

SENECA FALLS ROTARY



Weekly Spokes

February 25, 2020

Club Officers (2019-2020)

President-Rhonda Jasper

Pres Elect-Linda Knight

VicePresident-Wendy Freidman-Kolsin

Secretary-Kathy Jans Duffy

Treasurer-Rich Fredenburg

Past President-Dave Markel

Directors

Class of 2020 Liz Becht

Class of 2021 Jolene Steele

Tim Ryan

Class of 2022 Cindy Ody-Ortego

Dave Swenson

Fred Capozzi

Club Committees & Chairs

Administration: Tim Ryan

Community Service: Kathy Jans-Duffy/Linda Knight

Foundation: Tim Ryan

Fundraising: Linda Knight/Wendy Freidman/Kolsin

International: Dave Markel

Literacy: Liz Becht

Membership: Rhonda Jasper

New Generations/Youth-Liz Becht

Public Relations-Jolene Steele/Susan Backlund

Sunshine/Social-Jolene Steele

Club Announcements:

Leap of Kindness Day-2/29 we will be giving out books and a treat to kids playing and attending games at the SF Rec Center.

Trips & Happy Dollars:

Rhonda-Thank you to Linda & Jolene for covering in her absence.

Wendy-Happy & Sad \$'s, sad death in the family, but happy because on the way home they stopped at Kalahari water park.

Linda-all of us could've experienced the fun of Kalahari like she and Liz did at the convention last year!

Jolene-BFF weekend in Old Forge, and it's birthday eve!

Susie-glad to be back, lots of trips & travel but happy to be home where family is!

Dave S-Punta Cana with the wife, kids and grandkids, none of them were allowed to visit the adults only pool

Phil-wonderful visit with granddaughter this past weekend

Ted-PSA-vote today on the SF school project

Karen-Coronavirus is in Italy, where her daughter is and where they are planning to travel in the next few weeks. Send positive thoughts & prayers

Liz-Leap of Kindness Day starting at noon until we run out

Peter-5 day trip to NC to visit son

Susan-trip to Texas to see Emre run his first marathon. Friends, family and his then fiancé (now wife) were there to cheer him on. Susan and his wife walked 10 miles to cheer him on through the day.



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Today's Guests & Visitors

Junior Rotarians-

Visiting Rotarian-

Guests-

Club Member's Rotary Anniversaries

February

Ken Mitchell-24 years

Kathy Jans-Duffy-18 years

Mark Benjamin-9 years

Cindy Ody-Ortego-2 years

Fred Capozzi-2 years

Club Member's Birthdays

February

Cindy Ody-Ortego

Jolene Steele

Important Dates & Reminders

2/29/20- Leap of Kindness Day

3/28/20-Chocolate Extravaganza

4/4/20-District Training Assembly-
Canandaigua

4/30-5/3/20-District Conference-
Niagara Falls

Upcoming Programs

3/3-Kris Knight-Childhood Lead
Poisoning

3/10-Margaret Morse-Suicide
Prevention

3/17-Tara Montoney-SF Library

Today's Program/Speaker info

Today's meeting was about one of my all-time favorite topics- Chocolate & Wine-better known as the Seneca Falls Rotary Chocolate Extravaganza! This year marks the 8th year of this event, each year seeing it grow more and more! We started out with a small group of club members putting the event together in 6 weeks and earned a little of \$2000. Last year we raised just over \$10000, with a net profit of \$9245!

We do not seek corporate sponsorships, nor do we charge our vendors to participate. So how did we raise that much money? TICKET SALES-SILENT AUCTION-EGG SALES!

The proceeds raised help support so many local projects in our community. Did you know that we supported the following community groups & projects last year?

Camp ONSEYAWA \$3250

•**United Way \$3500**

•**Safe Harbors \$2500**

•**Seneca County House of Concern \$2500**

•**Downtown Beautification \$1917**

•**Seneca Falls Library \$750**

•**Literacy Volunteers \$750**

•**SC Children's Committee (coats)\$500**

•**SC Christmas Project \$400**

And many more.....

So what do we need from our club members to help support this event and continue to raise money to support our local community?

1.-Sell your tickets and talk about the event! Tell your family, friends, coworkers, neighbors. Invite them to attend the event with you.

2.-Like and share the Seneca Falls Rotary Chocolate Extravaganza Facebook page.

3.-Bring in 2 bags of chocolate candy to be used to create the massive candy bar.

4.-Bring in a baked good for the Rotary table

5.-Donate an item for the silent auction

6. Sign up for a short shift to assist during the event.

This is our 2nd largest annual fundraiser, and we need support from all club members in order to ensure we continue to have a successful event. Any questions on what you can do? Reach out to Linda or Jolene for more information.