

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
April 24, 2024**

Next Week: - TBA

Dinner meeting at Dana's Time-Out: Interact leader Katie Strojny led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and gave an invocation. Rendell Belanger-Curran joined Katie to conduct tonight's meeting.

Guests

Joanne Bleakley
Sally Kasulke
John Graham
Peter Einset
Mary Friday
Skip (Don) Friday

Announcements

- Thank you, Mary Gearan, for providing those delicious blonde brownies for dessert!
- Social at the American Legion, Thursday, April 25, 6:30 Trivia Night. Rotarian Darlene Trytek hosting
- President Diana is collecting eclipse glasses for one more week.
- Ruth Leo, via yours truly, is recuperating following a successful procedure to "install" a pacemaker. She is doing well and will see us next week.
- Dave Cook thanked Geneva Rotary for their help and participation in the 4/23 career day event created by Rotarian Ray Ciancaglini. It was well attended and very successful! Congratulations!
- Susie Flick announced that she will be stepping down from her advisor role for Interact.
- President Diana thanked out-going directors and presented a 2024-2025 slate of officers and Board of Director members. There are two appointments remaining to fill on the board.

Happy Dollars

- Jerry Forcier: an evening meeting means he can wear "regular" clothes! Comfy!
- Jim Dickson: a great turnout for Saturday April 20th Earth Day clean-up on the canal trail (net: 11 tires) and sprucing up the flower bed area outside the Welcome Center. Linda Sutherland added that we will need to add flowers and mulch and do some weeding.
- Johnny O thanked Katie for her service to Interact.
- Bob McFadden's daughter Natalie will run in the Seneca 7 this Saturday.

- Mike Rusinko and Carol Chester traveled to the Columbus, Ohio area last weekend to celebrate the birthday of their great-great niece whom they held in their arms at age 24 hours in NYC five years ago! At her Columbus birthday party, they met Lisa Nelson, a 2012 HWS Grad who fondly remembers her years at the colleges, especially Mary and Mark Gearan.
- Mike was volunteer auctioneer for a recent charity event held on April 13 at the Cracker Factory in Geneva: The Ontario ARC Wine Mixer. He was also volunteer emcee at the FLCC Viticulture and Culinary School's annual fundraising event, Vintners and Valentines, on April 12. This event sells out every year and is fabulous! Mike recently had two eclipse related articles published in the Finger Lakes Times!
- Dave Cook and John Watson recently traveled to North Carolina. John visited his son, and Dave attended a wedding for his niece. There was some golfing involved and some napping/snoring in the car...maybe a little between gabbing. Dave returned with six flats of fresh strawberries...see pie auction below
- Congratulations to Frank Capozzi and his wife who are celebrating their 15th wedding anniversary! Frank also had glowing comments for the recent Career Day and for Ray Ciancaglini whose idea to organize this began last July. More than 700 people attended! BTW, Frank had a big hand in this event from the start.
- Diana is thankful for the several volunteer activities becoming available for Geneva Rotarians, for Susie Flick's years of service to the Interact Club, and for the new hinges (wink wink) which will reconnect "little library door"
- Rich Kasulke has a happy/sad dollar: the pull-up bar demo at the Career Day event caused Rich to mourn his loss of "super grip."
- Kathy Fuchs fined Rich for his terminology slip of tongue. Kathy is planning to organize a pickle ball event for Geneva Rotary.
- Skip Friday, a twice past-Rotarian, recalled 2 meetings from the Rotary Dark Ages: one, where admitting women in to the club was debated and the other, where an American Flag displayed with 48 stars.

Fines

Mike R, Linda S, Tamara C, Neil S, Diana P, John W, Jim D, Craig T: all for photos in the newspaper

50/50 Winner: Diana Perry...\$40 and \$40

Program

Dave Cook conducted a pie auction to benefit Rotary exchange student Rendell.

Three Blueberry Streusel pies were donated by Rotarian Dick Austin and one Strawberry pie, by Dave Cook. John Graham, Susie Flick, Dave Cook, and Mary Gearan were the winners! Diana Perry donated her 50/50 win...total raised today \$200!

June 14th, Dinner at the Sons of Italy, will raise money for Rendell. She leaves August 4 for her year in Finland. Extra money raised via Geneva Rotarians will help her to fund side trips during her exchange year.

Stay tuned for more ways to help Rendell!

**Respectfully submitted,
Carol Chester**

Future Programs

5/1 – TBA

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!
- **Volunteer Readers at Head Start** -Would you like to volunteer any Friday to read to young children at Head Start in Geneva? It is the Ready to Read program. If you are interested, email Betsy.Dunham@genevacsd.org to volunteer. There is a monthly signup sheet ([2023-2024 Ready to read- Volunteer reading times - Google Docs](#)) and you can pick the day and timeslot that works for you now through the end of June.
- **Save the Date: Sat May 18th** (Weekend after Mother's Day) will be the next roadside clean-up morning. More details to follow!
- **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!

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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