



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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CAROL McGRATH - President - 2011-2012 **"Reach Within to Embrace Humanity"**

The Rotary Club of Pearl River Rotary Meeting
Greenhouse Cafe - Pearl River, New York Date: June 28, 2012

Rotary Club
Of
Pearl River

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PDG Jeffrey
Keahon

President Carol McGrath opened her final **Presidential Administration** meeting precisely **@ 12:15 pm**

Pledge: Sandy Cokeley-Stewart **Invocation:** Dr. Ed Fisher

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests: Chuck McGrath of our President & Bob Zuppe of Larry Vergine

Birthdays: July 03rd – Art Matrisciani -- “Our beloved Veteran”

Anniversaries: None! Admitted to at this time by Secretary George Westphal

Announcements: President Carol thanked the entire club for the support she has received in accomplishing the many projects that the club had undertaken. **Pres. Carol** also paid tribute to her entire administration of dedicated Board Members who cooperated and completed all designated Rotary Programs.

- 1) Every Rotarian Every Year – EREY – Program through the Pearl River Club is #1 in donations for our district.
- 2) June 30th -- Installation of the New President Elect --John “Badda Bing” Buonadonna and the Installation of Officers ceremony for the 2012-2013 year.
- 3) Great Celebratory Response from the Children of Haiti for the \$1,000k PR Rotary Club Donation for their school tables and chairs.
- 4) Wine was served to celebrate the wonderful accomplishments of our Pearl River Rotary Projects that were completed in the past year.

Queen of Hearts: The Lady is still safe and sound! No winner!

Happy Bucks:

Many Happy Dollars -- For the PR Rotary Club as a whole and for the entire dedication of all members who accomplished all established goals for the 2011-2012 year.

Prayer Dollars -- Were given for the people of Colorado in the loss of their homes which were being affected by the raging Wild Fires.

Celebratory Dollars -- For the PR Rotary Club and its' reaching to **New Horizons** by coordinating with other community Organizations to accomplish projects.

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?

Happy Dollars – To the PR Club's great member participation in the EREY Program that benefits all International Club Projects as well as the PR Rotary in the application for Grants.

Coordination Bucks – For the Board of Directors complete cooperation in the local events.

Program:

Past District Governor “Our Own” Jeffrey Keahon discusses the **EREY (Every Rotarian Every Year) Annual Donation Project.**

The annual donation from this year's PR Club drive was in excess of **\$ 12,000k dollars.**

Where does the Donation Dollars Go! 1) Peace & Cooperation among Nations. 2) Disease Prevention. 3) Clean Water Projects. 4) Maternal and Childcare Help. 5) Improve Basic Education & Literacy. 6) Economic & Community Development.

The major public forum in the beginning that was developed by Rotary International was the eradication of Polio throughout the world. To that end RI has extended that program to eradicate all diseases, (ex. Malaria) by providing vaccinating services to those countries in need. **Special Note** for the Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarships which has issued over **21,000k** total scholarships that provides further needed education that benefits the entire world. Rotary International has always provided special assistance to the United Nations in the initial set-up of the organization and also provides special assistance in conflict resolution.

The current make-up of Rotary International is over **34,000k** individual clubs located in over 165 countries. Jeffrey praised the PR Club participation in all International and local community programs an example of the amazing success is the issuance of **20 College Scholarships @ \$2,000** each awarded to deserving PR School District students(**totaling \$40,000k dollars**) for the 2012 program. The entire scholarship foundation has over **\$438,000k** in its account for the future issuance of Rotarian scholarships. **A bright future indeed!**

Jeffrey “Thanked” the entire club membership for the support of all of the Rotary International and local PR Club projects.

Four Way Test – Given by Mr. Jay (The master of ceremonies at the Installation Dinner) Helman.

Special Installation Dinner Note:

The entire event was enjoyed by all with all costume attire enhancing the true attitude of some of our Rotarian Members. The election of all New Officer's and Board of Director's positions for the 2012-2013 year was completed and installed under the Presidency of **Mr. John Buonadonna & 1st Lady Doreen.**

All Rotarians applauded the fantastic performance of **President Carol McGrath & 1st Man/Dude Chuck** along with her entire dedicated group of Officer's on their accomplishments for the year.

The annual designated **“Paul Harris Service Award”** which is issued by the entire Pearl River Club for exceptional “Club Service” was awarded to a teary eyed Rotarian by the name of **Mr. James Edward Shepard.**

That deserving presentation ended the official part of the wonderful evening and the Texas line-dancing and partying consumed the rest of the night.

Thank You to all for “A” **Memorable Evening!** Love and Health to all of the dedicated & deserving Rotarians along with their lovely wives, family & friends!

God Bless America! & God bless the Rotary Club Members & Family of Pearl River.

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