

**December 11, 2007**

**Important Note #1 - MEETING NOTICE - NOT!!**

The year end holiday season has dealt us a calendar anomaly that means we will miss two weeks of meetings in a row. There is **no meeting Tuesday December 25, 2007**

(Christmas Day) and there will be **no meeting Tuesday January 1, 2008** (New Years Day).

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**Important Note #2 - Christmas Holiday Party! ~~Sunday December 16, 2007~~ IS HISTORY - John & Meryle King**

played host at their home in Remsenburg for our annual **Rotary Christmas Holiday Party**. Festivities began at 3:30 PM. If you signed up but did not show up or cancel in time you are obligated to pay because we are charged accordingly. A lot of people did show up (80+) and the **King** household is only a little worse or the wear. And, if truth be told we now know that when a tree falls *in* the house if you're there you'll hear it!!

**Important Note #3 - Christmas Holiday Basket Distribution! Gordon Werner** announced the annual **Christmas Holiday Basket Distribution** will be Thursday, **December 20, 2007** at 9:00 AM at the *Immaculate Conception Parish Hall*. We expect a large number of Westhampton Rotarians to turn out for this so please don't disappoint us. The payback is extraordinary and is one of the most rewarding things Rotarians do. If you've never done it please ask someone in our club who is experienced to work with you for the first time.

And, we finished our holiday bell ringing for the *Salvation Army* this past Saturday December 15th. There were two full crews working at *Waldbaum's* in Westhampton Beach and at the *King Kullen* In Manorville in a competition to see which location could produce the most bucks. Some members of these different crews have used "Unusual" tactics in the past to help fill those red kettles but the weather was so cold and the wind so strong that we had to forego the *bikini contest* originally scheduled for Manorville at 1:00 PM. That probably really hurt our total!

Prexy **Hugh Merle** announced that our favorite *WFAN* sports broadcaster **Ann Liguori** will be doing the play-by-play announcing at our March 14th appearance of the *Harlem Wizards* basketball team. **Ann** will also be hosting a book signing at our *Spaghetti Dinner* on February 10th.

**Elsie Acevedo** played Sergeant today and tested our lore and knowledge of the myths and traditions surrounding the Christmas Holiday season. Our table did just great. We knew the answers to all the questions that **Elsie** asked everyone else. However, when she turned her attention to our lunch grouping we faltered and could not recall with any accuracy just what the heck the correct gift was, according to the song, for the ninth day of Christmas. Now isn't that annoying. I'll bet just about everyone in the club has heard and sung that song about a jillion times but when push came to shove there was this collective amnesia that set in over our corner. *Bah- Humbug!!*

Sergeant **Elsie** watched over the ♠ *Ace of Spades* ♠ card pull (now worth \$551.00) but **Gwenn Ramage**, took the \$25.00 in cash, **Rev. Joe Mirro** hit the 10 of spades and **John de la Fuente** found the last missing joker for a \$50.00 payout.

**THE SERGEANT SCHEDULE!** If you need to make a change - find a substitute and notify **Sharon Abbondonelo**.

Dec 18 — <b>Tom Otis</b>	Dec 25 — <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	Jan 1 — <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR</b>
Jan 8 — <b>Jim Fogarty</b>	Jan 15 — <b>Denis Yuen</b>	Jan 22 — <b>Jim Hulme</b>

**ATTENDANCE** — If you need to make a change **YOU** must find a substitute and notify **Mike Jacobs**.

Dec 18 — <b>Jerry Collins</b>	Dec 25 — <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b>	Jan 1 — <b>HAPPY NEW YEAR</b>
Jan 8 — <b>Jim Fogarty</b>	Jan 17 — <b>Ken Frankman</b>	Jan 22 — <b>Clint Greenbaum</b>