

March 25, 2008

SURPRIZE!!! **The Patio Is Still Closed - MEETING LOCATION TEMPORARY CHANGE. APRIL 1st.**

The Patio is **STILL** closed for this date and the good folks at *PAUL'S STEAK HOUSE* in Speonk will host us for one more week. We now plan to return to the *Patio* on April 8, 2008. Stay tuned.

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The ♠ *Ace of Spades* ♠ is up to it's old tricks and on the second meeting of the new deck three people had the option and two chose cards while **Paul Haines** opted for the cash. But no ♠ *Ace of Spades* ♠ showed it's face.

Chad Vanderslice announced that our last night of obligation for *Maureen's Haven* was completed this past Monday. The team on Monday included **Chad** (of course) **Grant Werner**; **Hank** and **Janet Beck**; **Gwenn Ramage** and **Gene Wons** and the overnight sleep team of **Pat Wall** and **Jim Fogarty**. Everyone who participated in *Maureen's Haven* this season deserves a hardy round of applause and an especially long ovation to **Chad** for, as a new member of Westhampton Rotary, stepping up to the plate and doing a splendid job by all accounts.

LAST CALL!!! - **IT'S NOT TOO LATE (yet)** *The Rotary District Conference - April 10th -13th, 2008* - The *District 7260 Conference* is being held at the *GIDEON PUTNAM* Resort & Spa in Saratoga Springs. It's a great opportunity to meet others in our district to experience the exchange of Rotary knowledge and expand your capability in the *Four Avenues Of Service*. Come on, the weather forecast is great and you'll really enjoy yourselves.

Paul Haines pinch hit as Sergeant (again). But before he could get very far some of his regular clients asked just one question. Since he just returned from a luxury cruise on the *Queen Mary II* (**Tom Kerr** was on the same trip too but in accommodations, while quite nice, were almost steerage in comparison) they wanted to know just how much of their oil bill went to pay for his voyage south? **Paul** responded that they would have known that answer if they had attended his "*EMO Customer Appreciation*" party held a couple of weeks ago. Oh I guess you didn't get the invitation either huh?? There were some happy dollars surrounding the early "*Lead*" that the *Red Sox* had in the new season and a few sad dollars for the *Mets* continuing their stay in the basement. **Hugh Merle** may be using up some of his newly earned "*Wizards*" good will capital by offering some cash for the "*Pathetic*" *Red Sox* team. And someone offered the observation that the real reason **Eliot Spitzer** resigned from the Governorship was that he was almost singularly responsible for driving high paying jobs out of the state.

Hank Beck introduced **Jay Schneiderman**, *Suffolk County Legislator for the 2nd District* as our guest speaker. **Jay** covered a lot of material in his talk from police funding on the East End to the CR 39 widening to the anticipated county budgetary shortfall. But the topic that raised most interest in our club seemed to focus on development of work force (affordable) housing.

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

Apr 1 — The Kappenbergs	Apr 8 — Herb Phillips	Apr 15 — Marie McAlary
Apr 22 — Dick Haefeli	Apr 29 — Mickey Chih	May 6 — Meredith Murray

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

Apr 1 — Randy Dean	Apr 8 — Rob Urban	Apr 15 — Mike Jacobs
Apr 22 — Tom Terry	Apr 29 — Kent Terchunian	May 6 — Bob Strebel