



The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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Today's Program: Hon. Debra A. Martin - Mediation

Next Week: Coach Mark Taylor – Hobart Hockey

Meeting Notes from: October 30, 2025

Pledge: 1st Vice President Mark Sheppard

Prayer: Kathi Nevin

Song: Clark Kurtz – My Country Tis of Thee

Visiting Rotarians: PDG Terri Hall joined us from Alaska.

Guests: Jay Dutcher's guest was **Domenic Argentieri**, Director of Development with the Seneca Waterways Council (Scouting). Domenic is a perspective member. **Matt Parsons**, Commander at the Legion, was present and is also a perspective member. **Marty Muehe's** guest was his partner, **Kathy Pierce**.

Moment of Silence: 1st Vice President, Mark Sheppard announced Honorary Rotarian, **Peter Mulvaney**, passed away on Monday, October 27th. Peter passed in his sleep. No other information was available at the time of our meeting.

Exchange Student, Maria Polese (from Brazil): Maria was unable to join us.

Jackpot Raffle: Rick Hawks was waiting to round up the last 18 tickets that were still outstanding. All hopes are that before the beginning of the Monte Carlo event, all tickets will be sold and accounted for. Drawing will take place at 9:00 pm at the event.

Announcements: Tom Rogers and Ed O'Connor worked to sell 6 jackpot tickets at our meeting and were successful in doing so. **Kim Tenreiro** is now looking for nominations for candidates to join our Rotary

Board. Kim encourages all members to consider submitting their names, especially newer members who could bring new ideas to our club. The position is for a 3-year term which starts on July 1st, 2026. Board elections take place at the 2nd meeting in December. **Kim** also shared information on his upcoming performances of 'A Christmas Carol'. All monies raised at the performances are donated to various organizations. If you've never seen Kim's performance, you may want to consider doing so. You will not be disappointed. **Curt Bailey** announced you can now sign up online for the Salvation Army Bell ringing (see the homepage of our web site) or talk to Curt directly. We will be ringing the Salvation Army bells on 11/28 and 12/19. **Doug Merrill** gave a last shout out for anyone interested in purchasing a LifeVac kit. Please let Doug know asap if you would like one. **Gloria Dancause** reported that she and **Beverly Cartwright** made it through handing out pumpkins and candy at Fall into Canandaigua. They were the only two Rotarians present at the event. **Paul Harvey** said 200 tickets have been sold for the Monte Carlo event. Several items have been donated for the evening, including two tickets to the November 16th Bills game. **Matt Parsons**, Commander at the Legion, shared last week that the Legion is offering a free lunch on Veterans Day to any Veteran. The Legion is also offering a Veteran's Day Dinner on Saturday, November 15th at 6:00pm. Veterans eat for free, and civilians pay \$10 per meal. For the dinner, please RSVP to POST256@ALNY256.com. **Mark Sheppard** gave a shout out to **Jeff Anthony** for all the work he does selling raffle tickets for Camp Onseyawa. This year our club was the top seller of raffle tickets in the District, raising \$900 for the camp. **Marty Potter**

won the top prize (a 50" TV) this year, and three other current and former members of our club (Tom Rogers, Greg Gullo and Dick Hildebrandt), each won 4 rounds of golf. **Jack Kellogg** reminded all to get out and vote. **Jamie Farr** provided information about an upcoming forum on November 4th – (see below). Jamie said this forum should be very interesting and encourages all to attend. Jamie shared that powering 100 electric school buses is like powering all of Eastview Mall. Wow!



Happy Dollars / Fines: **Doug Merrill** was happy about attending his daughter's graduation in DC as she became a member of law enforcement in the Capital. **Ben Green** was pleased that about 1800 people attended the Haunted Stroll at Sonnenberg Gardens. **Curt Bailey** shared what a terrific job Janet and Kim Tenreiro did leading classes at the Rotary Leadership training in Victor. **Marty Potter** for winning a TV in the Camp Onseyawa raffle. **Ed O'Connor** for two weeks in Ireland. **Jack Kellogg** for his grandsons being inducted into the National Honor Society, for his ride-along with the Sheriff's department last Friday and for Ginny, his wife, who is doing much better with her new knee. **George Herren** was happy to be able to sit with PDG, Terri Hall.

Program: Claire Corwin & Julie DeMerdman – Alzheimer's Association

Julie briefly spoke and then introduced Claire who did the presentation. Claire offered much insight into the various forms of dementia, which includes Alzheimer's. She answered many questions from members as well. Claire shared that there is an Alzheimer's/Dementia Rotary Action Group, with 800+ Rotary groups involved. (Perhaps our club could look into this.) The Alzheimer's Association vision is 'A world without Alzheimer's and all other dementia.' Dementia is an umbrella term for loss of memory and other thinking

abilities severe enough to interfere with daily life. Here is how her slide broke down the various forms of dementia and the percentages of cases for each:

- Alzheimer's (60-80%)
- Lewy Body (5-10%)
- Vascular Dementia (5-10%)
- Frontotemporal Dementia (5-10%)
- Others (Parkinson's, Huntington's)

Claire showed the progression of various medicines to help dementia patients and the year they became available. Most currently available therapies do not modify or slow down the disease; they only treat the symptoms. There currently is no cure for Alzheimer's, which is why continued research is so vital. Just recently two new drugs have been developed that can slow the progression of Alzheimer's, but they must be given in the very early stages of the disease. Those drugs can only be taken for a period of 6-20 months due to side effects and the limited time in which they are effective. In New York alone, there are more than 410,000 people aged 65 or older living with Alzheimer's disease and 586,000 caregivers, who each provide an average of 25 hours of unpaid care per week. If you or a family member has any concerns about dementia diseases, do not hesitate to reach out to the Alzheimer's Association Rochester & Finger Lakes Region Chapter. Their phone # is (800)272-3900 and their web address is <https://www.alz.org/rochesterny>. The office is located at 200 Meridian Centre Blvd. Suite 110, Rochester, NY 14618.

Joker Draw: With only 26 cards remaining in the deck, **Mary Green** drew the **Joker** and won just under \$500!! That left \$21 for **Ed O'Connor** to take home. Next week we begin with a new deck of cards.

Upcoming Rotary Events:

11/28 – Salvation Army Bell Ringing
12/19 – Salvation Army Bell Ringing



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*Thank You to All
Who Served*