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Meeting of October 27th 2016

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The Four Way Test

Is it the truth?

*Is it fair to all
concerned?*

*Will it build good will
and better friendship?*

*Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?*

With a
forceful
bang of
the
gavel,



President Larry brought the meeting to order.

- Pledge- Past President Dorothy



Barbara and Dick Kohlhausen, and Tracy and Doug Ward. Doug led us all in song to celebrate.

- Invocation- Ray Pucci with a very appropriate Buddhist verse
- Anniversaries- Mary and Rob Magrino, Ann and Kevin Nulty,

- Birthdays, Diane Bergman, Barbara Westphal, and Vinnie. Last year Past President George called Barbara to hear us all sing the birthday song for her. George informed us that there was no need for a repeat performance, last year was enough to last Barbara a lifetime.

Announcements-



- President Larry gave us a report of the last Board meeting. Like last year, we donated \$1,000 so some PRHS students would not miss out on the Senior Class trip due to lack of money.
- Nov. 5th- PR Rotary West Point Football Fellowship event. Meet the bus Saturday at 7:30 am at Noonan's. Yes apparently there are actually some people awake at that time on Sat. am. There may still be a couple of tickets left, contact Lisa.
- Nov. 6th District 7210 Rotary Foundation Dinner- Also at West Point. If you are up for the football game already, why not just stay over? The Jeffrey Keahon Award will be given out so we are very pleased that we will be well represented by Past Presidents: Dorothy, Jim Murphy, and Bob Simon as well as Hanns who will be taking the photos. There is always room for a few more if you'd like to attend.
- Nov. 10th- Joint meeting of all Rockland County Rotary Clubs at Prohibition River, Main St., Nyack. ~~Figure 6:30pm~~ but Larry will verify the time. We will still have our regular noon PR Club meeting Aqua T. Nyack President Jo Lore just sent a message 6:00 PM. (Thanks Jo).
- Frank Ripa asked for an additional driver for our Meals on Wheels route and Jim Murphy immediately volunteered. We can always use more so if you can spare an hour once every five weeks or so at 10:30 am, please call Frank.
- Share Christmas & the Holidays- Dec. 8th Floats with characters and visit to the ARC group home. Dec. 9th – Main Event at the Braunsdorf Park, we could use every member of the club that night for help. Dec. 12th- Characters and caroling at the Main St. and Jefferson Ave. group homes. We need characters to fill our costumes, singers (all voices welcome)- lots of fun and very rewarding. See Jim Trojan.

- Dictionary Gifts to Third Graders- this new tradition continues as we travel to local public and private elementary third grade classes to distribute dictionaries while telling the kids about Rotary. We could use a few more volunteers. Guaranteed- you will not be disappointed, but in fact surprised. They quietly listen to the speakers and raise their hands to talk. Larry may bring in Franklin Ave. Principal Maureen teach us those skills. Next visits: Fri. Nov 4th 2pm at Lincoln Ave, Monday Nov. 7th 1:15 at Evans Park, and Neil O'Sullivan will advise our Saint Margarets date. This year the cost of the dictionaries was funded from our PR Rotary Scholarship Foundation. A wise investment in the future of so many young learners.
- Hospice of Rockland and People to People also received generous donations from the Club.

No Eddie money for the Queen of Hearts but Larry and Ann had the cards. The 8 of Clubs was selected so we didn't need the money anyway. Eddie will bring the cards and cash to the next meeting.

Happy Bucks- Jim Trojan (a legendary "Buckbuster") – Lisa says don't be late or you'll miss the bus for the Army vs. Airforce West Point Football game on Saturday. Mike and Carissa will have a romantic getaway at the Finger Lakes. Why is Doug Ward dying his hair blue???? So he will be easier to spot at the NYC Marathon on Nov. 6th. This is Doug's 13th marathon, and he has raised \$13,000 for Autism since his daughter was diagnosed 13 years ago. Go Doug! Mike had a sad buck to relinquish the spot he earned in the marathon due to the recent knee injury. Let's see run a grueling 26 miles or relax in the Finger Lakes? Sounds like a smart knee. Gene and Marty's grandson Jim is now engaged while another is stationed in Korea. World traveler Raj will be in Thailand and Cambodia the finishing his trip in Hong Kong. Lenny announced it was National Beer Day forcing Mike to order a draft to represent the club in a national event no one else ever heard of. Frank and Maureen Neeson are back from a trip



visiting granddaughter Meredith, a soon to be



graduating senior at the University of Delaware. Thursday they are heading to Seattle for a ten day visit with their daughter. Jay reports that Frieda wasn't faking it but ended up at Good Samaritan Hospital Tuesday night with pneumonia. Our wishes to Frieda for a speedy recovery. Jim T. is happy for his Rangers' and Giants' recent victories. Larry has a sad buck for no Cubs tickets. If Larry can't get Cubs tickets there must be none left on the planet.

Program- Doreen brought guest Speaker Mike Foreman to scare us to death about



identity theft. Two years ago it was expected that 2 out of 3 will have their identities stolen. Now everyone should expect it to happen at least once in their lifetime. It takes about 600 hours of work to recover from identity theft. 7,000 children had their social security numbers stolen before they were even born. Yes, they were assigned SS#'s that had already been compromised. Identity crooks have a myriad of ways to steal your personal information. Mike said that someone can just walk past you, like at an airport, and scan information off of the cards you are carrying in your pocket. He suggests wallets with RFID sleeves to shield the cards. Phishing schemes get you to respond to bogus emails and divulge information. Don't believe the name you see in the address "from" field. Hover your mouse pointer over it to reveal the real address, look for HTTPS (especially the "s") for secure sites. Skip any links to your bank or financial site found in email and log in directly instead. If your ID has been stolen you may not find out until you are arrested for something the crook did using your identity. "Guilty until proven innocent" is what you will face warns Mike.

Four Way Test- OK for the life of me I cannot recall who did the Four Way Test. Making it even worse, I was the one who asked them to do it. Suffice to say, that Rotarian did a masterful job and truly inspired the Club to follow those ideals until we

meet next week for our refresher. In a shameless effort to mitigate my memory lapse I can report that the third graders at Franklin Ave. School were treated to the 4 Way Test and that was led by Lauri Craig.

Bulletin Editor this week- Mark G