

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
July 3, 2024**

Next Week: - Paul Harris
Induction Ceremony

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

Guests

Rhonda Mook, prospective member

Rosalie Gabriele

Scott Cook, Dave's nephew

Peter Einset

Sharon Steadman, Dr. Steadman's daughter

Announcements

- President Jason thanked everyone who helped with the Muranda Cheese fundraiser.
- On October 5 at 2 pm there will be a showing of "The History, Humor, and Heart of Geneva 25 Years Ago" at the Smith. The Club has been asked to have a table at the event.
- Susie Flick has been asked to help with orientation for the incoming freshmen at HWS. 10-15 people are needed for a human library. In mid-August participants will spend the day at the library being interviewed by the students. If you are interested, contact Susie.
- Dave Cook has an army of crock pots at the Sons and Daughters of Italy. If you would like to pick up your pot, let Dave know. The building is open most evenings.
- Charlie Bauder announced the scholarship winners. The Mary Luckern Memorial Award went to Elizabeth Porschet and the Paul E. Kirsch Memorial award went to Alex Halter. He read a thank you note from Alex.
- Jim Dickson reminded Paul Harris Fellows to wear their medallions next week.

Paul Harris Fellow

Earlier in the week Rosalie Gabriele was presented with a Paul Harris Fellowship at Dr. Steadman's apartment. Jim Dickson shared a video of the ceremony. *Congratulations to Rosalie!!!*

Happy Dollars

- President Jason is happy to be out of the hospital. He had a severe reaction to ibuprofen and spent two days in the hospital
- Charlie Bauder attended a Hupmobile event last week in Poughkeepsie and enjoyed himself.
- Jerry Forcier, President Jason, and Stephanie Hesler are happy for Rosalie.
- Dave Cook had a happy dollar for Dr. Steadman in honor of Rosalie.
- Johnnie O is grateful for Susie's help. While at the library he received help with Google Drive and now has access to the Club's info.
- Phil Beckley is celebrating his birthday, and is grateful that Dana's has a new coffee pot.
- Mike Rusinko had an article published in the newspaper about cleaning out his garage.
- Ruthie Leo is happy for Rosalie and being part of the ceremony
- Rosalie thanked everyone.
- Dr. Steadman is grateful for Rosalie and the Club.
- Carol Chester thanked Jim Dickson for organizing the Paul Harris ceremony for Rosalie and keeping the committee in line.

50/50:

Bill Flood shared \$55 with the Foundation.

Change-over Ceremony and Induction of New Officers

Kerry Lippincott and Dick Austin took the pledge as President-Elect and Vice President respectively and were presented with their pins.

Program

Kerry Lippincott shared the story of Emancipation Celebrations in Geneva. The event started after 1834 when enslaved people were freed in the British West Indies. Like the Declaration of Independence, Emancipation Celebrations were a form of political protest, as blacks in the North gathered, usually in August, to protest their exclusion from the rights other Americans celebrated on Independence Day.

Between 1840 and the early 1900s Western New York Emancipation Celebrations moved from town to town and were hosted by Canandaigua, Auburn, Penn Yan, Geneva and other area communities. Its central location and sizeable black population made Geneva a favorite spot for these events, and the village hosted at least eleven times. The one day event included speeches, prayers, parades, sports competitions, music and a dance.

**Respectfully submitted,
Kerry Lippincott**

Future Programs

- 7/11 – Presentation of Paul Harris Fellowships
- 7/17 – Joanna Meyer, co-director Camp Onseyawa
- 7/24 – Smith Center for the Arts
- 7/31 – Betsy Tuxill with the Geneva Theatre Guild

Community Service Corner:

New Service Project Alert: Geneva Rotary Club Is Building Picnic Tables for Camp ONSWEYAWA. Geneva Rotary applied for a District Grant to buy materials and build up to 6 new picnic tables for Camp ONSWEYAWA this summer. The grant was approved. So now we can start to seek any volunteers (friends and family members) who may be interested in working on this service project. If you are interested please reach out to Bob McFadden (315.719.4348 or BMcFadden@FLFCU.org). The initial thoughts were to measure, pre-cut, and pre-drill holes in Geneva, and then bring everything to camp to assemble. Any carpenter skills appreciated! Pictured below is the style of what we'll be building for Campers! No dates have been set yet – we just wanted to gather some talented volunteers and try to find a space (garage, barn, or business) that we could gather. Ideally we'd like to build and deliver before Camp Onseyawa runs this summer starting on August 10th.



Saturday August 10th - Camp Onseyawa Camp Set Up. This year Camp Onseyawa runs from August 10 - 24. As in past years Geneva Rotary has been asked to provide 3 volunteers to help with set up. This takes place on Saturday, August 10 from 1:00 - 4:00 pm at Camp Whitman. Chris Fitzgerald is volunteering (thank you) so two more volunteers are needed. If you want to volunteer, please let Linda Equinozzi (linda.equinozzi@gmail.com) know and thank you in advance.

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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