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ROTARY MEETING

Date: Greenhouse Café, Pearl River, New York
January 31, 2013



Meeting opened by President-Elect Jim in the absence of President John who is in sick bay.

Invocation: First Lady Doreen Buonadonna

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests: Steve Porath (guest of Brian Quinn); Jennifer Spadaccini (guest of Chief Nulty); Andrew O'Rourke, Daniel Marey, Brian Conybeare (guest speaker of Raphael Castro)



Birthdays:

Anjan Bhattacharyya 2/1; Mike Fury 2/1; Roy Powell 2/7

Anniversaries: Gita and Raj Mehta 2/4

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?

Announcements: *Valentine's Brunch at Restaurant on February 17th, noontime. Grab your valentine while there is still time. \$50./each. Checks preferred. See Past President Carol.

* New Members Fellowship tonight 1/31 at the house of Chris Kormusis.

Super Bowl Party: Ray Coyle reported all boxes sold. Great job Ray!

Dictionary Project: Lauri Craig said dictionaries were brought to Evans Park, Franklin Avenue and Lincoln Avenue elementary schools. They will bring them to St. Margaret School on February 4th. Great job Lauri for putting the Dictionary Project together!

Queen of Hearts: Raj picked Jack of Hearts. Sorry Pat – maybe next time.

Happy Bucks: (Cesar Tejeda did the honors).

For thee birthdays, Super Bowl, our troops, our guests, Nancy Bergerman being elected Marine Corp. Auxiliary President, PDG Jeffrey feeling younger bucks and you did it too, Past President Carol's son Sean's 24th birthday, PDG Jeffrey proud bucks that the T.Z. Bridge was built for Keahon concrete. Happy Bucks from Jim Trojan for the donation of \$1,075. to the Scholarship Foundation from our members in memory of Ron Beckerle.

Anniversary Bucks for Gita and Raj.



Program: Brian Conybeare, courtesy of Raphael Castro. Brian was a former news anchor for News12 which broadcasts local news here in the Hudson Valley. He was appointed special assistant to the Governor by Governor Cuomo to oversee the construction of the new Tappan Zee Bridge. On December 17, 2012 the New York State Authority awarded a



\$3.1 billion construction contract to Tappan Zee Constructors, that will be a joint venture of Fluor Enterprises, Inc., American Bridge Co., Granite Construction Northeast Inc. and Traylor Inc. Construction will take five years to be built, to be completed in 2018. When completed it will have eight traffic lanes, four breakdown emergency lanes, bike And pedestrian path and trail and bus rapid transit- and yes, it will be 100 years before any major repair is needed. It was a great program of a timely issue. President-Elect Jim thanked Brian and his associates Andrew O'Rourke, Director of the T.Z. Project Information Officer and Daniel Marey, Communications Relations Specialist, T.Z. Project for being here today.

Four Way Test: Jim Shepard