

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
Nov. 15, 2023**

Next Week:
Roundtable

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

Guests:

- Amanda, guest of Dr. Steadman
- Brian Potvin, Speaker

Announcements:

- The next social will be Thursday, November 30, 5:30 p.m. at Bella's Steakhouse. Also, our December 13th meeting will be at the Steakhouse since there will be more room for the St. Peter's Choir performance.
- There are two openings available on the Board. See Phil Beckley or Diana if you are interested in serving.
- Families are needed to host the Exchange Student Program. See Diana for details.
- Jim Dickson attended the Eastern Cities dinner last night at the Strong Museum of Play. The speaker was Stephanie Urchick, President-Elect of Rotary International. Don Alhart was the emcee. After the meeting, members were allowed to visit the museum and play games while revisiting their childhood!
- November 28 has been designated as "Giving Tuesday" asking each Rotarian to make a donation of at least \$25.00 to the Foundation. Last year our club gave \$2,022 from 50/50.
- The District Conference scheduled for April 26-28 has been moved from Ithaca to Saratoga Springs.
- Dave Cook shared the sad news that Rich Kasulke's twin brother passed away last week. (*Our condolences to Rich and his family*)
- Ticket sales for the Santa Train are good. The 10:00 and 4:00 trains are sold out. Seats are still available for the 11:00, 1:00, and 2:30 trains. If you want to purchase tickets and avoid the handling fee, see Dave. A sign-up sheet for helpers is being circulated.
- A box of coloring books from last year's train is missing. If you have any idea where it might be, see Dave!
- Bob McFadden reminded us that Food Link distribution is tomorrow at the Boys and Girls Club.

- Consider hosting an International student for Thanksgiving. (See “Community Service Corner” below)
- Tamara Carter suggested that we post more on our FB page, i.e., interviewing members, who is in the club, etc. “We are more than just a good old boys club”

Happy Dollars:

- Ted Baker was happy that he conducted over 500 guest interviews on the radio station. He also noted that his son, Caleb, just turned 27 and is working with Ted on Hobart broadcasts. At one recent game, a plane flew overhead and Caleb quickly identified it in complete detail as a WWII war plane!
- Jim Dickson is happy that the University of Michigan is now 10/0. The final game is in two weeks against Ohio State. He just returned from 2 ½ weeks in Washington, DC where he was dog-sitting for his daughter who just ran her first and LAST marathon in Dublin, Ireland. While he was in DC he visited two Rotary clubs and encouraged members to do the same when on vacation. Sadly, he came down with COVID but is better now!
- Bob McFadden was sporting several “Olympic” style medals that the Credit Union had won for excellence. *(Sorry, Bob, I didn’t get what each medal was for, but I’m sure they were well deserved! Congratulations!)*
- Johnny O’s name was mentioned at a Hobart basketball game when one of the players landed in his lap! *(The dangers of sitting in the front row!)*
- Dave Cook fined Mary Lawthers when he caught her phone ringing.
- Charlie Bartishevich finally made it to a meeting after much “encouragement” from Ruthie
- Ruthie was glad Charlie was back!
- Jerry Forcier had a sad dollar for Rich Kasulke’s brother.
- Frank Capozzi for his medal from Catholic Charities(???) *(Sorry, Frank, I didn’t get all that!)*
- Mary Lawthers paid her \$1 fine which took her three years!
- Mike Rusinko shared a story about a “bidding war” at the recent Shields of Honor Gala auction . Apparently, through some confusion, bidders thought they were bidding on a rifle, when actually it was a metal gazebo. One couple’s bid was up to \$600; Dave Cook’s bid was \$650. Once it was realized that the couple was bidding on a gazebo, not a rifle, Dave graciously gave up the rifle to the couple who were happy to pay \$650. As Mike mentioned, there was alcohol involved!! *(Mike always has a funny story to tell!)*

50/50:

Susie Flick shared \$31/\$32 with the Foundation.

Induction of New Member

Leslie Cohen Hickey was inducted as our newest Rotary member. Her sponsor, Jim Dickson, introduced her as a life-long Genevan and his neighbor since 1983. Leslie graduated from Geneva High in 1984, St. John Fisher with a Bachelor’s in Psychology and the American Institute of Paralegal Studies. She attended the Touro College/Jacob Fuchsberg School of Law and passed the NY State bar exam in 1997.

Leslie opened her own law office in March 1998 and became a part time Assistant District Attorney for Ontario County and then full time assistant District Attorney until 2020. Leslie became a Geneva City Court Judge in January 2021 and has also returned to the private practice of law. She is married to Daniel Hickey and has one son, Danny, a Geneva police officer. She is the proud grandmother of a boy who was born last Thursday.

Leslie is a past Geneva Rotarian who had to give up her membership due to her heavy work schedule. She missed being a Rotarian and is glad to be returning to Rotary. She has also served on boards for Geneva BID, Geneva YMCA, and Geneva Boys and Girls Club.

Welcome Leslie!!

Program

Our speaker today was **Brian Potvin, Program Manager for the Alzheimer's Association.**

The Alzheimer's Association is the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. Their mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected ; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Their vision is "A World Without Alzheimer's disease and Dementia".

- No two cases are alike
- Family history and environment can increase risk
- Three stages of Alzheimer's:
 - Early:
 - Middle Stage
 - Late Stage
- Support groups meet regularly at the Presbyterian Church in Geneva – how to manage one-on-one care.

For more information contact: bpotvin@alz.org

**Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Leo**

Community Service Corner:

- **Host an International HWS Student for Thanksgiving**
Many community members have hosted international students over Thanksgiving or the five week winter break for dinner, and it's been a highlight for them to have this opportunity to meet local families and learn more about our amazing community.

If you're interested in hosting an international student for a meal, please email our international student coordinator, Sherri Martin-Barron smartinbaron@hws.edu who will connect you with them.

- **Join the Community Service Committee**
Want to help organize some hands-on community service efforts of the Club? Join the Committee and we can work on many great ideas that have been offered by Rotarians. If

you know of a need in the community that needs help, please let me know!
amcfadden@rochester.rr.com (315) 719-4348

Future Programs

11/22/2023 Round Table

Interact Minutes

Thanksgiving Box Packing THIS SATURDAY, 10 am at Our Lady of Peace Parish, it should only take an hour

Santa Train December 2nd, sign-ups to come. The train departs from the train station, downtown Geneva at 4 separate times. Volunteering can look like handing out candy, singing carols, or interacting with kids. This is a super fun opportunity coming up before we know it!

Mingle with Kringle on December 16th at the public library. Snacks, crafts, pictures, and more for less fortunate kids to still enjoy the festivities

Bell Ringing on Christmas Eve is coming up, sign-ups are to come!

Susie shared a potential collaboration with the Salvation Army for Operation Christmas, this could entail wrapping Christmas presents

The public library is accepting letters to Santa for the whole month of December and Susie was wondering if we could write some responses, any interest?

Sincerely,

Katie 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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