

Rotary Club of Pearl River, P.O. Box 252, Pearl River, NY 10965 District 7210 - Region 8 - Zone 32 - Club #4982 - Charter Date December 12, 1935

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## "Reach Within to Enhance Humanity"

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Ex Officio PDG Jeffrey Keahon Rotary Night Time Meeting Greenhouse Cafe - Pearl River, New York Date: 12-29-2011 5th Thursday of the Month



Program- Everything About Beer But Afraid to Ask- Neill Acer

Pledge: Nancy

Invocation: Jim Murphy

Visiting Rotarians: Lovely PDG Bunnee

Guests: Angela- Guest of Jeffrey, Chuck- President Carol's main squeeze, Barbara hosted Dick, George escorted Barbara, Peg- guest of Jim Murphy, Miriam- guest of Ronnie and Maureen Greely- guest of Mark.

Birthdays: Judy Chesler

## **Announcements:**

Jan 4th- Fellowship at Louie's on the Ave. No admission, no sign up, just pay as you go.

Jan 10<sup>th</sup>- Board Meeting at Hann's home. 6:30pm please RSVP to Hanns Jan 18<sup>th</sup>- Jim Shepard's Annual Hysterical Re-gifting Party. Benefits to Polio-plus. 6pm Greenhouse Café

Rotary Challenge: The gold coin answer was Don Carter and Community Service. The turning point when Rotary went from a "buy from me" business group to a "Service Above Self" humanitarian organization.



Happy/Sad Bucks: Lori and Don got the chance to host their grandchildren at Christmas for the first time. Sad bucks for the loss of Jeffry's sister and Gibby's mom this past week.

Program: Neill Acer- Brewmaster & General Assistant for anything that needs to be done- Tom Woods from Defiant Brewery- Pearl River In this sequel to Neill's last program on his specialty subject- brewing of lagers and ales, we learned more about the origins of beer, making of various types and favors but best of all Neil brought along samples. We enjoyed many including but not limited to, Anchor Brewing Company Christmas Ale, Delirium Noel, Sierra Nevada (spicy citrus) and my favorite Mad Elf. Hint to weight watchers- Guinness has only 125 calories, gets its dark color from roasting, and fills you up. A dieter's delight! Light beer should be fresh, Euopean beer is generally 5% alcohol, standard US beer is 3.5% but some varieties can go up to 12% at microbreweries like Defiant. As plant seeds, barley begins to germinate but add heat and the process changes to produce malt. In the early ages, to avoid higher cost, cheaper ingredients, like Juniper were substituted and then added to Thanks Neill.

Four Way Test: Andy led us from memory without facing the banner. Show off!



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