submitted
Kerry Lippincott

Future Programs:

- 3/1/23 – Boys and Girls Club (Chris Lavin)
- 3/8/23 – **Smith Opera House Tour – Field Trip**
- 3/15/23 – City of Geneva (Amy Hendrix – City Manager)
- 3/22/23 – Historic Geneva – Screening of Club 86 film
- 4/12/23 – Oslo International Rotary Club joint virtual **50/50**

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