



“The Peal”

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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	Publication Date: January 13, 2022 No. 21 Volume 102
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Today's Program: Salvation Army Bell Ringing, David Rhodes

Next Week: Club Goals – Marty, Nancy & Kim / New Website - Clark

Meeting notes from January 6, 2022

Pledge: President Mike Schiller

Invocation & Song Leader: Ken Poole

Song: *God Bless America*

Polio Plus Collection: Mark Sheppard

Guests: Andy Platou and his family & friends joined in via Zoom. Attendance was light in person with a good number of members attending on Zoom.

Visiting Rotarians: Mary Lou Mees with Tom Mees via Zoom.

Moment of Silence for the passing of long-time Rotarian and community visionary **Dick Appel**.

Announcements:

Joint Rotary/Kiwanis Meeting: rescheduled tentatively for February 15. Stay tuned for details.

First Friday: cancelled this month due to Covid.

Rotary Board Meeting: Wednesday, January 12 at 7:30 am at Ray's Restaurant.

Children's Library: **Ken Poole** has 235 boxes of children's books in his garage and is looking for a place to donate entire library.

Celebration of Andy Platou's 100th Birthday (1/8): All joined in a rousing chorus of *Happy Birthday* followed by cake (courtesy of Donna Miller). Andy had always wanted to come back to the Club to celebrate, but we did the next best thing! It was nice to see him and his family virtually!

Happy Dollars:

Marty Muehe officially retired and had \$43 – one for each year in practice.

George Herren visited with **Doug Lowden** at Horizons. Doug was in good spirits and welcomes guests (call first).

Jack Moran was very happy to have his entire family together over the Holidays – first time in 7 years!

Mike Wilcox had Happy Holidays with his family – near and far.

Jack Kellogg informed us of the warmest place in any room ... the corner – 90°

Program: Gina Jacques, Risk Specialist at CNB

In 2019, there were 14.4 million consumer ID thefts in the US (1 in 15 people) with adults 50+ hit at a rate of 1 in 4. Consumers alone accounted for \$1.9 billion lost due to ID theft.

Tips on how you can help protect yourself from fraud:

- Check your credit score at a minimum once a year
- Review credit card and bank statements often preferably as soon as posted.
- Monitor ALL your accounts!
- Recommend using credit card vs debit card when making a purchase. Avoid using anything directly linked to your savings or checking account.
- NEVER click on a link within an email or text! Log directly into the website or call a trusted number.
- Take a step back when presented with something online or on the phone – does it make sense? (Buying gift cards, sending cash, helping a grandchild in trouble in Mexico...???)
- Never save passwords unprotected on any device (avoid urge to hit *remember me*). Don't use the same password for multiple accounts. If you want to store passwords on your computer, put them on an Excel spreadsheet and lock it with a password.
- Get antivirus protection on your cellphone.
- Shred all documents especially credit card applications and statements. (Check for carbon imprints from checks when recording account numbers on memo lines. Shred check copies before discarding.
- Don't mail your bill payments from personal mailbox – use the Post Office or official USPS boxes.
- Watch out for spoofed phone numbers on cell phones. Use voicemail if unsure of a call. Look up published number to verify and call back. Never give out info – especially if caller initiated call – they should already have it!
- Report suspicion of ID theft immediately.

Over half the room reported having been touched by fraud. Be Vigilant!

Children's Book in honor of our speaker: *No Buddy Like a Book* by Allan Wolf; Illustrated by Brianne Farley

Polio Plus Collection: \$73.66 (despite light turnout)

50/50: **Mark Vahey** drew the 5 of Diamonds and **Marty Muehe** won \$9. **Judy Ratcliffe** lead the 4-Way Test.