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## Rotary Bulletin Of: May 25th 2017

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<u>The Four Way Test</u> 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? Pledge- Andy

Invocation- Carl Landgren

**Guests**- Steve Heubeck, guest of Kevin Nulty

Visiting Rotarians- Kevin Hardy, New City Rotary





Birthdays- Ann Taylor



Queen of Hearts- Neil O'Sullivan



Announcements- We were sad to learn of the passing of Don Brenner's oldest



sister and Honorary Member PDG Bunnee Webb this past week.

Treasurer, and soon to be Secretary, Doug asks all to please send in your dues as we must pay Rotary International by July 1. Funds are particularly scarce at the beginning of a club year before our fundraisers: \$185 (includes the \$10 RI dues increase). Make payable to Rotary Club of Pearl River and send to PO Box 824, Pearl River NY 10965.

May 28<sup>th</sup>- Past President Carol is leading the Braunsdorf Park

planting at 9:30am on Sunday. Bring your gloves and a trowel.

Jim Murphy reminds us it is Rotary Foundation time. You should have received an email or a letter. Make checks payable to Rotary Foundation of RI and you might want to add \$26.51 to whatever you planned. That's the amout of the very first RI donation.

June 4<sup>th</sup>- Free CPR training at the Palisades Center Mall 1-7. Thanks to Lenny.

**June 10<sup>th</sup>-** Fishing Contest, please pick a time to help out. Joe Beckerle is circulating the sign-up sheet or just give him a call.

June 14<sup>th</sup>- Ray Hayes Golf outing at Blue Hill. \$125, no lunch but dinner is at Louies that night.

**July 13<sup>th</sup>-** Contact Lenny to get 2 Boulders Tickets and a handfull of 50/50 chances to benefit Meals on Wheels.

Kevin Nulty presented Steve Heubeck "I like catching back robbers!" with a certficate of



appreciation at the meeting. Steve retired from the FBI in 1999 for two short days and went right back to work serving as Director of the Rockland County Police Academy.

Frank Neeson presented Chris Kormusis with another Paul Harris

Fellowship pin for his continued financial support of the RI Foundation.



## Happy Bucks- Kate Raffa

Many sad bucks for Don's sister and Bunnee Webb but also memories of good times. Bunnee was the first woman District Governor of our District 7210 sporting the license plate "EVE 7210". Secretary Mike will soon be celebrating his anniversary at the same place he and Carissa celebrated a year ago. Neil O'Sullivan, who with his staff handles the massive job of updating events on the Club's electronic bulletin board, was happy to see us all. Of course, so was Kirk Flynn but we expected that. Lenny and Bob Simon recalled the many times they served as Bunnee's driver bringing her to and from Rotary events when she could no longer drive. Now on the Scholarship Selection Committee, Jim Murphy marvels at all the work the Frank Ripa does to make the process work so well. Ed Reynolds is driving to Florida, then Maryland, then Deleware to attend 6 HS and college graduations for his grandchildren. Ray took his vintage Corvette out of the garage as was surprised that not only did it start but the brakes worked too. Many pedestrians were happy too, Ray. Joe B. announced that his daughter's team won the Section 1 State lacrosse championship.



Program- "Things you could never imagine about Ray Pucci" by Ray Pucci.

Ray started out by reminding usRyan O'Gorman made the point that there is so much we don't know about the fellow Rotarians sitting right next to us. If you missed the meeting you'll just have to see Ray for the details. Some tidbits include stories of how old time Rotarian Jake Wexler came to his mother's defense, how a \$500 scholarship (big money in 1966) enabled him to attend Syracuse University, and why two mysterious men in a Cadillac, with bad intentions, were waiting for him outside his home (hint- a neighbor tipped him off and two Orangetown PD squad cars soon arrived on the scene). We also learned the truth of the actual cause of the serious accident that almost cost the life of comedian Tracy Morgan and what is so dangerous about Bakkan crude. Ray's program was fascinating and we kept him

overtime just to hear more. Larry told us he was fine staying as it was raining and he had no tee time. Thanks Ray!

4 Way Test- Jim Shepard

Bulletin Editor- Mark G



Newest Paul Harris Fellow, Chris Kormusis and Neil O'Sullivan, Electronic Bulletin Board Committee Chair.