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## <u>Doreen Buonadonna – President – 2017-2018</u> Rotary: Making A Difference

The Rotary Club of Pearl River Weekly Meeting

Bulletin for Thursday, August 17, 2017

Rotary Club Of Pearl River

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**Guests:** Lena Warren, pastor of Good Shepherd Church

Birthdays: Chris Kormusis 8/19

Anniversaries: Gene & Marty Erickson 8/21, Kirk & Jennifer Flynn 8/21, Brian & Nancy

Quinn 8/22

Announcements: Lauri Craig is responsible for the September assignments (Pledge, Invocation, Happy Bucks) and she passed out a sign-up sheet (Lauri, I am stealing this great idea next time!). Ed Reynolds' mother-in-law (Jo's mom) passed away at the age of 102, and funeral services were announced for Friday 8/18, 10 am at St. Ann's in Nyack. Mike announced the 10/22 fundraiser at Growler & Gill is on track, guest bartenders are in place, let's get ready to spread the word and raise money for the Club's charitable endeavors! Lisa reminded of the happy hour fellowship event, Tuesday 8/22, 5:30 at Louie's, cash bar, please RSVP to her. Pres. Doreen reminded of the Golf Committee meeting Monday 8/21, 6:30 pm at Louie's, open to all. Next week's program will be Lenny Nathan who will give us an important update on CPR and may even be bringing some new "toys" so don't miss it!





<u>Jokes & Quotes or Fun Facts</u>: Sandy Cokeley read a long joke which I will call "The Divorce". Sorry, you kinda had to be there.....

**Queen of Hearts**: The 10 of spades was pulled (I believe by the "chosen table")

The **FOUR WAY TEST** of things we think, say, and do: 1. Is it the **TRUTH**? 2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned? 3. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**? 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Happy Bucks: Lisa Falone was kind enough to do the honors this week......happy bucks as always for the birthdays and anniversaries, Bob Simon back from his Europe trip, Mike is heading to Colorado next week, George's surgery went well, Sandy finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in her age group in a ½ mile swim, way to go Sandyl.....sad bucks for the passing of Ed Reynolds' mother-in-law.



<u>Program:</u> Past President (and world traveler) Jim Murphy gave the program this week on his favorite (and not so favorite) places to visit in the U.S and Canada. Jim and Peg have now visited all state & provincial capitals that are drivable and don't have polar bears! He talked about road trips he went on in the 1960's and compared to his trips of today. He recalled how different the roads were- lots of two lane roads, hairpin turns and mountain roads. He remembers being able to take out a sleeping bag and camp out in the median! The population has doubled since then and of course lots more highways and byways, so everything is more accessible which is a positive. Interesting fact- some of the top ten cities in 1950 don't even crack the top 50 list today (Cleveland, St. Louis).

Jim listed his top 15 rides/drives he's taken. These include the Blue Ridge Parkway (Virginia/NC- mountain after beautiful mountain), Monterey, CA coastal drive, Black Hills Parkway (S. Dakota), Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia, Rim Road in Yosemite, CA, Yellowstone Circle Drive in the National Park, Lake Louise in Alberta/Canadian Rockies, the Dipsea Trail from Muir Woods to Stinson Beach, CA, a bayou boat ride, Overseas Hwy to Key West, FL, Olympic Nat'l Park (slugs!), Santa Fe to Taos, NM (low road & high road).

Jim also highly recommended: taking a guided tour of Gettysburg, walking across the Golden Gate Bridge, the Lynn Bridge in Vancouver, CA (if you dare), Mt. Rushmore, Halifax, Nova Scotia (Peggy's Cove), Lake Placid NY, La Jolla CA, Custer SD and Woodstock VT.



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Places to "skip", if you will? Some of the big, flat, cities where there isn't much there-Los Angles, Detroit, Houston, Phoenix, Dallas, San Antonio, to name a few. Not y a big fan of Vegas or Biloxi, MS. Thank you for sharing your travel tips Jim, and here's hoping you keep adding to your list of favorite places!



Four Way Test: Hmmmmmm......mea culpa, I give up! Credit to the entire Club.

Bulletin Editor: Doug Ward