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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 May 14, 2015 Aqua Terra Grille

**Pledge:** Mark Griffith, Jr. **Invocation:** President George

Guests: Juan Santana; Kevin Nulty brought PO Michael Kopunek, Sgt. Anthony

Palazolo, Capt. Donald Butterworth, and Major Reagan (NYSP)

**Visiting Rotarians:** None **Birthdays:** Bob Craig – 5/20

**Anniversaries:** Ed & Suzanne Grant – 5/15

**Announcements:** President George thanked President-Elect Dorothy Filorama for leading the club through last week's lunch meeting.

Carol McGrath invited members to join her for the club's annual Spring planting around the clock in Braunsdorf Park this Sat., 5/17 at 9:30 a.m.

John Buonadonna announced that car inspections for the Soap Box Race will be held on Sun., 5/31 at 8 a.m.

Ray Coyle announced that our club netted \$1040.00 at our Kentucky Derby fundraiser this year. There were five lucky winners. 60% of the donations came from non-members.

Sun., 6/14 – Dorothy's Installation Dinner at The Old Tappan Manor, \$85pp, includes open bar.

Reminder: Evening make-up meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. of every month. Tonight's meeting is scheduled for 6pm at Aqua Terra.

**Queen of Hearts:** Andy Marchfeld did the honors in Ed Fisher's absence. John Buonadonna picked the six of clubs for his table. The pot grows.

**Happy \$:** Jim Murphy kindly collected for the club today. There were many happy \$ for Bob's birthday; Ed & Suzanne's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary; the Rangers; the weather; and golf. Suzanne gave Ed \$50 from her Derby winnings to put in the pot for the 50 wonderful years they have had together<sup>⊕</sup>. Welcome & thankful \$ to our guests. Chris Kormusis feels quite bad, I believe, for demanding that his wife, Karen, get to the shop early on Mom's Day/her birthday. He also had 21<sup>st</sup> birthday \$ for his twin girls. Mike Seidenfrau is happy that his race day will soon be over. Rob Magrino was happy for the success of the Jay Shepard Memorial Golf Outing. Dorothy was happy

to attend the District Assembly along with Bob C., Juan, & Ray Bahar. Ray B. is happy to have a new grandson. Frank Ripa announced that the scholarship recipients will be decided on Mon. Kevin Nulty had thankful \$ for his guests and the commitment they show to the community through their hard work.

Program: Presented by our own Kevin Nulty, Chief of Police, Town of Orangetown In 1962, President John F. Kennedy declared May 15 as National Peace Officer Memorial Day and the week containing May 15 as National Police Week. In honor of National Police Week, Kevin brought guests with a range of experience in law enforcement. Each spoke personally of the changes he has witnessed over the course of his career. Since 9/11, law enforcement agencies have been working together to counter threats. Terrorism has impacted the way officers are trained and has forced a change in the type and amount of weaponry officers carry. Students and faculty are more receptive to working with the school resource officer to ensure a safe environment. Education has also changed the way police deal with domestic violence; drug abuse; and mental health issues. Technology and social media have further effected the way officers solve crimes; assist victims; and address community concerns. Kevin notes that, given recent social justice issues, the police must do more than protect and serve. Law enforcement officials are dealing with difficult tasks. Having served in the department for 40 years, Kevin stressed the importance of working "in partnership with the community." He is grateful to be part of a community that supports its police department. Thank you to Kevin and our guests for all you do!

**Four-Way Test:** Jim Murphy **Submitted by:** Carol McGrath