

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary



Club of Geneva, New York

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**Wednesday,
September 11,
2024**

Next week
Matt Venuti, Musical
Instrument Demonstrations

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

Guests

Liz Searle, Literacy Volunteers Ontario and Yates

Donna Crouse, Literacy Volunteers Ontario and Yates

Announcements

- Friday is the golf tournament, and the dinner after the tournament is the September social. Raffle items include overnight at the Fairfield Inn, gift card to Wegmans, assorted liquors, a car care kit, and six-month subscription to the Finger Lakes Times.
- Ruthie Leo reported that Bob Stenzel fell and broke his hip. He had surgery and is doing well at Geneva General.
- Along with a thinking of you card for Dr. Steadman, there are get well cards at the Greeter's table for Bob, Ford, and Dave Sharman who are all recovering from surgery.
- Picnic tables for Camp ONSEYAWA will be assembled on the morning of October 5.
- Please let President Jason know if you interested in a cruise on Seneca Lake on October 6. This could be our October social.
- Margie Whiteleather from the High School's College and Career Center is collecting information about places in or near Geneva who employ high school students. Please add to the list by filling out this form <https://bit.ly/EmployPanthers>.

- The Boys and Girls Club's annual dinner is October 17 at Club 86.
- An account for Interact has been created at Dan's Cans. Please credit the Rotary Interact account when making returns.

Happy or Sad Dollars

- Rich Kasulke – Had a happy and sad dollar for the passing of family friend Esther Arlan. She was very community minded and an active Rotarian. She asked that donations be made to local Rotary Clubs and Rich donated funds in her memory.
- Ted Baker – Was happy for Hobart's football win but had sad dollars for the two other games played over the weekend.
- Carol Chester – Completed a welding class and survived!. She also saw Kath Fuchs in Walmart's parking lot. She misses Rotary but is happy with her classes and is even being paid to teach pickle ball.
- Jim Dickson – Had a sad dollar for Michigan's loss over the weekend.
- Stephanie Hesler – Gave funds in honor of 9/11 and Mary Lawthers' birthday.
- Jim DeVaney – Was disappointed in Notre Dame's loss over the weekend. He attended the 9/11 ceremony at the lakefront.
- Tamara Carter – Has gotten a second job and survived multiple days without a day off between her jobs. She is also grateful for all the support she is getting from the Club for Interact.
- Dave Cook – Had happy dollars for all the work Tamara has done for Interact. There was a very successful meeting on Tuesday. He also presented Jim DeVaney with a "Kiss Me I'm Irish" sign to use anytime Jim Dickson brags about a Michigan win.
- President Jason – In honor of 9/11 he will do the equivalent of the 110 stories of the World Trade Center on a stair mill in full fire gear instead of his regular gym workout.

50/50

Bruce Tuxill shared \$68 with the Foundation.

Program

Liz Searle and Donna Crouse, from the [Literacy Volunteers Ontario Yates](#), discussed the history of the organization and its current activities. There are over 43 million adults in the United States who cannot read and write above a third grade level. The organization's mission is to provide adults with literacy skills they need to succeed. They serve all of Ontario and Yates Counties.

There are two type of learners - Native English Speakers (basic learners looking to improve their reading skills or help with earning a GED) and Foreign Language Speakers (looking to learn or improve their English). For Geneva and Ontario County about 2/3 of learners are foreign language and 1/3 are basic learners. Learners are referred to the organization. Along with intake paperwork and an interview, an assessment is done to find literacy level and determine what resources can be used. Reassessments are done on a regular basis (after 30 hours or at least once a year). Tutoring is 1:1 and must be done in a public space. Sessions are held weekly for 1½ to 2 hours. All services are provided for free to the learners.

**Respectfully submitted,
Kerry Lippincott**

Future Programs

9/18 – Matt Venuti – Musical Instrument Demonstrations

9/25 – Tom Millington with Abroadia (dinner meeting)

10/2 – Bryan Mueke with Camp Whitman

10/9 – DG Dave DeMers

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Wed. Sep 25: ***Rotary Evening Meeting***
- Sat. Sep 28th: District Literacy Seminar 9am at Clifton Springs Hospital (see District 7120 Grapevine page 8 for more information)
- Sat. Oct 5th: Assembly of Picnic Tables Service Project (see below for more info)
- Wed. Oct 23rd: ***Rotary Evening Meeting***
- Wed. Nov 20th: ***Rotary Evening Meeting***

Community Service Corner:

Service Project Alert: Geneva Rotary Club IsBuilding Handicap-Accessible Picnic Tables for Camp ONSWYAWA.

The picnic table assembly date is **Saturday, October 5th**.(Time will be confirmed/arrival 9-10am)

We have three volunteers confirmed so far (Linda & Art Equinozzi & Bob).

If you are interested in assembly, please reach out to Bob McFadden (315.719.4348 or BMcFadden@FLFCU.org).



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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