

Rotary Club of Pearl River, P.O. Box 824, Pearl River, NY 10965 District 7210 - Region 8 - Zone 32 - Club #4982 - Charter Date December 12, 1935 www.rotaryclubofpearlriver.org Dorothy Filoramo, President 2015-16

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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?

MEETING OF July 16, 2015 at Aqua Terra

Pledge: Frank Perri **Invocation**: Barbara Kohlhausen



Guests: Former First Lady Barbara Westphal

Birthdays: Simin Shifteh, Marty Erickson, and Kirk Flynn

Announcements: Club picnic has been rescheduled and relocated to John and Doreen's at 1pm but I could not catch the date. Call John. Bonnie sent around notice of a fundraiser with TD Bank, approved by the Community Service Committee. See

Bonnie if you did not get the email with details. Jim Murphy, as RI Foundation chair reports we have collected over \$10,000 this year. If the 6 remaining Rotarians donate \$25 or more we will have succeeded in having every Rotarian in the club make a donation this year as part of the EREY drive (Every Rotarian Every Year). Doreen reports that a number of clubs have adopted additional evening meetings for makeups. Ours has been moved to the last Thursday of the month, 6pm at Noonan's annex.



Special Paul Harris Fellow Recognition- Brian Quinn and Frank Neeson were honored for their ongoing contributions to the Rotary Foundation. Both received the traditional sapphires for additional contributions of \$1,000 each. The Foundation is responsible for the success of Rotary on both an international and local level. This year our club is applying to the District and RI for a grant to fund a service project

with our Rotaract Club and Spring Valley Rotary joining us. Barbara says the West Point boat trip is full! Jim Trojan brought the good news that this year's Ed Bouton Golf Outing raised \$27,224 for our scholarship foundation that awarded \$60,000 this year in scholarships. Start planning your foursomes and tee sponsorships now.

Queen of Hearts: The pot stood at \$965 but Nancy and Brian picked the Ace of Diamonds bringing us



down to 12 cards next week. The pot grows and the odds get even better.

Happy Bucks: Bob Simon volunteered to put his receiver of taxes expertise to work by circulating the basket. Many were happy to see Rick Irizarry while others chided him

for not bringing Joyce with him. Jim Murphy's nephew and husband tied the knot on the very day the Supreme Court gave its blessing for same sex marriage. Congratulations! George has his twin granddaughters staying at his house for a month and they are living it up learning to sail at the Nyack Boat Club. Raj enjoyed an extended family get together by renting a house in Rhinebeck. Ed Reynolds' grandson got a job at Apple and "is actually getting paid". Mike Seidenfrau has taken the reins of the Women's Posting Race with great success. Art Matrisciani, reflecting back on 50 years in Rotary can't "think of anything I'd enjoy more" than the experiences and friendships brought through the Pearl River club. Dorothy visited Kate and Angelo on Wednesday. She describes Kate as a "Woman of Courage" and praises Angelo for his amazing spirit, as both move upwards on the road to recovery.

Program: Mike Seidenfrau brought us Sherry Fine, founder of Living Water Centre USA. Sherry, daughter



of long time North Rockland Rotarian and Paul Harris Fellow, Jack Fine, spoke of her work in Tanzania, Kenya, and other African nations battling malaria, HIV/AIDS, child neglect, and abuse. Sherry started as a teacher, school psychologist, principal, and then on to the Peace Corps in Jamaica. A devastating earthquake brought Sherry to Haiti, before she began her work with Living Water Center in Tanzania. She described the terrible hardships suffered by children in Africa and how her NGO is trying to make a difference. To help or learn more, go to http://www.livingwaterchildren.org/. Thank you Sherry and Michael for such a moving program.

Four Way Test: Ramin Bahar

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