

# Wednesday WRAP-UP

# Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,  
May 1, 2024**

Next Week: - TBA

President Diana opened the meeting with the Pledge and Invocation.

## Guests

Rosalie Gabriele with Ken Steadman

## Announcements

- Thank you, Dr. Ken Steadman and Rosalie for the delicious desserts.
- Golf Tournament, Friday Sept. 13. Still time to sign up!
- President Diana sent out a survey for fund raising and is still hoping for more responses. She welcomes your feed-back.
- Rich Kasulke thanked everyone for helping with the Community Lunch Program.
- Kathy Fuchs passed around a sign-up sheet for this Saturday to play Pickleball at the Chiropractic College. Equipment will be provided. She will also be teaching a Spanish class at her home starting in June.
- Jim Dickson gave a brief report on the District Conference in Saratoga Springs. Some highlights included:
  - 10,000 meals prepared for Food Bank
  - Speaker from The Ohio State University
  - Two words to remember: "Better Together"
  - Three of our deceased members were mentioned: Paul Kirsch, Mary Lawthers and David Brind.
  - Jim gave \$5.00 for a successful conference!
- Dave Cook – Kentucky Derby Strawberry Social on Saturday at the Sons of Italy. This is a fundraiser for the "Sons".

**HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY** April Rotarians!!

Dick Austin

Ray Ciancaglini

Bob McCarthy

## Happy Dollars

- President Diana was happy to see Ruth Leo back

- Ted Baker quipped “who is invited to dinner, but not allowed to eat?: The Emcee (*a reference to Mike Rusinko!*)
- Dave Cook recently saw a “cop car” with lights flashing behind him on Route 96 and chose to ignore it – it was Scooter!!
- Ray Ciancaglini was happy for the great support at the recent Career Day. He was especially thankful for Frank Capozzi’s help! Ray reported that 700 kids and 22 schools attended.
- Ray mentioned something about Brain Injuries for Children in Manhattan (*Sorry, Ray, I didn’t get all of that!*)
- Rich Kasulke was honored to attend a Mercy Flight ceremony in Syracuse for his brother
- Ruth Leo was happy to be back and feeling good after her successful pacemaker surgery.
- Jason Haag was happy to see that Ruth was back and for Ray and Frank’s successful Career Day. He also had happy dollars for the Hydrant Hose dinner last night recognizing Ray Ciancgalini as a First Responder. Jason also paid a \$10.00 fine for making the Las Vegas Raiders website.
- John Watson was happy to see that Ruth was back.
- Susie Flick had a good time last week with the Interactors.
- Stephanie Hesler recently returned from a trip to Hawaii. (*Jealous!*) She was sitting on a bench in Hilo and happened to look at the back of the bench which said “Donated by Hilo Rotary”! Rotary is everywhere!!

**50/50** Winner: Jerry Forcier - \$58/\$29 – which he gave back to the Foundation (*Thank you Jerry!*)

### **Pie Auction**

There was no guest baker this week, but Dave Cook rose to the occasion with a beautiful apple pie. Jim Dickson was the lucky bidder at \$35.00. Next week’s guest baker is Neil Sjoblom who promised to make his famous home-made bread. It was noted that over \$800 was raised so far for Rendell’s expenses.

### **Program**

Our own **Mike Rusinko** entertained us once again with one of his stories: “How I Lost 100 Pounds”, sharing his weight loss journey. Some highlights:

- Favorite conversation was always about food
- Not being able to buckle his seat-belt on a plane.
- His love affair with donuts!
- Decided to do something about it
- Lost 100 pounds between January –September 2023.
- Couldn’t have done it without Carol’s help!

Of course, there’s much more to the story – but that’s it in a nutshell! Looking good, Mike!!

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Ruth Leo**

## Interact Notes

- Charity Navigator website can help us pick an international charity to donate to, it shows how much of the money actually goes to the charity.
- We have \$1100 to donate, splitting however we choose, to one local and one national charity. We should decide in the next few weeks.
- We are really low in people for next year, we were considering having a Tuesday meeting that we heavily advertise for interest next year, possibly having baked goods/treats. What Tuesday do you think we should pick?

## Future Programs

5/8– TBA

## Community Service Corner:

- **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](mailto: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 18<sup>th</sup>** (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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