



“The Peal”

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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Today's Program: Preston Pierce – Poor House

Next Week: Finger Lakes Opera

Meeting notes from June 30, 2022

Pledge: President Mike Schiller

Invocation: Ethan Fogg

Song: Kim Tenreiro

Guests: No guests

Visiting Rotarians: Jim Crane, Victor-Farmington Rotary

Announcements:

Kim Tenreiro announced that all flags are sold out for the flag subscription program. However, more subscriptions will be accepted. Subscribers get an entire year of flag service.

Jodi Kaufmann was glad to see **Kent Gilges'** battery backup project for the school in Haiti mentioned in this month's issue of Rotarian Magazine. She also shared an environmental tip – bring mesh reusable produce bags when grocery shopping and only bag what's needed. Jodi reminded the Club that ticket prices for the Canandaigua Lake Chamber Music Festival did not increase this year.

Bev Cartwright is excited for the July 4th Parade because we are #9 out of 75 groups! Participants are asked to dress in blue and gold.

Kent Gilges updated everyone on the Race for the Rest of Us, a 0.5K walk/run along the Canandaigua shoreline on September 10 from 11am-2pm. Tickets are \$30. 13 sponsorships have been secured so far. Tickets are available through the Rotary website.

Pastor Jeff from Churches in Action was presented with a check for \$5282 from Past Presidents' Day. Jeff was very grateful reminding the Club about all the important services CCIA provides to the community including drive-thru food distributions, backpack programs, a food pantry and clothing closet, and Pregnancy CareNet. 300 families benefited from the food distributions and 216 kids received backpacks filled with food to help with times of food insecurity. Food costs are going up so every donation helps.

Program:

President Mike Schiller reflected on his past year as President. The Rotary theme was "Serve to Change Lives" and it was a great way to start the Rotary year after two years of COVID. Mike reviewed his goals and accomplishments:

1. One project a month – this was achieved through various activities like Bumpers n' Banjos, firewood delivery, Motion Junction Inclusive

Playground, Adopt-a-Highway, coat collection, adopt a VA veteran, jackpot tickets, tree bagging, Bowlathon, meat raffle, District Conference, Service Above Self Dinner, and books for Budding Readers. And many more!

2. Be more visible – with the help of several committees, a new website launched, Facebook was more active, and more Rotary news was spotted in the Daily Messenger.
3. Donate to Community Organizations – Many community organizations were supported by the Canandaigua Rotary Club including Wood Library, the Boys and Girls Club in Geneva, Our Children's Place, Honor Flight, Thompson Hospital ICU, Sonnenberg Gardens, Salvation Army, Habitat for Humanity, Pregnancy CareNet and CCIA. The Club also awarded \$4500 in student scholarships.
4. Meet goals for fundraising – No, instead we exceeded them! The Club raised above and beyond the targeted goals for Polio Plus, Happy Dollars, and the Rotary Foundation. The Club is now 100% Paul Harris Fellowship. The average gift per member is \$100.

Thank you to **Marty Potter**, the Rotary Board and committees!

The Presidential Pin was then passed to **Marty Potter**.

Donna Miller and **Ethan Fogg** presented **Chris Hubler** from Canandaigua Insurance Agency with the Annual Salute to Small Business Award. Congratulations, Chris! Well deserved!

President Mike Schiller was presented with a clock from **Nancy Stelnyk**. It just isn't in yet!

A Pit Pass was sold to **Ed O'Connor** for \$30.

Neighbor to Neighbor was selected to be the Charity of Choice receiving a \$250 donation from the Club.

Joker Drawing:

Tracey DelloStritto chose the 3 of Clubs.

Kent Gilges walked away with \$11.