



**Rotary Club of Pearl River, P.O. Box 252, Pearl River, NY 10965**  
**District 7210 - Region 8 - Zone 32 - Club #4982 - Charter Date December 12, 1935**  
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**George Westphal, President 2014-15**

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##### **The Four Way Test**

*Is it the truth?*

*Is it fair to all*

*concerned?*

December 4, 2014 club meeting called to order at 12:15pm by Pres. George at the Aqua Terra restaurant. Raj lead us in the Pledge followed by Ed Reynolds' invocation. We had one visiting Rotarian Rene from New City and 2 guests our speaker Joe Dalia and his wife PJ.

**Birthdays** this week include Sandy Cokeley and Mary Magrino (thank you Rob for leading us in a wonderful rendition of Happy Birthday. Only 1 anniversary this week: Michelle & Roy Damiani-Powell.

**Announcements:** District Foundation Seminar Jan. 10, 2015 anyone interested in attending please contact Pres. George, Bd. Meeting notes: Bill O'Neil & Raphael Castro resignations accepted, \$1500.00 granted to Dominican Rotaract Club for working trip to El Salvador, proposal to replace aging electronic sign at a cost of \$15,000.00—more discussion needed, signup for club secret santa event Dec. 18, help needed to work on Share Christmas floats at John B's garage at 9AM Dec. 6. Annual Manorah lighting Dec. 18 at 6PM in Braunsdorf Park.

**Queen of Hearts**—Queen of Diamonds drawn by speaker.

**Happy Bucks:** Vinny will be happy to see his barber after share Christmas, Ed Reynolds excited about upcoming Army/Navy game, Evelyn Beckerle happy about son's engagement, Bob Bergman has a new granddaughter, Kate Raffa having "fun" planning sweet 16 party, Lenny Nathan having shoulder surgery tomorrow, Mark Griffith & his band playing in a new location, and lots of happy thanksgivings.

**Program:** Mark introduced Joe Dalia a local celebrity/entertainer. Joe has recorded with RCA records, performed with Dusty Springfield, Richard Belzeer (to name a couple from a long list of artists), and written & performed music for numerous movies & Nova films. Joe provided us with a wonderful "walk down memory lane" relating what it was like to grow up in Pearl River "A Town of Friendly People". Growing up in a family of 13 children there was always lots of other children around usually playing baseball in the field by the house. Joe's musical career began when he was 12 years old when his father purchased a Steinway piano, Joe kept looking at & finally decided this is what he wanted to play thus began his career. He & 3 brothers formed a band and began playing at high schools activities, a couple "gin mills", college tours, etc. When the Muppetts made their first appearance on the Ed Sullivan show it was Joe's music they were performing. In the mid-

70's A&R Studios from NYC open a studio in Blauvelt where current artists and newcomers recorded & auditioned Joe among them. He worked hard and long and has enjoyed much success in the music industry. Joe says it is the "quality of work and the good feeling you have about it: that is important to him.

Thank you Mark for a great program.

#### **Club officers for 2015-16 reported by Chris Kormusis:**

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#### **New Foundation directors 2015-16:**

Don Brenner and Jim Trojan

A unanimous vote for all!!

**Four Way Test:** led by Ed Reynolds