

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
Feb. 14, 2024**

Next Week: Box Lunch and
Tour of the Smith

President Diana led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jim Dickson gave a tribute and led a moment of silence for Paul Kirsch, who passed away on Sunday. Paul's life and career exemplified Rotary's motto of service above self. His obituary is [here](#). Calling hours are Monday, February 26 at 10:30 am at the DeVaney-Bennett Funeral Home with the service at 11:30 am.

Mike Rusinko read a Valentine's Day poem that Paul wrote in 2021.

Guests:

- Rosalie Gabriele, guest of Dr. Steadman
- Allison Koczent prospective member

Announcements

- The next dinner meeting will be March 20 at Dana's.
- Next week is a field trip to the Smith. There is a sign-up sheet for a boxed lunch.
- Tickets are available online for our Murder Mystery Fundraiser (March 30 at FLX).Purchase tickets [here](#).
- District training is Saturday, April 13 at Canandaigua Academy. Any member can attend. There is no cost, but you do need to register. To register, click [here](#).
- As part of Rotary's Exchange Student program Rendell Belanger-Curren will be spending a year in Finland. She leaves in August. Rendell and other exchange students in our district are having a pancake breakfast fundraiser at Charlie Riedel's in Canandaigua on March 10. Tickets are \$6 and Dave Cook will have tickets next week. He also suggested that the Club help raise money for Rendell.

Happy Dollars

- Jerry Forcier had happy dollars for Paul. They shared a love of history and often exchanged emails.

- Paul was one of Ted Baker's mentors. Paul was a great thinker and Ted will always think of him on the 4th of July.
- Susie Flick had happy dollars for Paul and for the carpet being installed in the Library's Community Room.
- Dave Cook thinks President Diana is doing a great job. Under her leadership Rotary is happy again and we are having fun.
- Jim Dickson agreed with Dave about President Diana's leadership. Paul was a stickler for rules and often Jim had him proof legislative matters for the District. On more than one occasion the District (and once International) bowed to Paul's wisdom.
- Ruthie Leo fined herself for her phone going off. She also had a dollar for Paul who was always supportive and the first to critique the weekly wrap-up. It made Ruthie's day when he complimented her on a wrap-up.
- Paul was a mentor for Johnnie O. He learned a lot from Paul on how to run the greeters' table.
- Bob McFadden imagines Pat Krauss and Paul together in heaven. He also had happy dollars for not getting a speeding ticket on his way to the meeting.
- John Watson had happy dollars in memory of Paul and Pat.
- Mary Gearan remembers how welcoming Paul was, especially to Interactors.
- Jason Haag challenged everyone to find a quality that they admired in Paul and to either act on it or pass it on. That way Paul will live on.
- For Carol Chester Paul shared more knowledge than anyone she knew.
- In 2003 Rick Kasulke met Paul at a club meeting in Saranac Lake. They talked about Geneva and everything Paul said was true. Paul was a person that changes your life and was a saint on earth.

50/50

John O shared \$60 with the Foundation.

Program

Mike Rusinko acted as auctioneer for the bake sale we held for Interactors. Per Bob McFadden, "the result of the Bake Sale was a grand total of \$602 for this week's meeting! The credit card payments were posted, so I will cut a check for the total and will deposit into the Interact account on Tuesday!"

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Lippincott

Future Programs

February 21

Box Lunch and Tour of the Smith

Community Service Corner

- **Community Lunch Program** is looking for volunteers to do another Rotary volunteer powered community lunch located at the *Geneva* Methodist Church at 340 South Main Street. Rich Kasulke is organizing volunteers. Please email rkasulke@rochester.rr.com or call Rich at (315) 408-3217 if you are interested!
- **Bottle & Can Drive** to support Camp ONSEYAWA at Dad's Cans at 311 Hamilton Street in the Town & Country Plaza organized by Linda Equinozzi. Please consider donating your bottles and cans and ask them to put the money towards CAMP ONSEYAWA! Over \$100 was recently donated to Camp ONSEYAWA from our collective efforts. Thank you!
- **Red Cross Blood Donation Drive** will be held at Cox Hall at Hobart & William Smith Colleges from 1:00 to 7:00pm on Tuesday, February 27th. If this day doesn't work for you, there are many other donation dates and sites available. You can register online at www.redcrossblood.org
- **Community Service Ideas?**
Please let me know(bobbymack315@gmail.com (315) 719-4348) if you have any new ideas for community service!

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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