





Meeting Thursdays 12:15 p.m. American Legion Post #256 454 North Main Street "SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES" www.canandaiguarotary.org Club 4765, District 7120, Organized Apr. 24, 1919

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# Official Newsletter of the Canandaigua Rotary Service Foundation Today's Program: TBD

Next Week: School Superintendent, Jamie Farr

Meeting notes from April 28, 2022 Pledge: President Mike Schiller Invocation: Jenny Goodemote Song: Mark Sheppard- R-O-T-A-R-Y (in honor of the upcoming district conference)

Guests: Mary Ferris, Katie Smith, and Alexis Lawrence, guests of Jenny Goodemote Visiting Rotarians: Kathy Crelot

## **Announcements:**

-**United Way Day of Caring** is on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Canandaigua Rotary will be assisting at the American Legion

-On May 20<sup>th</sup>, **Naples Rotary** is hosting a golf tournament. Register by May 9<sup>th</sup>!

-Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>- joint meeting with Kiwanis

-Jodi Kaufman announced that there was a nice turnout for the Earth Day trash pick up. Thanks to Doug and Debbie Merrill, Marty Muehe, Curt Bailey, Marty Potter, and the school tennis team for your help!

-Nancy Stelnyk thanked the 8 Rotarians, 11 Kiwanians, and Interact for their help with the pick up day at Kershaw, the pier, the boat launch, and McDonalds

-Kent Gilges had a fun run, "The Race for the Rest of Us" update: it will start at Twisted rail and end at New York Kitchen. The .5K on September 10<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm. They need more Rotarians on the committee, and also need runners/walkers.

-Greg Gullo thanked everyone who helped bag and deliver 900 trees! The kids loved them!

# Fines and Happy Dollars:

**Mike Schiller** fined himself for not coming to Outhouse Park to help Jodi's team- he went to a basketball tournament instead!

**Kent Gilges** had a happy dollar for his son who finally completed his tour and is on his long awaited honeymoon

**Janet Tenreiro** is isolated with Covid, but will be released in time for the conference!

**Dave Korpiel** saw his daughter on base in TX-she's now a  $2^{nd}$  lieutenant!

Adeline Rudolph's son is registered to transfer to RIT in March. He will study engineering and join ROTC.

Mark Sheppard's son Kevin is at the University of Oklahoma

**Ken Poole**'s son, an architect, finally finished refurbishing an NYC church- a project that took 4 years!

Clark Kurtz "just realized" he got a new Subaru

**Gareth Evans** is finally recovered from the flu and Covid!

**Jodi Kaufmann** avoided Covid and traveled to Florida, California, and New Mexico (where she had world-class chocolate). She also had a happy dollar for Doug and Ellen, who presented on Lunches out of Landfills at the school last week.

## Program: Jenny Goodemote, Mary Ferris, Katie Smith, and Alexis Lawrence- Wood Library

The Wood Library has been busier than ever over the last year. Visitors are up 35%, they have 11,263 cardholders, Digital cards are up 57%, and checkouts are up 37%! They did 638 live and recorded programs last year.

**Mary Ferris** reported on her children's programming (babies up to 5<sup>th</sup> grade). The "funnest" part is getting kids their first library card. She also does programs like 1000 books before kindergarten, Where's Waldo, and a Bear Hunt. Virtually and hybrid, she does take the library to your children day, Zoom read alongs, "take and make" craft bags, the Baker Park Story Walk, Kiddie Kamp, Movies in the Park, and kindergarten orientation. They also do (mostly masked) Tails & Tales, tie-dye shirts, presentations from our animal friends at Bridges for Brain Injury, and a stuffed animal sleepover, as well as the bibliobop dance party.

**Katie Smith** reported on her teen programming for grades 6-12. There are many crafts at home, as well as a Teen Advisory Board, game nights, teen theater, and a new 3D printer named Max.

Alexis Lawrence reported for adult programming. They have a hybrid New Yorker group, knitters group, Young Adult Advisory Board (look out for their next game night at Dalai Java), tai chi, portraits, Tales & Tails (with a special visit from a horse), adult lectures, and a growing list of community partnerships. And of course, crafts. Jenny will feature in a murder mystery video in October!

#### **Strategic Plan and Funding Update:**

Through 2026, Wood Library's focus will be on Library and Employee Relations, Library Services, Library facility, Library Staff Development, and Sustainability.

Funding comes from: -Donations/fundraising -Endowment income -Fees -Program Grants State Aid -Community-based funding

Expenses include:

- -Salaries and wages
- -Personnel benefits
- -Collections
- -Online services & tech
- -Programs & services
- -Building maintenance

#### Funding update:

In 2022 they were able to fully restore hours with a budget of \$1,095,279. For 2023 they are seeking a \$1,173,000 budget to incorporate mandated minimum wage increases, technology upgrades, and increasing library access for all. The voter approved levy will be \$771,000. If approved, the levy will increase the tax rate by 1.7 cents per \$1000 of assessed value, which equals \$2.51 per \$150,000.

## How to Vote:

Vote on Library Proposition #3 on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. If voting absentee, ballot must be mailed by May 10<sup>th</sup> or delivered in person on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Completed ballots must be received by 5pm on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Anyone with questions can contact Jenny directly or board president Jill Werth at <u>Jill.Werth@gmail.com</u>. There will also be a public information session at the library on May 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

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Nancy Stelnyk presented Jenny with the book 3 Tamales on behalf of the club.

Don O'Neill won the \$10 AND drew the Ace of Clubs. President Mike Schiller closed the meeting with the 4-Way Test.