

Rotary Club of Pearl River, P.O. Box 824, Pearl River, NY 10965

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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?

Meeting of April 27, 2017



Pledge- Frank Neeson

Invocation- Bob Craig

Gospel Singer-?? Well it was unscheduled but Eddie Fisher started a chorus. We are not sure of what inspired him but Eddie can be unpredictable.

We had no visiting Rotarians or Guests to welcome.

Birthdays- Jack Madigan, Bob Simon, and George Westphal

Anniversaries- Lisa led the song and told us how she met Steve with a brief rendition of "the baseball story". Happy 5 years Lisa and Steve.

Announcements- The Board has established a 501.c3 charitable

foundation so that donations to our service projects can now be tax deductible.





Tax and Spend President Larry has jacked our dues up \$10 so our club presidents can continue their opulent lifestyle. Seriously though, we need funds to run the club that are separate from our charitable dollars which are only used for international and community service activities. Money from dues and Happy Bucks can be used for any purposed the Board designates, including our charitable projects (just not the other way). The last dues increase was during the reign of

Mark Griffith Jr. As punishment, Mark has been relegated to the job of writing bulletins like this one.

Dues for senior members will be frozen and we may have a reduced rate for new members.

Now that our PR Rotary Scholarship Foundation is fully funded, money raised at the golf outing can be designated either to the Foundation or to other club projects, you will have the choice.

Fundraising Chair Ray Coyle pointed out that if the club wishes to donate funds to other organizations, we will need to keep adding fundraisers so here comes the Kentucky Derby! May 6^{th} at the Hearth & Tap, formerly the Porterhouse, formerly MacDonald's Steak house.

Doreen asks that everyone check their Directory listing info (formerly the Roster), complete the club interest survey, let her know what committees you want to join, and don't forget the Installation Dinner on June 24^{th} . Larry reported that we are donating our unneeded Soap Box Derby cars, parts, gear, and related equipment to a Club in New Hampshire who would like to start races in their town. Any kids interested in Soap Box locally are permitted to attend races in other nearby towns. Fishing Contest 6/10 with a 6/17 rain date.

Queen of Hearts- 9 of Hearts was selected so the pot grows bigger.

Happy Bucks handled by Michelle-



Many happy bucks for the Defiant Brewery Guest Bartender Fundraiser. If you weren't there you also missed the body builder with the long blond hair who sported an uncanny resemblance to Vice President Mike Seidenfrau. Our Club was tops in fundraising from several that joined in the fun for a good cause. Frank Ripa advises that Scholarship Applications are now available and one was received from a participant in the Rotaract El Salvador project. Kate's daughter will be attending Geneseo College in the fall. A great school and Angelo & Kate are very proud. Kirk was especially "happy to be here".

Program- Ryan O'Gorman and The Rotary Foundation



If you don't know about MyRotary.org then you probably don't know you can set up monthly automatic recurring payments into the RI Foundation. Ryan points out that just \$8.33/mo will get you to that magic \$100 per year donation that Rotary is encouraging for each member in the world. Foundation Co-chair Bob Craig told us that Art Klumpf made the first donation to the foundations 100 years ago with a donation of \$26.50. After signing up (Ryan can help you log in for the first time) you can track your donations over the years and see how close you are to earning a Paul Harris Fellowship. Jim Murphy pointed out some excellent

stories in the Rotarian Magazine telling about successful worldwide projects. "Not just what they did" said Jim "but how they did it". Ryan, Dorothy, Ed Fisher, Jaya, and Jim Murphy have all traveled to far parts of the globe to personally participate in projects promoting Health, ending Hunger, and Humanities needs.

Four Way Test- Lynne

Bulletin editor this week- Mark G.