



“The Peal”

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



Meeting Thursdays 12:15 p.m.
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Today's Program: Valarie Knoblauch – Finger Lakes Visitor Connection

Next Week: Sarah Gallagher - Stroke Coordinator @ UR Thompson Hospital

Meeting notes from December 17, 2020

Pledge: President, Lynn Holcomb

Invocation: Mark Vahey

Song: Adeline Rudolph, My Country Tis of Thee
(Thank you Adeline for your singing!)

Guests: Jodi Kaufman once again introduced Judy Radcliffe who was joining in from Ferris Hills.

Visiting Rotarians: Tom & Mary Lou Mees joined us from Florida, Mary Beer, our guest speaker belongs to Clifton Springs Rotary and Greg Noel joined us from the Clyde Rotary Club.

Remembrance: After our meeting we learned Don O'Neill's wife, Jackie has passed on Wednesday. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Don at this difficult time.

Greetings from afar: Jack Kellogg shared a short note he received from Andy Platou; our Honorary Member who now resides in Maine close to where his daughter lives. Andy appreciates receiving all the cards and phone messages. He shared he will be turning 99 in January and hopes to visit us all in 2022 when he turns 100! He wishes Merry Christmas to everyone!

Announcements: Jodi Kaufman brought us up to date on the Winter Boutique fundraiser currently being worked on. The committee is still seeking items to be added to our upcoming auction web site, which will go live starting on January 24th. If you have items/gift certificates to donate, please get in touch with Jodi. For businesses who want to participate but currently face financial limits, the 'Adopt a Shop' businesses currently are Bon Ami, Chandelier Boutique, and Jose & Willy's. Consider purchasing a gift certificate from those establishments to donate for the auction. Ken Poole said Finger Lakes Treasure Trove @ 222 South Main Street is hosting a children's event this Saturday, 12/19, and could use toys, used or new. If you can, please donate to the cause.

Holiday Cheer: Preston Pierce announced we had our best ever collection for Holiday Cheer. \$1700 was collected resulting in the purchase of 68 gift cards being delivered to the school by Preston. WAY TO GO MEMBERS! Your generosity is nothing short of amazing!



Bell Ringing - Let's get that trophy back from Kiwanis!

Program: Mary Beer, Ontario County Public Health Director – Discussion on Covid-19

Mary had so much information she shared with us and answered several questions.

- ✚ Over 2000 infected in Ontario County since March
- ✚ Wednesday there were 83 new cases, 65 in the community and 18 in long term care facilities
- ✚ In the school systems, 166 students and 43 staff have tested positive
- ✚ 27 are in the hospital, most on respirators
- ✚ 43 have died in our county due to Covid
- ✚ Symptoms include headaches, fever, vomiting, diarrhea, upper respiratory infection and cough.
- ✚ There are multiple clusters within manufacturing facilities, families and because of parties being held
- ✚ They are following 538 people who have tested positive and are isolated, and another 810 people who have been exposed and are quarantined
- ✚ Those with Covid are isolated for at least 10 days and those who have been exposed are quarantined for 14 days (the incubation period for Covid varies by individual with most everyone showing symptoms within 14 days if they ultimately get Covid due to their exposure.)
- ✚ Covid rates are rising in outlying rural areas and Mary shared the number of cases in each community
- ✚ Our county is finally receiving additional testing, after much pleading to Albany. Ontario County is partnering with Finger Lakes Community Health to have a rapid testing site in Geneva on Thursdays. The County will have rapid testing on Tuesdays at their garage in Hopewell in front of the Safety Training Building. Victor Farmington Ambulance is in the process of also setting up a testing site. Testing will be by appointment only. Rapid testing is 94 to 95% accurate.
- ✚ The County does have a plan in place to distribute vaccines, but must wait for guidelines/rules from the State of New York/governor
- ✚ Through testing sites there should be no charge for a Covid test (some health care providers do charge)
- ✚ The governor has said there should also be no charge for a Covid vaccine

For the most accurate and up to date info visit the County's web site to find more info on testing sites, etc.
<https://www.co.ontario.ny.us/101/Public-Health>

There are also opportunities to volunteer to help at the County testing site on Tuesdays. Contact Brian Young, Deputy County Administrator, at brian.young@co.ontario.ny.us.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE
STAY SAFE
SEE YOU IN 2021