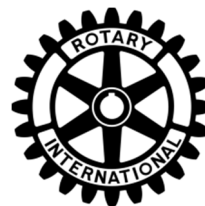




The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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American Legion Post #256
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Today's Program: Annual Joke Contest – Rocco & Kent Moderators

Next Week: Self Driving Cars – Jim Harvey

Meeting Notes from: March 27, 2025

Pledge: President Kim

Inspiration: Janet Tenreiro

Guests: Lindsey Ayers & Sue Mortensen from the Canandaigua Lake Watershed. Marty Muehe introduced his former law partner, Carol Maue.

Visiting Rotarians: Rich DeAsis from the Rotary Club of Rochester joined us.

Exchange Student: Din is visiting Hawaii and will report on his travels upon return.

Remembrances: With sadness, it was announced the **Carin Herren** passed away on March 20th. Married for over 64 years, **George** spoke of her beauty and grace. A memorial service will be held at the First Congregational Church on April 12th at 10 A.M.

Announcements: The District Learning Assembly will be held April 5th at Midlakes High School. Register on line at the District website.

- RYLA deadline for applicants who are current high school juniors is April 15th.
- 130 tickets remain for our Gas Raffle. Sell, Sell, Sell..
- **Curt Bailey** reported on a very successful Bowl-a-Thon. \$4,000 was raised for scholarships.
- First Friday will be held at Wally's Pub on April 4th.
- **Greg Gullo** made the initial announcement for the annual Arbor Day Tree Bagging Extravaganza at his house April 24th. **Greg** was also the recipient of the "prestigious" I See You award this week.

Holden Memorial Award: A \$10,000 portion of the generous Holden Family contribution was paid to the Canandaigua Lake Watershed Assn. to be used to

purchase scientific educational equipment that will be used to monitor and evaluate the health of our lake.

Happy Dollars / Fines: Doug Merrill was happy to host the ladies from the Watershed Authority

- **President Kim** paid for his 50th anniversary of his 21st birthday and **Mark Sheppard** was happy to spend time in Florida with family and (safely) jump from a perfectly good airplane.

Program: We were joined by **Jess Alinaitwe**, Chief of Staff and Director of Community Partnerships of the Ugandan Water Project. The Ugandan Water Project exists to see Uganda as a nation liberated from the bondage of water-borne disease and poverty as communities leverage the transformative power of clean water to empower all people to live the lives they were created for. Uganda is a land locked African country bordering on Lake Victoria and is "absolutely gorgeous" according to **Jess** who lived there for years. While in Uganda, she witnessed water borne illness and a crisis of both water quality and access. The distance and time that persons must devote to accessing water impacts child education and quality of life for women in the villages. Jess and partners in Rotary Clubs in our District are pursuing a \$100,000 global grant with three strategies:

Water Today – Rainwater Collection Systems

Water Tomorrow – Rehab hand pumps and wells

Water Forever – Use of local and better materials with fewer parts.

Goto www.Ugandanwaterproject.com for more information

50/50: **Ellen Polimeni** won \$15 (again!) and **Judi Gorenflo** drew the Ace of hearts. **Tom Rogers** prevailed in the heads and tails challenge, The \$100 will be donated to the Ugandan Water Project.