



The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



Meeting Thursdays 12:15 p.m.
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Today's Program: Kari Buch – United Way - ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed)

Next Week: Laura Ouimette – Canandaigua Botanical Society – Celebrating 151 years in 2025!

Meeting Notes from: July 31, 2025

Pledge: President-Elect Paul Harvey

Invocation: Kathleen Draper

Song: That's Amore and more! – Kim Tenreiro

Guests: Jody Wilbur – Retired Event Planner at Clark Meadows (Prospective Member), **Capt. Jeremiah Easley**, Salvation Army (Prospective Member)

Visiting Rotarians: Tom and MaryLou Mees, Mark Vahey, Linda Werts (Newark Rotary)

Announcements:

Tom Rogers bought the Pit Pass for \$10.00, and went on to say that the Camp Onseyawa Carnival will be Sunday, August 17, and Camp teardown (which Cdga Rotary is responsible for) is August 23rd. Need 8-10 volunteers and a few pickup trucks.

Linda Werts detailed The Habitat for Humanity Framing Frenzy, also on August 23rd at Zion Fellowship from 10-Noon. Volunteers of all or no skills are welcome!

Kim Tenreiro announced that we had collected 41 bikes - less than the 120 that RBikes had expected, but enough to cover the costs of the rental trucks. We also came in 2nd in the District Trash Olympics, netting us \$300.00 in cash!

First Friday (August 1) will be at Coho on Lake Shore Drive beginning at 4:30 p.m. All are welcome!

Mike Schiller is looking for volunteers to man the Canandaigua Football Boosters snack shack during a home game one night this fall.

Doug Merrill brought us up to date on the CLWA donation made by Rotary thanks to the Holdens. Not only did they receive \$10,000 from us, but a match of \$5,000 from a grant, allowing the purchase of special equipment for testing the water for various things. It allows CLWA to use the equipment in 3 ways: 1) for use at summer camp on August 14 with 30 kids 12-15 yrs old at an all day event taking place at the Holden Pavilion at Onanda Park. Both print and TV media have been invited to participate. 2) a DEC grant will make it possible to take the equipment to Marcus Whitman Middle and High School for Biology and Earth Science classes. 3) For use at a Citizen Science Group at the Finger Lakes Institute at Hobart/Wm-Smith College. Finally, Carolyn and Steve Holden sent an additional \$5,000 to them which will be used as scholarships for underserved kids to go to camp. President Kent is working on a Venison Donation program which will allow hunters to donate venison – no charge for processing, donated to local food pantries.

Program: George and John Mueller of Willow Bend Farm along with Don Collins of our club, presented a program on Farming – Then and Now. All three of our speakers went to Cornell, but practical knowledge was learned in the field (so to speak!) George has been involved in agriculture for 81 years, but by age 7 already knew he wanted to be

a farmer and businessman! He started in raising heifers, but after the selling price made it impossible to make a profit, switched to dairy farming. That process has changed a lot since he began! From a 9-stanchion milking station to a 27 unit station, and from 80 cows to over 6,000 the business has seen huge changes.

Don Collins took over the presentation then, discussing artificial insemination and flushing cows for eggs, and some of the notable figures in the industry:



This is **Osborndale Ivanhoe** – a prize bull whose semen sold for mucho dinero and sire of:



Collins-Crest Ivanhoe Triune J, also known as Triune J, was a highly regarded Holstein cow, bred by **Donald S. Collins in Perry, New York**. She was notable for being a [1964 Reserve All-American 2-year-old](#) and the [1966 Reserve All-American 4-year-old](#). She was also the first 4-year-old and best udder at the 1966 NYS Black & White Show and Eastern National Holstein Show. **She was sired by Osborndale Ivanhoe**. She sold for \$50,000!!

John Mueller took over for Don to talk about **Willow Bend Farm** – a 3-farm dairy cooperative milking 6,000 cows a day – using Robotics, RFID chips, and Rotary Parlors. The three farms involved: Willow Bend in Manchester, Spring Hope Dairy in Hopewell, and Bonna Terra Farm in Bloomfield.

He finished his talk with Nutrient Management – otherwise known as manure. Both the DEC and EPA have rules that have to be managed to balance out the local environment – key to that is not having it infiltrate wells and ground water.

Antibiotics are only given to sick cows who are taken out of the milking line – their milk given to calves.

Once healthy, their milk is tested three times before the milk can be sold again as anti-biotic free.



50/50 and Joker Draw: Linda Werts drew the Ace of Spades, and Jack Kellogg walked away with \$20.00 cash.



Upcoming Events:

Camp Onseyawa Carnival – August 17

Camp Onseyawa Teardown – August 23

Framing Frenzy – August 23 – Zion Fellowship

District Golf Tournament – September 12, Reservoir Creek Golf Course

One Rotary Summit – September 6, 8:30 – 12:30 Victor

Monte Carlo Night – November 1, Hotel Canandaigua

First Friday:



Rotary International Theme:

