

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
August 16, 2023**

Next week: Julie Carney
Rotary District Governor Visit

Jerry Forcier opened today's meeting (due to the absence of Diana Perry and Jason Haag) with the Pledge of Allegiance and led us with an invocation.

Guests:

Frank Sykes, Executive Director of Geneva Public Library
Leslie Hickey, prospective member
Nancy Bauder, guest of Charlie Bauder
Rosalie Gabriele, favorite guest of Dr. Ken Steadman

Announcements:

- Jerry: sign up for the 2023 **Rotary picnic: Wednesday, August 23rd** at Seneca Yacht Club. \$10 pp. 5:30pm
- Jim Dickson: District Governor Julie Carney will be our next guest speaker
- Mary Lawthers: Rotary Garden Weeding "Party" at the Lakefront: Saturday, August 26th at 9:30 am
- Dave Cook: is working on a wine train event: probable date is Saturday, September 30
- Bob Mc Fadden: Bob will have clothing samples (with Rotary insignia or saying) to peruse for the next few meetings: men's cut, women's cut, polos, t-shirts, hats. Please look them over for your choice to order if desired. They are especially good PR to wear when we sponsor community events.

Happy and Sad Dollars

- Dick Austin and his family will miss this year's Rotary picnic, to the dismay of his and Ashley's children. .At a recent family picnic, Dick discovered that he has several direct relatives who were on the Mayflower. In addition, George Washington is Dick's 8th cousin, 9 times removed. Next year's Rotary picnic site ??? Mount Vernon!

- Ruth Leo: saw and liked the film Oppenheimer but didn't "get" the new Barbie movie at all. Ruth had a sad dollar for the victims of fires on Maui.
- Susie Flick is happy that her boss will be our guest speaker today! Sad dollar, however, for the late Bunny Bell. Susie had a special connection to Bunny. Rest in peace, Bunny.
- Dave Cook: ten happy dollars for missing a meeting with Mary and Bob but he went to work at the Sons and Daughters of Italy's Italian festival instead. Dave reported that Hugo is working at the Agri-Tech station today. Dave recently took Hugo to Niagara Falls.
- Mary Gearan is happy to be back with us and gave a shout out to Dave Cook for hosting Hugo.
- Bob McFadden had sad dollars for his family's loss of Piper, their 10 year old golden retriever and first family dog. Both Natalie and Emily are now away at Cornell for this school year.
- Mike Rusinko is happy about those butterscotch brownies, thank you, Mary Gearan. He had a sad dollar for the late Bunny Bell though, for a life well lived. Mike recalled his first months working in a downtown bank where Bunny would often stop by to fill him in on what's happening in Geneva. Rest in peace, Bunny.
- Kathy Fuchs is happy that Mary is back in town and said she LOVED the Barbie film.
- Johnny O is inspired by Susie Flick's post from the library: Susie has created a "pantry" at the library and anyone who visits the library is invited to share the contents with others who are in need. If you are interested in contributing to the "pantry," please contact Susie for suggestions. (Editor's note: I made a contribution a few weeks back by purchasing several small, dollar type items such as foods, snacks and toiletries which I placed in a shopping bag and dropped off at the library. Took me all of 30 minutes.) While Johnny was in line to pay for his pantry items, he met a past Rotary President from the Philippines! Johnny was wearing a shirt with a Rotary insignia at the time.
- Johnny O also had praise for Susie's devotion and service to Interact, especially for her help with Interact members Jesse Singleton, James Truly, Connor Fillsbrown, James Williams, and Disha Dua.

50/50

Phil Beckley shared \$78 with the Foundation.

Program

Today's program was presented by **Frank Sykes**, a Webster, New York native and newly appointed **Executive Director of the Geneva Public Library**. Frank's Dad was a Kiwanian who was active in support of the Special Olympics and volunteering opportunities in several areas of need. Frank came to Geneva from Livonia where he lived for about 20 years. He originally thought he would be a history teacher but an internship at the Rochester Public Library turned his head, thoughts, and passion to library work. Frank arrived in Geneva last fall and is impressed by its diversity and

opportunities for volunteering. A presentation by the 2030 initiative sealed the deal for him and he is excited to be creating at least six new programs at GPL. Frank gave a synopsis of last spring's flooding fiasco at the library and the current plan to make sure it never happens again. Reconstruction is slated to begin next Monday.

Future plans for programming at the library include a Writers' Event on October 23rd, cooking classes, AARP driver safety course and the already in motion BYO Book Club which meets at Empire Coffee and Donuts on Pre-Emption Road in Geneva.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chester

Future Programs

8/23/2023	Julie Carney	Rotary District Governor Visit
8/30/2023	Club Members	Club Brainstorm/Thought Exchange
9/06/2023	Dave Sharman	Geneva Recreation Department
9/13/2023	Randy Grenier and Mike Tapscott	Geneva PD DARE Program
9/20/2023	Major General Robert Kasulke	Combat medicine to civilian medicine
9/27/2023	Jason Haag	Team Building - Physical Indoor Activities

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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