

Cortland Fastbreak Rotary



Doug Withey

Doug worked for the Cortland Water Department for 35 years. In his later years, he decided to teach the next generations of water operators. Doug felt it would be a shame to amass 35 years of knowledge and experiences, and not pass it onto the next generations of water operators, 2500 and counting. He transitioned from being a farmer to where he is today. At first, all he knew about water was that it was wet. Doug's passion was such that he and his family built the Port Watson Mini-Conference Center to better train water operators under the name of W2 Operator Training Group, LLC.. Doug's kids, Dereck and Jenae, are taking over the business of 16 years as he and his wife Marian enter into retirement.

“LIFE IS SIMPLE—JUST ADD WATER!”

Water itself is a gift, but it always under threat. Without water we don't have life. Locally, Doug has modernized the water system so it doesn't lose nearly as much water as it did. While the useful life of a water system is 40 years, ours is 125 years old. Doug feels that work is not work but a privilege; it is a privilege to have him in our community!

President.	Peter Williams.	Invocation.	Ed Finkbeiner
Front Desk.	Eden Harrington-Hall,	Glenn Reisweber	
Raffle.	Mike Catalano.	Happy Birthday!	Don Richards
Guests.	Doug Withey, Bob Martin		

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Peter Williams reported that this past Sunday there was a Concert for Ukraine and Grace and Holy Spirit Church. Roughly 100 people attended and \$4000 was raised for the Rotary Club of Lviv, Ukraine.

At yesterday's Board Meeting the idea of Corporate Membership was brought up.

Reminder—on Tuesday, April 19, we will be having a joint meeting with the Noon Club at Cortland Elks, 5PM Cocktails, 6PM dinner. \$20 for Rotarians and spouses, guests are no charge. **No meeting on Wednesday, April 20.**

Maria Gimma—the Rotaract Club cleaned the yards of two Rotarians, the kids enjoyed themselves.

Mike Catalano—the Robert Grantham Scholarships have gone out to students and will be evaluated.

Ed Finkbeiner—there are RYLA applications going out for two or three students.

The Newsletter Proof Reader is taking a nap—whichever first notices an error in this Newsletter and texts Conrad Janke at 315-460-0258 gets not one but two Corn Ducky Derby tickets!



Ed Finkbeiner—his. Birthday is the 18th and is glad members are celebrating it on the 19th;

Maria Gimma—thankful for Jackie's help with the Rotaract kids clean-up;

Dianne Higgins—2 weeks vacation;

Eric Comtois—for **Maria Gimma**, **Jackie Burke**, and the Rotaract kids;

Eden Harrington-Hall—going to Nigeria for a week;

Conrad Janke—seeing **Doug Withey** and **Bob Martin**;

Peter Williams—glad to be at Rotary;

Regina Grantham—\$5 for the wonderful work the Rotaract kids did at her yard;

Kathie O'Mara—also \$5 for the job the Rotaract kids did for her house.

April 3, 2022 | 3PM
Grace and Holy Spirit Church



**TOMPKINS
CORTLAND**
COMMUNITY COLLEGE



*All proceedings will be donated to
the Rotary Club in L'viv, Ukraine for
humanitarian aid*

*Checks can be made to
"Cortland Rotary Club"
with a memo to "Ukrainian Fundraiser"*

April 19 Joint Rotary Meeting, Cortland Elks, 5pm cocktails, 6pm dinner, \$20 per Rotarian and spouse, guests no charge

	Name	Number
	Conrad Janke	Three
	Karen Dewitt	One
	Regina Grantham	One
	Steve Cinquanti	One
	Peter Williams	One
	Jim Dempsey	Two
	Kathie O'Mara	One
	Mike May	One
	Mike Catalano	One
	Maria Gimma	Two
	Eden Harrington-Hall	Two
	Don Richards	Four
	Tom Turck	Two
	Eric Comtois	Two
	Ed Finkbeiner	One
	Mark Roberts	Two
	Don Ferris	One