



“The Peal”

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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Today's Program: Reg Cox – Fatherhood Connection

Next Week: Sonya Smith – Inclusion in Motion Playground

Meeting notes from March 25, 2021

Pledge: Lynn Holcomb

Invocation: Jenny Goodemote

Song: Maddie Jensen – America the Beautiful

Guests: Lydia Harrington – Guest of Kim Tenreiro and prospective member, Erich Rudolph – son of Adeline Rudolph

Visiting Rotarians: Tom Mees and Mary Lou Mees

Announcements:

Paul Harris pin needs to be awarded to **John Spare**. **George Herren & Paul Harvey** volunteered to make the visit to make the presentation. Details to be provided by **Kim Tenreiro**. The joker draw proceeds from last week of \$402 awarded to **Marty Muehe** who reciprocated with a check to Rotary. **Nancy Stelnyk** passed out perfect participation forms for members to self-qualify. **Jodi Kaufman** announced April 24 as the date for the 'Great Lakes Clean-up' initiative and that details will be forthcoming. **Janet Tenreiro** reminded that the District Training Assembly will be on April 10. Participation is free and suitable for all Rotarians, new and seasoned, to learn about Rotary activity outside the sphere of local club activities. **Don Raw** announced the Camp Onseyawa Golf Tournament will be held on June 12. **Jack Moran** is back briefly to facilitate re-opening of the Family Fun Zone after an extensive hiatus due to Covid-19. **George Herren** informed the club that Red Jacket Rotary will be shifting their meeting location from Ray's in Canandaigua to Roy's (corner of Rte. 96 and N. Main in Manchester) starting in April.

Polio Plus: The contribution jar for Polio Plus was circulated and \$90.38 was collected on behalf of that effort.

Program: Scott Schauman – Academy Players

Scott Schauman, an English/Drama teacher for 35 years joined us via Zoom with two students, Maddie Jensen and Carlyn Bjorling. Due to Covid-19 restrictions the school was prevented from having a live show last year. Instead, they made a filmed version of *Spoon River Anthology*, a series of monologues filmed at a local cemetery. Going forward, the plan is another filmed adaptation called *Misbehavin' in the 20's* utilizing public domain period music re-arranged and transcribed to accommodate the performers range. The story line that ties this together is that of kids in high school trying out for the musical. Each character is provided a 'personality' to project and Scott introduced his students to speak to that. Carlyn, a senior at the academy, has a

character who has been performing since childhood and has a bit of a 'know-it-all' attitude. Maddie, a Junior, plays a troublemaker and 'gossip girl' of the cast. Scott is authoring a script that ties the diverse numbers and character together. He plans to record the music first and merge it, karaoke style, with choreography that is filmed at various locations. The hope is to accumulate and edit the various numbers and unite it with the script to form a cohesive video. It is hoped production will be completed in time for and August 2021 release.

Scott then opened the call to questions. He was asked to speak to the status of the Academy Players. Scott related that the show last Fall was literally cancelled on opening night due to Covid restrictions. Consequently, their expenses of approximately \$30,000 with no opportunity to recover from ticket sales put a sizeable deficit in their program. "We were hit really hard financially", he said.

The current production has only about 35 students involved, significantly down from prior years. This is partially due to the social restrictions that accompany Covid and some reticence to participate in group activities.

A question as to whether costumes are involved in the upcoming video was answered that since the time period is the 1920's period costumes such as 'flapper' dresses will be included.

Another question about the timeline for the previous video was asked. Scott said they started working on it in August, got a script together and began 'read-throughs' in September and videoed monologues all the way into January. Editing the 20+ hours of video into about a one-hour final product was a big challenge particularly since many shots were ruined due to passing cars and trucks. Questions about working with Scott were asked of the students and suitably diplomatic answers were provided. Many Rotarians shared their favorite memories about past years' shows.

Rotarian **Adeline Rudolph** and son Erich prepared a surprise presentation of a Paul Harris Fellowship to Scott in honor of his many years of community service and the generations of students he has mentored. Rotarian **Marty Potter** acknowledged Scott for his program and the book "This Way Charlie" is being donated in his name to Wood Library.

A new Joker Draw was initiated, and **Dick McGavern** elected to collect the \$9 cash instead of drawing for the \$8 in the joker pool. **Donna Miller** drew the seven of clubs