# Kiwanis Klarion – January 9, 2025



Meetings are 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at noon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 5:30pm At the Clarion Inn, Elmira

### Next Meeting - January 16 - Steve Hughes - United Way

Welcome Table: Mark Wayne

Invocation: TBD

## Program

Tonight's program was Randi Hewitt from the Community Foundation of Elmira-Corning and the Finger Lakes. Randi gave a great presentation on how the Community Foundation works. It is made u of over 300 different funds. They have multiple scholarships for students but also many grant programs for non-profits, initiatives and training, Youth Philanthropy. One of the programs involves going to second grade classrooms in area schools and teaching them about philanthropy and at the end of the program the classroom gets a \$100 to donate to a non-profit of their choice. The students must decide where it goes as a group. For all the different funds the Foundation manages the money & disperses it. Some funds are very specific other ones more general. The overall goal is to address today's needs through multiple avenues of funding and awareness and to find creative solutions for avoiding future problems. They pride themselves on being the only foundation in the area that looks at the holistic needs of the community, including education, arts, infrastructure, animals, the environment, and wellness. The Community Foundation started in the early 70's with separate Foundations in Elmira & Corning but they merged in 1993 & have grown to what they are today.



#### Officers 2024-2025

President – Mary Schuehler President Elect- Steve Seaberg Vice President – Mark Wayne Secretary – Alison Mandel Treasurer – Joe Klaiber Immediate Past President – Sue Mower

#### **Upcoming Programs:**

Jan 16 – Steve Hughes - United Way Jan 23 – Mark Margeson – LECOM Event Center Jan 30 - TBD

Here's What else you Missed Today.....

50-50:

Pat Blair won the 50/50 of \$7. Pot is at \$211. She didn't draw the King, so the pot continues to grow!

Rays Pay Day:

Lindsey Baker would have won \$10. She wasn't at the meeting so next week it will be \$15.

#### **Upcoming Events**

January 18 - Pick Up Wreaths – Woodlawn -National Cemetery-9am

January 25 – Community Kitchen – Past President's Team – Mike Wayne -Captain

January 26 – Foundation Pancake Breakfast at Applebee's \$10. Tickets are available!

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#### **Happy Dollars**

**Mike Wayne** – for the program and the fact that he served on the scholarship committee for the Community Foundation for 30 years!

**Gordy Schuehler** – for the presentation and for just being happy!

John Peris – for our new member and for the presentation

**Susan Crabtree** - for the program, she got her "clear to close" today and hopefully she is moving tis weekend! Best of luck in your new house!

**T.J. Malone** – had a good Zoom Foundation meeting today and happy for the presentation.

**Kathy Peris** – happy that she finally has an appointment with the neurosurgeon to hopefully get some relief for her back issues. Also, her grand daughter at Edison is a member of the bowing team and her granddaughter's boyfriend recently bowled a 299!

Alison Mandel – for our new member Camille Brock! Happy that she will be taking over the newsletter in a few months. Her job requires a lot of travel now! Also happy for the presentation and a trip to LI tomorrow for a Circle K Board meeting at Long Island University-Post.

Thank You to everyone who worked at the Winter Carnival at the LECOM Event Center – Mike Wayne, Mark Wayne, T.J. Malone, Ron Allison, Steve Mower, Deb Hobler, Susan Crabtree, Pat Blair & Bonnie Sampson, Mike Clark, Dick Pirozzolo, Bill & Joann Evans & Alison Mandel. Tonight, we welcomed new Member Camille Brock! Camille is a Past Key Club Governor, who graduated from Candor High School and Ithaca College. She is currently serving as Associate Director of Development at Ithaca College.

We also have 2 new Key Club Advisors at Elmira High School – Katey McKerrow and Jennifer Gilbert! Hopefully they will be able to attend a meeting sometime to be formally inducted as members!

Welcome Camille, Katey & Jenn!

Every day is a chance to change the A WORLD.

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