



The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



Meeting Thursdays 12:15 p.m.
American Legion Post #256
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Today's Program: Managing Early-successional Habitat to Support Biodiversity

Next Week: No Meeting – Thanksgiving!

Meeting Notes from: November 14, 2024

Pledge: President Kim Tenreiro

Inspiration: Janet Tenreiro

Guests: Jarod Simpson for the last time, Lexie Allen – Salvation Army, Paula Knight – FLCC Culinary Program, Sandy McGavern.

Visiting Rotarians: Tom & MaryLou Mees

Exchange Student: Din got a haircut, went to church and heard Vivaldi's Gloria, and is selling tickets for a pancake breakfast at Charlie's on November 23rd as a fundraiser for his Robotics team.

Interact Students: Kimberly Sproul, Olivia Kessel, Shirley Chen, and Jeyuen joined us today. They are sponsoring a Toy Drive in conjunction with Volunteers of America. They will be collecting new toys and would like help with Donation Boxes. All donations will be collected by December 8.

Jared Simpson Induction: We inducted Jared with the help of his sponsor Adeline Rudolph. Jared is the son of Bob and Ann Simpson – both past Rotarians. Jared was a teacher at CA for 27 years, and is currently the Canandaigua Town Supervisor. He is married to Kelli Simpson and has 4 children – 3 of whom live in Utah, with 1 still local.

PolioPlus Society – Rick Lessard and Rick Hawks both joined the other 100 folks in our district to become members of the **PolioPlus Society**. That

involves committing to donate at least \$100.00 per year to PolioPlus until Polio is eradicated. Thank you both!

I See You Award While Rick Lessard was up front, Kim presented him the **I See You Award** for always stepping up for projects, social events, and being a Johnny-on-the-spot!

Board Meeting The board met Wednesday morning and agreed to send **The Rotary Foundation** \$2,000 total and credit every member of the club with a portion to continue as an **EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) club**. We also committed to \$500.00 for Veteran support for **Christmas Making Spirits Bright**.

Board Openings: Past President Nancy announced that there are 3 board openings beginning next July, and is looking for at least 6 people to step up to run in the election to be held on December 19th. ***It doesn't matter how long you have been a Rotarian*** – if you want to serve, you are welcome to throw your hat in the ring.

Holiday Cheer! Preston Pierce had his collection of hats to be passed, and the generosity of all participants resulted in \$1,000 for the Thanksgiving holiday cheer. **THANK YOU ALL!**

Steve Uebbing reports that we are down to the wire with the RPO concert on December 5, all we need now is for the club to sell 600 tickets! Sell, Sell, Sell!

Kathleen Draper will be making a presentation on Biochar to some folks from Cornell. Guests are invited to attend – See Kathleen for more information.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing – **Curt Bailey** has the schedule up, thanks to **Clark Kurtz**, and has also engaged with Interact and our newest members to participate!

Our own **Dan Bakowski** from Pam Helming's office is the chair of the Town of Canandaigua Community Advisory Panel, and they are looking for help in completing a survey – See the QR code below:

Help us make a difference today by completing and sharing this brief survey!



Bottle and Can Drive – this weekend at The Central on Main. Thanks for organizing, **Jodi**!

Notes from today's program: **Carla Jordan is the Ontario County Director of Sustainability & Solid Waste** and worked for Casella for 12 years prior to that. Ontario County has 23 unlined landfills (our local dumps). New York State has 27 lined landfills – like the one between Canandaigua and Geneva. Our local landfill has been in existence since 1974 with multiple operators. Casella has been the operator most recently with a 25 year lease which runs out in December of 2028. Over the years they have paid the county millions of dollars, and currently pay about \$4 million a year. Our landfill is permitted for 916,000 tons of solid waste annually, of which only about 700,000 tons is used, and which Ontario County contributes about 100,000 tons. Old dumps were often located in wetlands, as there was no chance of development, but they ended up contaminating ground water. Once the lined landfill was opened, all the

unlined ones were closed and became transfer stations. The Ontario County Landfill has a \$52 million bond in case of an emergency closure. Landfills, incinerators, and wastewater facilities contribute about 8% of carbon footprint. For more information, go to OCLandfillfuture.org or OCLandfillfuture.com for summaries for future outcomes.

Noah's Blessing Box: Remember to bring canned goods, non-perishable food items, toiletries, sanitary products, etc. The items you bring will be delivered following every meeting.

Upcoming Rotary Events:

RPO Concert: Thursday, December 5, CA

District Conference: May 2-4, 2025, Corning

International Convention – June 21-25, 2025 Calgary

Joker Draw and 50/50 – **President Kim** took home \$20 and **Gloria Dancause** drew the 7 of spades.

Ho(me)work: Do something you would not normally do. Identify where your comfort zone lines are and step out of them little by little. Go hiking on a trail new to you, make a dish you've never tried, or say yes next time a friend asks you to go out when you'd normally say no.

Final thoughts: Let's make our community and ourselves "Better than Before".

