



The Peal

Rotary Club of Canandaigua



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Today's Program: Summer Social – Let's Chat

Next Week: Melina Carnicelli – 1st Amendment – 1st Vote

Meeting Notes from: August 22, 2024

Pledge: President Kim Tenreiro

Inspiration: Janet Tenreiro

Guests: Eileen Kennedy, Kathleen Draper's twin sister and a prospective new member. **John Reyes-Guerra**, was in attendance with **Kent Gilges**. **Kyle Sheppard's** wife, **Brin** joined us for lunch as well.

Visiting Rotarians: **Larry Robinson**, recently moved to Canandaigua from Ithaca and is looking to transfer to our club.

Exchange Student: Our new exchange student, **Din**, was introduced to our club. **Din** is from Thailand and is currently staying with **Kim & Janet Tenreiro**. (**Din's** actual name is **Bhuwana Tawal-Unnop**.) **Din** arrived at 2:00am Tuesday morning after traveling for 40 hours on three different flights. **Din** is 15 years old, and his main interests are computers and robotics. Welcome **Din**! We look forward to getting to know you! **President Kim** wrote a special song for **Din**, which was sung to the tune of **Getting to Know You**.

Announcements: **Discover Canandaigua, September 28th**. Need volunteers to staff booths and games. **President Kim** had a sign-up sheet for members to select a time to help. Shifts are 1-1/2 hours each. The club is going to purchase new Rotary polo shirts for members. If you would like one and have not yet let **Marty Potter** know your size, please do so either by email, text or phone. The shirts will soon be ordered. **President Kim** said if any past president of the club is interested in

becoming district governor, please let our DG, **Dave Demers** know. **President Kim** also shared the **Granger Homestead** is looking for volunteers for this year's **Christkindl Market**, which is held in November.

Happy Dollars / Fines: **Doug Merrill** was happy for the successful **Canandaigua Lake Watershed** summer camp, which was just held. There were 30 middle school students who attended, and our club paid for 5 of those students to attend. **Janet Tenreiro** was happy for **Din** arriving and they are looking forward to a trip to **Niagara Falls**. **Nancy Stelnyk** paid for a trip to **France**, but unfortunately caught covid on the way home. **Judy Ratcliffe** paid for her phone ringing during last week's meeting. Latter on in the meeting both **Clark Kurtz** and **Mark Sheppard** paid fines for the same reason. **Jack Kellogg** had visits from his niece and nephew from **Maine** and a nephew from **Toronto**. **Kent Gilges' guest, John Reyes-Guerra**, was happy he did not have to sing or dance, as **Kent** suggested at the beginning of our meeting that he might have to.

I See You Award: **President Kim** awarded this week's **I See You** to **Donna Miller** for the numerous tasks she performs for our club, many of which others may have no idea she does. **Donna** received a standing ovation.

Jackpot Drawing Update: From **Rick Hawks** and his team, we have sold 75% of the jackpot tickets with 455 tickets turned in. An early bird drawing was held with 10 more lucky ticket holders receiving an additional jackpot ticket.

SELL! SELL! SELL!

Program: *Empowering People's
Independence, presented by Sarah Korba and
Mike Radell*

Sarah and Mike's program was about the organization, EPI – Empowering People's Independence. The organization supports individuals with epilepsy, intellectual and developmental issues and those with brain injuries. EPI was founded in 1977 with a group of parents creating a support group. Today the organization has over 1000+ employees. They have 4 NYS regions, serving the Southern Tier, Finger Lakes, Western and Central NY. Their three NYS offices are in Rochester, Syracuse and Binghamton. They have 13 residential options, including group homes and apartments. Over 800 children and adults are currently supported in OPWDD self-directed services. EPI is a founding member of the Epilepsy Alliance America, a national network of epilepsy focused human service agencies. EPI offers numerous programs and services, a description of which can be found on their website. Mike shared that 1 in 26 people have one form or another of epilepsy, and of those, 1 in 10 will have seizures. The question was asked about what to do when someone has a seizure. Mike said the basics are to stay calm, turn the person on their side to aid in their breathing, keep the person comfortable & safe, and if the seizure last more than 5 minutes or if the seizure is an unexpected episode (meaning the person has never had a seizure in the past or if the seizure is the result of them having fallen and hitting their head), then call 911. Most seizures last between 1 to 3 minutes. Sarah and Mike had much more information than can be included in this newsletter. Visit their website for additional information, including info on their upcoming fundraisers.

<https://www.epiny.org>

Joker Draw: Judy Gorenflo was happy to win \$12 and Ed O'Connor drew the 7 of Diamonds.

Noah's Blessing Box: Remember to bring canned goods, non-perishable food items, toiletries, sanitary products, etc. The items you bring will be delivered following every meeting.

Upcoming Rotary Events:

District 7120 Golf Tournament: Friday, September 6,

Reservoir Creek Golf Course, Naples. 11 a.m.

First Friday, September 6: Brew and Brats, 4:30p.m. (Steak Night). Make reservations if you plan to eat.

District Literacy Seminar: Saturday, September 28, Clifton Springs Hospital, 9am-12pm

RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute): Saturday, September 28, **Vernon/Verona/Sherrill High School**, 8 am – 3 pm

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District Foundation Brunch: Sunday, October 27, RIT Inn and Conference Center, 11:00 a.m.

District Conference: May 2-4, 2025, Corning



**Let's make our community and ourselves
"Better than Before"**

Happy Labor Day!

Labor Day origins date back to the late 19th century, when activists first sought to establish a day to pay tribute to workers. The first Labor Day celebration in the U.S. took place in New York City on Sept. 5, 1882, when some 10,000 workers marched in a parade organized by the Central Labor Union and the Knights of Labor.

**Enjoy the Ring of Fire on
Saturday, August 31st**