



Rotary Club of Pearl River, P.O. Box 252, Pearl River, NY 10965
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Rotary Meeting

Greenhouse Cafe - Pearl River, New York

Date: October 18th 2012

Pledge: Ed

Invocation: Jay

Visiting Rotarians: Ted Lindenberg

Guests: Ray Coyle brought Don Tharkelson, Jim Shepard's guest was Frank Perri, and Jeffrey brought Doug S. Ward (former member Stan Ward's son)

Birthdays: Angela Mattei and Barbara Westphal.

Anniversaries: Ann and Clyde Taylor

Announcements:

Halloween Party- moved to John & Doreen's. Sat 10/27

Board Meeting Report- please get dues in to Dorothy and join the other 50% who have already paid. Attendance score sheet- the Board is looking at attendance and activities for all members. Not only do they care how often you have lunch but what you contribute in time and effort. Minimum attendance is 50% of meetings (including make-ups) in a 6 month period. Online make-ups are now available. Club activities such as committee meetings, Meals on Wheels, Fundraising, Fellowship, and Community Service Events, etc. all count. Make-up cards are nice but not necessary, we are on the honor system, just shoot Secretary Dorothy an email. Note: RI rules count it as a make-up if you go to another club, at their regular date and time, and they for some reason are not meeting.

11/11- 11am Rotary Foundation Luncheon at West Point with a breathtaking view of the Hudson from the George Washington Ballroom,

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?

Hotel Thayer. \$55 each with a special discount price of \$35 for all veterans. See Jeffrey to sign up. The Club will be receiving several awards so we need at least one, if not two tables filled by Pearl River. Meals on Wheels- Frank is setting up next year's schedule. Frank Ripa will assume current drivers are continuing unless he hears from you and we can always use new drivers. It only takes about 45 minutes once every 4-5 weeks or so. This is a great activity guaranteed to help others and make you feel young at the same time.

Fundraising Football Pool- Larry reports the latest winners were Chris Connor- \$1,050 and Carl Landgren \$350.

Eddie Fisher thanked the club our advertising support for Hospice of Rockland as they honored him.

Bob Zuppe collected for the Any K foundation. All funds go straight to help sick children with no administration fees taken out. See Bob to help or participate in their next event on 11/13 at the PR Elks.

11/29- 6pm Louies on the A- Next Share Christmas & The Holidays Meeting.

Queen of Hearts: Ray Coyle's guest Don pulled the five of diamonds but the table didn't care. "Wait until the pot gets bigger".

Happy Bucks: Brian Doyle- Many care and concern bucks for Angela and Michelle. Jim Trojan is celebrating his 35th year in PR Rotary. Gene continues to serve as a referee for the Special Olympics although he's not as quick on his feet as he used to be. Nancy's granddaughter is attending Fordham on a scholarship and got in under early admission. Carl sent his \$350 winnings to the Rotary Scholarship foundation. Visiting Rotarian Ted Lindenberg invites us to go to the Lakewood Ranch Rotary Winefest website and look up Rotary info. to find out more about the event or contact him at stlind88@aol.com.

Jonathan Levitt thanks the Club for all the support he has received.

Program: October- Vocational Service Month



Doreen asked three of our members to come up and tell us a bit about themselves.

Jonathan Bellush spoke about his work as a chemical engineer at Pfizer describing a drug they have developed to treat Lymphoma. With a single dose priced at \$10,000 the company anticipates sales of \$2.4 billion/yr. Two other new drugs are in the development pipeline, with possibly a third. Bringing a drug to market, after



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trials have proven it effective takes 6 ½ to 7 years due to strict international drug testing requirements.

George Westphal attended Manhattan Aviation College and landed his first job at Flushing Airport earning \$1.05 and hour. He later joined the Air National Guard and their Jet Engine School. In 1965 was hired by Nice-Pak where he put his engineering skills to work designing and building machinery.



Jim
Murphy's
insurance
career was

quite different from the other agents in the club. Jim was involved with Fortune 500 companies that were often larger than the insurance companies themselves and gave us a behind the scenes look of how that is accomplished. Jim was working for Global mega insurance broker Willis in

New York at the time of 9/11, not far from the scene of that tragedy. Jim's company had placed the insurance for the World Trade Center.



Fearing that the Club's limit on guys talking insurance per meeting is about one, fellow insurance man Bob Zuppe wisely decided to speak about basketball. He told an interesting story about his father Bobby Zuppe and Lew Alcindor (better known as Kareem Abdul Jabar). Kareem was playing for Coach Jack Donohue at Power Memorial Academy in the Bronx when, as a freshman

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he met varsity basketball standout Bobby Zuppe our own Bob's father. Jabar himself gives credit to Bobby for teaching him his infamous and deadly "skyhook". Son Bob is also active with basket ball (and other service side, Bob was inducted into the Don Bosco Hall of Fame for his work matching Bosco alumni with high school seniors for career counseling.

Four Way Test: Jonathan Bellush

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