



Weekly Spokes

April 14, 2020

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Club Announcements:

Guests-Wendi Keenan, Julie's sister, Dana & Josie Allen Sadie & Anabelle

Contributions to HOC, donate amount of money you would usually pay for lunch, memo SF Rotary

Received a thank you from Girl Scouts for support buying cookies.

Ted-School District in preparing lunches for the students, they could use people to assist with packing meals. He and Fred went today and are going on Thursday. 6 am-8 am, email Ted if interested, bring your own mask, they have gloves. Difficult to social distance because of the environment.

If anyone needs a mask, let Rhonda know. They are doing 1 per household and then will fill in as they can. If you are making masks, let Rhonda know.

Annual Dinner June 23rd.

Trips & Happy Dollars:

Dana & Josie happy to be here and see everyone. Dana shared an abominable joke

Jerry-will concur and we should all be happy and thankful to be here

Stephen and Karen-happy to join Jacksonville meeting this morning with Dana

Fred-what do you call an aligator with a vest on? An Investigator

Wendi-visiting rotarian, happy to be on , even if sister isnt..Julie's sister Wendi(Julie joined a few minutes later!)

Bob M-Linda has been making masks!

Fred-Linda made masks for him and Denise, his was full face 😊

Kathy-John is wearing a paper bag with no eye holes

Liz-Ted called and asked her to go to the school to do meals for the kids 6am-8am, she was not too excited for the 6 am so Fred went instead. So Liz is thankful for Fred

Mark-happy to see Dana helping with the food delivery in Florida and jumping right into his new club.

Tim-10 happy dollars, nursing home is Covid negative, had 1 of the first cases, but currently no positive cases and none pending and a thank you for the masks.

Rhonda-amazed at how many people have stepped up to make masks, getting out about 100 masks per day

Cindy-curbide pickup at Dickman Farms to pick up some pansies and her Daffodils are in bloom

Dave S-Nettie's students making masks, Emma Leering working on teaching hygiene and Felix teaching importance of social distancing.

SENECA FALLS ROTARY

Today's Guests & Visitors

Wendi Keenan-Julie's sister and member of club in NC.

Dana & Josie Allen, with Sadie & Annabelle

Club Member's Rotary Anniversaries

April

Peter Crego-37 years

Rich Fredenbur-26 years

Mike Mirras-18 years

Dana Allen-Would have been 17 years!

Club Member's Birthdays

April

Neil Teague

Ken Mitchell

Important Dates & Reminders

Save the date-Change Over Dinner 6/23 at Vince's Park.

Upcoming Programs

Stay tuned! We will hopefully have programming during our Zoom lunches

We had so much to be happy about today...Happy Dollars continued!

Julie-update on HOC, planning to use donation money they are receiving to do shopping for the food pantry. They have been receiving donations, but of course they could always use more. They are not able to do many of their events/fundraisers Little Black Dress, Canal Crawl etc, but still asking sponsors to contribute

Linda K-Sad dollar, daughter Kris, said 3 more positives in Seneca County as of today. All 3 are serious enough to be hospitalized.

Phil- It is with great sadness that I say that my mother of 95 years died Wednesday. I and my 7 living siblings are so grateful for her love, strength and patience. There was always more than enough love to go around.

Dave S-happy to see JT, Easter dinner at home with Debbie so Lobster it is!

Tim-Happy JT is making him mailing labels

Fred-happy dollar that Diane Macaluso joined

Julie-happy Mike colored her roots for her and it came out nice

Ken Mitchell 88 yesterday



Ted & Fred challenge all Rotarians to visit The Bench. It has been declared a Coronavirus Free Zone (as long as you practice social distancing).



Picked up Easter Feast from my daughter's house in "to go" containers and enjoyed the meal with my hubby. Also, her husband has started the task of cleaning out the garage!

Speakers:

We were lucky to have 2 Seneca Falls Rotarians give presentations today.

First-Tim Ryan talked about the upcoming Foundation Drive:

We are about to begin this year’s foundation drive and Tim offered a thank you to Linda for assisting, he doesn’t think she knows what she is getting into. Tim has confirmed everyone’s PH balances and will be able to send out letters with how much each person donated last year and what they will need for PH. Last year we were \$1 short of \$10000, average over 200/member and we had 100% participation! This year, he will begin to work on recognizing those who give \$100/ year for Paul Harris society recognition. We are 1 member short of being 100% Paul Harris, he will talk to the board about what we can do for that. He has prepared letters and envelopes and the nursing home donated the postage so he can get the letters out in the mail ASAP. Your personal balance shows how much you have given over the years, PH=\$1000 in donations. Recognition points are if you want to give PH to someone else, 1000 recognition points equals 1 PH you can gift to someone. 8 members in the club are within a \$100 or less of next Paul Harris. He worries more about 100% participation than how much people give, especially during this time. Running campaign until May 15th, so be on the lookout for your Foundation Drive letter in the mail.

Mark Benjamin-Hunting for Dinosaurs

Vacation summer of 2016. A trip to hunt for dinosaur bones in Northwestern South Dakota-Hell Creek Formation (60-65 Million years ago)

First Dig-10 am, 110 degrees! They are digging in a pit there are tents set up for shelter from sun, but it is sweltering. They use a little tool and brush to dig in the soil, you must go really slow, and by 10:30 they made their first bone discovery. It is important to be careful bones are very brittle and can fall apart in your hands. You can also sift the loose soil to be sure to not miss any bone fragments. There is a paleontologist with his assistant working and they are available for questions or if you find something significant, but they are there working as this is an active dig site.

Claire found a mammal tooth but couldn’t keep it. You can only keep things that are not of commercial significance, (if it is, you can purchase it) and anything of scientific significance the Paleontologist keeps.

Paleontologist was working on exposing a Triceratops skull, intact and undisturbed. This is very long and tedious work, he must take time his time and be sure to not use too much pressure

The weather turned, bringing in a storm. Mark found a nice size bone fragment, so the paleontologist worked with him to get it out, it was a bone fragment from a triceratops.

