

Wednesday WRAP-UP

Rotary
Club of Geneva, New York



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**Wednesday,
Sept. 9, 2026**

Next week;
Rich Kasulke: Dominican
Republic Volunteer Medical
Team

President Ethan led us in the Pledge of Allegiance, the Four-Way Test, and a moment of silent reflection.

Visiting Rotarian: Norm Lee

Guest: Today's presenter, Michalis Kalampoukas

Announcements:

The Newark Rotary Club will celebrate its 100th Anniversary at Clifton Springs CC on 10/23. RSVP by 10/17 cost is \$75pp

Special Presentations

- Susie Flick was presented a check for \$1,141 from our Club to the Geneva Public Library
- Kerry Lippincott and Johnny O accepted a Club Excellence Award

Happy/Sad Dollars:

- Rich Kasulke's near miss driving through one of last week's tornados in Seneca County
- Ted Baker's daughter Felix played "the Moon" in a theater production at the Smith Opera House
- Peter Einset spent a week at the former Notre Dame Retreat House overlooking Canandaigua Lake, quick to point out to Digger that there is another Notre Dame
- Kathy Fuchs circulated a get-well card to Dave Cook who recently underwent heart surgery; wished Garey Adamson well following his recent eye surgery, spoke with Mary Gearan who is in "good spirits" but not yet ready to return to a full schedule, and congratulated Bill Maguire who is excelling in her Spanish class
- Susie Flick has been extra busy at work for a few weeks due to her former boss leaving
- Norm Lee's daughter-in-law is making some progress following the horrific accident where she was injured in front of Smokin Pete's BBQ
- Ruth Leo is happy to have her scribes on duty again and to add Kerry Lippincott to the crew
- Bill McGuire is worried and stressed about his daughter's health
- Ford Weiskittel is soon to undergo knee replacement, adding to his replacement hips and shoulders

- Jim Devaney reports that Dave Cook is recuperating and walking now. Jim recently saw the “real” Notre Dame play Wisconsin at Green Bay
- Jerry Forcier gladly covered Bill McGuire’s dollar of concern. Jerry’s most recent homeowner fiasco was due to his mower hitting a tree stump which was housing bees! 8 stings! Whew!
- Diana Perry, who lives in Waterloo, suffered only a power loss in the recent tornadoes.

50/50

Stephanie Hesler shared \$44 with the Foundation

Heart of Rotary: Rich Kasulke did NOT pick the Queen of Hearts...” she lives another week”: \$892 in the “kitty”

Program

Linda Equinozzi introduced **Michalis Kalampoukas**, owner of **Aszu Wines and Spirits** on Seneca Street, Geneva, just up the street from the Smith Opera House.

Michalis is from Greece, by way of New York City. He has extensive training in the culinary arts and wines of the world. He has an Advanced Sommelier and is studying for a Master Sommelier. Prior to opening his store, he worked at FLX Table in Geneva and took many classes in the culinary arts in NYC where he worked in high-end restaurants.

In his store, he hand selects every item and has impressive knowledge of wines from many countries. He offers in-store spirit and wine tastings as well as classes. His store recently marked its one-year anniversary by toasting with Pol Roger, Winston Churchill’s favorite champagne.

Today, we sampled two of his selections: Tokaj-Hetszolo, a 2022 dry white Hungarian wine and Chateau Roquefort, a 2019 Bordeaux, a blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Michalis lives in Geneva with his wife and children.

His website is aszuwines.com. He invites us to visit his shop soon!

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Chester

Community Service Announcements

TBD

Future Programs

- 9/16 - Rich Kasulke and Colleague, Dominican Republic Volunteer Medical Team
- 9/23 Geneva Reads, pending
- 9/30 Cheryl Toor from the Geneva Center of Concern/Geneva Food Pantry
- 10/7 Arlene Eddington, Breathe
- 10/14 open

- 10/21 Nelson Ronvalle, local airplane pilot (great story) waiting for confirmation...looks good

Locations of other Local Rotary Meetings

- *Seneca Falls meets Tuesdays at noon at the Seneca Falls Country Club. Lunch is \$15. (They are not meeting on the 21st)*
- *Waterloo meets Monday evenings at 6:00, upstairs at Ciccino's Restaurant, 22 E. Main Street. Attendees order from the menu*
- *Penn Yan meets Tuesdays at noon at Lakeside Country Club (145 Rte 54, PY). On the first Tuesday of the month they meet at 8:00 am at the Wagner Restaurant in the village.*
- *Dundee meets Wednesdays at noon at "Our Town Rocks" 12 Main St., downtown.*

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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