

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
Oct. 4, 2023**

Next week:
Ray Defendorf Rotary
Soyodi Global Grant
Program

President Diana Perry led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave an invocation.
A big thank you to Dr. Steadman and Rosalie for the delicious desserts today!

Guests

Hugo Yamada, visiting student from Brazil with Dave Cook
Rosalie Gabriele with Dr. Ken Steadman

Announcements

- Rich Kasulke is doing well after his surgery
- Tickets are still available for Camp Onseyawa, dinner and drawing November 10th.
President Diana will look into reserving a table.
- October 10th, via zoom, World Mental Health Day Webinar available to Rotary zones 28 and 32, 7pm-8:30pm
- Out of the Darkness Finger Lakes Walk to prevent suicide. October 14, Seneca Lake State Park. Check-in 10:00 a.m.; Ceremony 11:00 a.m.; walk to follow.
- Santa Train (December 2) rolling along! Tickets on sale via Smith Opera house. \$20 plus fee, per ticket. Committee will meet after today's meeting.
- Adopt-a-Highway, Saturday, Oct. 14, 9:00 a.m. Bill Flood guarantees good weather!
Linda Sutherland added that work will be done at the Welcome Center gardens afterwards.
- Next social October 20, 5:00 at Brewery Ardennes. They know we're coming!
- Since Monday, Oct. 9 is a holiday, the Board will meet the following Monday on the 15th.
- Ideas are being accepted for redesigning Rotary banner. We will reach out to Rotoract and Interact for ideas.
- We are in need of one more person to take wrap-up notes at the meetings. This would be in addition to Carol, Kerry and Ruthie, so you would only be obligated to once a month. See Ruthie if you can help.
- Since Hugo will be leaving next week to return to Brazil, there will be a "farewell party" this Friday at 6:30 at the Sons of Italy. Bring a dish to pass.

Happy Dollars

- President Diana attended the Canandaigua Chamber celebration at Lincoln Hill Farms and several of our members were there.
- She also had a happy dollar for the club's picture in the FL Times.
- Dave Cook was happy that Hugo spent the last two months with him. They had a good time, especially with Hugo having to put up with Dave's shenanigans!
- Referring to Hugo's return to Brazil, Ken Steadman said he spent three months there.
- Jerry Forcier wished safe travels to Hugo.
- Jim Dickson is happy that Michigan is now 5-0.
- Bill Flood would be rooting for Nebraska but will wait until next year.
- Helen Kelly's son is getting married in Mexico next month. She is hoping that everyone will stay healthy until then!
- Stephanie Hesler also had happy dollars for Hugo . Her husband and son worked with him at the Experiment Station. (Ag. Tech)
- Barb Geary was happy to report that her granddaughter was offered a part in the Wizard of Oz in NYC.
- Ted Baker – HWS soccer celebrating their 70th anniversary
- Johnny O. – shout out to Ray Ciancaglini and Ted Baker for their involvement in the fund raising dinners.

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Jerry Forcier shared \$67 with the Foundation then gave it back! Thanks Jerry!

Program

In lieu of our scheduled speaker, our own **Chris Lavin, Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club**, talked about the new, broader family support efforts the club is making part of its mission these days. Lavin, who worked in St. Petersburg, Rochester and San Diego, compared life in those places with Geneva and pointed out that things are really breaking Geneva's way; a moderate climate, ample water and a booming wine and hospitality sector. With property values rising, Lavin said good times may allow the community to better address the effects that a 20 percent poverty rate has had on the community's quality of life and the challenges in its schools. "It will take disciplined leadership and some creative efforts to reduce taxes and allow Geneva to take advantage of growth moving across the region," Lavin said. "Nonprofits will be working together through Geneva 2030 to address the issues that have kept all children and families from thriving."

Lavin pointed out that the club is now distributing food to between 1600 and 2000 people every two weeks and its new First 1000 Days Program is serving more than 525 infants and toddlers with food, diapers and daily playtime. "I can't think of a better time for a community to invest in its newest members than the delicate first years," Lavin said. "Everything the community can do to alleviate stress in young families will pay back big time."

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Leo

Upcoming October Service Opportunities:

- **Rotary Route 14 Adopt a Highway Road Clean Up**
Sat. October 14th (starts between 9:00 and 9:30am)
Parking: East Billsboro Road, Geneva
Digital Sign Up here: <https://forms.gle/yVwvf58XCf4mL3Mb7>
- **Foodlink Food Distribution at Boys & Girls Club of Geneva**
Thu. October 26th at 8:30am (lasts 1.5 to 2 hours on average)
If interested, please contact Bob McFadden 315.719.4348
Parking: In the back parking lot (you'll need to bypass the cars waiting in line)
- **Red Cross Blood Drives**
Thu. October 5th (9:00am to 2:00pm)
Cornell Agritech – Jordan Hall
630 West North Street, Geneva, NY
Appointments Recommended. www.redcrossblood.org

Red Cross Blood Drive

Wed. October 18th (1:00 to 7:00pm)
Geneva Presbyterian Church
24 Park Place, Geneva, NY
Appointments Recommended. www.redcrossblood.org

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thu. October 26th (10:00am to 3:00pm)
Geneva General Hospital
196 North Street, Geneva, NY
Appointments Recommended. www.redcrossblood.org
For Veterans Day – what service could Rotary provide to veterans?
If you know of a need in the community that needs help, please let me know!
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Is anyone interested in helping during the school year to join Susie with the Interact Club. She has asked for another set of hands!

Future Programs

10/11/2023 Ray Defendorf	Rotary Soyodi Global Grant Program
10/18/2023 Ashley Davoli	Child Advocacy Ctr. Of the Finger Lakes
10./25/2023	Geneva Rotary Club Members Halloween Costume Party
11/1/2023 Debbie Farrell	Geneva Eclipse Update
11/8/2023	

Interact Meeting Minutes 10/3

Susie started our first Interact meeting off strong this year at 2:36 pm!

We have many exciting opportunities coming up this year. A peek into the upcoming year includes;

- Geneva Rotary's "Adopt a Highway" clean up next Saturday, 9:30 am October 14th starts at the corner of Rt. 14 and Billsboro Rd at 9:30am! Please contact Susie if you are interested. If you are under 18 years old, you need to have a parent fill out a permission slip.
- Traditionally Interactors participate in Geneva's Trunk or Treat Event, in which we decorate a car trunk, hand out candy, and in the past, we have had success with face painting. Let's come up with some theme ideas! This will be on October 21st, more details in the next meeting.
- Katie, by request of Ms. Jankowski and in partnership with the student council, asked if we have any interest in raising awareness for Red Ribbon Week. More details hopefully to come if we have sufficient interest.
- Future:
 - Thanksgiving Box Packing
 - Christmas Eve Bell Ringing 10 am - 2 pm (In shifts)
 - Interact meetings are on Tuesdays directly after school in Mr. Dunham's room, please bring your friends and spread the word!

Kathryn Strojny

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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