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Pearl River Rotary Club Meeting --- Date: September 12, 2013
The Meeting was held at “The Greenhouse Cafe” -- Pearl River, N.Y.

Pledge: The Entire Club **Invocation:** Dr. Edward Fisher who in his prayer described his visit with **Jeffrey** at the Raso Hospice Residence. Dr. Ed also asked the club to reflect on all the good times, deeds and lives of all of our former Rotarians, and our family by revisiting the “**Dash**” between the birth-date and the ending-date of a persons’ life with a special thought for the “**Time-in-Between**”. The dash reflects the entire living life of our special loved one’s and friends which should be an inspiration for all of us to contemplate. The “**Dash**” is the happy memories of our times with these people including “Our Rotarians” who we have served with and have had the enjoyment of their company. Those are the memories we should always reflect on when faced with any vision or document in the future with the “**Dash**” of a described life. In the case of “Our” Jeffrey, even while he is resting, we all can remember the enormous energy, comedy, dedication and perseverance he brought to the Pearl River Rotary. We as a United Group ask God to provide us with a small “**Miracle**” and deliver Jeffrey back to our Club so he can continue his dash of life for a little longer to serve in the Pearl River Rotary Club. A Special, “Thank You”, to Dr Ed for bringing this insight and reminder, of when viewing a “**Dash**”, to always remind ourselves to remember the positive thoughts of our experiences with friends and family.

Visiting Rotarians: None **Guests:** None

Birthdays: Sept 12th – Larry Smith, Sept 16th – Bunnie Webb, Sept 18th – Peg Murphy. **Special Note:** with the excitement & noise in the room, the editor apologizes for any missed statements of birthdays. Sitting between Andy & Jay, it is hard to have the silence to hear anything while they discuss, argue, chastise, and bloviate on all topics of discussion. Past President John had a year break, to serve at the podium, and his hearing came back to normal. Dr. Ed, Dr. Tony & assorted Guests all have emotional stress conditions & hearing loss issues from the noisy experiences at this table.

Anniversaries: El Presidente Jim & 1st Lady Peg Murphy

Announcements: No Day Meeting 9/19 @ Greenhouse next week due to Rotary Scholarship Event, but Dinner Only for Outing is available. See Jim Shepard or Gibby Sweet for info !

Special Award Ceremony: A special award is given to those individuals who complete the **100% Attendance Requirements** for this award and are to be recognized by this achievement. The following members achieved this goal: Jaya, Doreen, Past Pres. Johnny,

The **FOUR WAY TEST** of things we think, say, and do: 1. Is it the **TRUTH**? 2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned? 3. Will it build **GOOD WILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**? 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Bill O, Dorothy, Dr. Ed, Mark G, Jeffrey, Hans, Barbara, Andy, Carol, Pres. Jim, Frank, Jim Shep., Bob S, Jim T., and here's Georgie. A Noise disclaimer & Humble apology as stated previously, if anyone was omitted !

Gibby Sweet reported on the upcoming Pearl River Rotary --- **Ed Bouton Scholarship Golf Event** which is being held next Thursday "September 19th". He, **Jim Trojan** and **Jim Shepard** with the support of a dedicated committee gave the logistics of players and times. He also discussed any important details of special note.

Fundraising Committee – Report given by Chairperson **Larry Vergine** on the Monday Night Football Rotary "**Point Program**" and the total support given by the club for this venture. He also announced the distinguished leaders in the various NFL categories. Well Done Larry and continued Good Luck to those in the future!

Queen of Hearts: The "**Ladies Table**" breaks through again, but does not cash in on the luck of the draw. But they are all **Aces in our Hearts!**

Happy Bucks: The top of everyone's Happy Bucks list is the **Hopeful** dollars for Jeffrey's comfort and possible remission of his condition. He, Angela and his family are in our entire Club's prayers. **Happy** Bucks for the above stated Birthdays and the Presidential Anniversary date. **Prayerful** Dollars for our Men & Women in the armed forces, who still serve in harm's way, in protecting our many personal freedoms. **Remember 9-11** Bucks for the lost loved ones' and friends who died on that tragic day. Special remembrances and prayers to those families still coping with the loss suffered on that special date.

Program: Introduction of a new member and his mini-biography. New Member Michael Seidenfrau took the podium and provided the assembled group with a brief insight into his life and occupation. His classification is as a financial advisor and he makes his home in New City. His biography includes a start at the accounting firm of Deloitte & Touche as an auditor of financial accounting. He then moved on to Prudential Securities in the same responsibility in the financial accounting group. In auditing group, Michael noted and warned of various inadequate accurate financial reporting of off-balance sheet mortgage/financial transactions. These descriptions and variances by many high level banks and financial groups led to the economic crisis in the summer of 2008. Michael currently serving with Morgan Stanley is 42 yrs old and has 2 great children from a previous marriage. He currently is in excellent health, despite having a miracle like recovery from a tragic bicycle accident. This near death experience and subsequent survival of this accident set him on a path to a healthier athletic lifestyle that includes rigorous exercise workouts and a running schedule that also acts as a great therapeutic total recovery program. Michael has also turned his new intensity for life, towards helping charitable groups/functions and also provides an important leadership role to those causes in making the world a better place. Michael with his past service and leadership qualities will make the Pearl River Rotary Club an even better service club in the future. Welcome to our wonderful, lovable, charismatic, personable group of dedicated service orientated Rotarians.

Four Way Test: Peter Bellhouse

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