



# FARMINGDALE ROTARY CLUB

NO. 5051  
DISTRICT 7250  
CHARTERED:  
JUNE, 13, 1928

P.O. BOX 575 FARMINGDALE, NY

**MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY 12:10 PM at Terry G's**  
354 MAIN STREET FARMINGDALE NY 11735.

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## OFFICERS

- President  
Robert Diaz
- Vice President  
Prakash Pisipati
- Secretary  
Willis Carman
- Treasurer  
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- Bulletin Editor  
Stuart Sinclair
- Sergeant-At-Arms  
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- Historian  
Bob Callahan

## DIRECTORS

- Chairman.  
Ted Firetog  
2007-2008  
Robert Chapman  
2007-2008  
Yesh Purandare  
2007-2008  
L Constantinopoli  
2007-2008  
Nancy White

## Honorary Members

- Gregory W. Carman, Sr.  
Pastor, Diane Dunne

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## PROGRAM : MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, February 13, 2008

President Robert Diaz introduced VP Prakash Pisipati who introduced today's speaker, Nassau County Comptroller, Howard Weitzman. He stated that his administration had restored Nassau County's financial health by eliminating deficits and improving its credit rating. He believes a lot more has to be done in eliminating Nassau County's high real estate taxes. Nassau needs more State aid and should have some type of cap on school tax increases. Mr. Weitzman believes that government spending drives up taxes. His office is auditing many special district offices to determine if there is any wasteful spending or inflated salaries. He suggests that some of the special services rendered at the local level can be done more cheaply at the county level. He also spoke of the changing housing needs on Long Island. Because of changed demographics, Long Island

now needs more multi-unit dwellings. Mr. Weitzman suggests putting these units in villages that have railroad stations, many stores and easy road access. Mr. Weitzman also said that many of Nassau's elected offices should not be elected but rather be appointed by the executive.

Former Farmingdale Village Mayor Bill Carman responded for the club. Mr. Carman felt that multi-unit dwellings would drive up costs rather than reduce them because more people need more services. He also questioned doing things at the County rather than Village level. He thanked the speaker for a well expressed presentation.

## Upcoming Programs

| DATE | SPONSER | SPEAKER | Title/TOPIC |
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## Announcements

Welcome to new Rotarian Jim Carney. Jim does appraisals of residential houses. We wish him good luck in his Rotary career.

District will host a GSE team from 4/19/08-5/18/08.

Bob Chapman collected Happy Bucks. Yasuo was happy the Club's food drive was shaping up. Eric would see his son soon. Ruth got a good parking spot. Diane DiLorenzo was going to Atlantic City. Mr. Weitzman's son was recently married.

**Announcements!**

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## Fund Raisers

The Club plans another Wine and Food Event this year. Start talking to your favorite restaurants about participating. It will be held May 1, 2008 at the Huntington Hilton.

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## Calendar

**Calendar**

Feb.29,2008 Spaghetti Dinner  
March'29, 2008 Bowling Fellowship  
May 1, 2008 Wine & Food event, 5K run  
June '08 Fishing Trip

## Rotary Club Meeting: General

The Farmingdale Rotary Club held its weekly luncheon meeting at Terry G's Restaurant in Farmingdale. President Robert Diaz presided. Ted Firetog gave an eloquent invocation.

**Clothing Drive**  
Bring warm clothing to the 2/20/08 meeting for the Eastern Farm Workers.

### ATTENDANCE

Ruth Betz calculated attendance at 85%. Our guests were Sunita Pisipati, and Arthur Peltz



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## Birthdays and Anniversaries: ( 2/1/08-2/29/08)

### ANNIVERSARIES

Bob Callahan (2/5)  
Ted Firetog (2/21)  
Yesh Purandare (2/8)  
Stu Sinclair (2/27)

### BIRTHDAYS

Charles Federlin (2/20)

## Birthdays And Wedding Anniversaries

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## Rotary International / Rotary Foundation / District 7250 News

**The new District Governor Sammy Hsiao was installed on June 27.**

The District Conference will be held at Leonard's of Great Neck on May 16 and May 17 2008. Because it is being held locally, the District Governor expects everyone who is able to attend.

District Governor  
Sammy Hsiao:

7250 website:

[www.gateway7250.org](http://www.gateway7250.org)





## THE FOUR AVENUES OF SERVICE

### CLUB SERVICE \*denotes chairperson

**Director:** Len Constantino-poli\*

**Classification and Membership:** Survey the club's classification and work toward increasing membership

Yasuo Usui, Bill Carman Jr., Bill Carman

Diane DiLorenzo Len Constantino Ben Giminaro

**Sunshine and Fellowship:** Schedule and oversee fellow-

ship activities. Inform the club of special events in members lives. Sending cards and gifts. Nancy White, Ted &

Kathy Firetog

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**Rotary Information:** Update club on new happenings in Rotary International. Give a short summary of the Rotary Magazine to club each month.

, Committee Members: All Farmingdale Rotary Members.

Pat Stickle, Bob Callahan, Yasuo Usui

### ROTARY INTERNATIONAL & DISTRICT 7250 OFFICERS

#### President of RI

Wilfrid J.

Wilkinson

#### Dist Governor

Sammy Hsiao

#### Dist. Treasurer

Bernard J. Sandler

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

**Director:** Nancy White

**Scholarships / Interact:**

Selection of scholarship winners. Make sure they are eligible to receive the second half of their award. Inform Board of student projects we may be able to get involved in.

Kevin Bagnasco Ben Giminaro Ted Firetog, John Cuccia, Sergio Aguirre

**Social and Welfare:** Inform

### VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Board of any persons who may require our assistance and inform the Club of any projects and activities the Club

should undertake to improve life in the community.

Mary Ann Mangels, John Allen, Ann Falco, Paul Gattj

**Public Relations:** Work with local newspapers and the community getting the word of Rotary activities. Pat Stickle,

Stu Sinclair, Ruth Betz

### INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

**Director:** Yesh Purandare\*

**Student Exchange and Group Study Exchange**

**(G.S.E.) Committee::** Participate in the selection and supervision of our incoming and outbound team members.

Help obtain housing and transportation for visiting inbound team members and students.

Kevin Bagnasco Bill Carman (son) ,Mike Muchmore,

**Rotary Foundation:** Keep club informed of Foundation and any changes and grant opportunities..

Mike Muchmore \*

John Allen Bob Callahan

**Gift of Life:** Be a participant in the joy of helping save the life of a child.

Ruth Betz Diane DiLorenzo Sal Nicosiai



## PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS



***Paul Harris  
Fellows from  
Farmingdale  
Rotary Club***

|                         |               |                         |                 |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Charles O. Schmidt *    | Charter Pres. |                         |                 |
| Halsey B. Knapp *       | PP 31-PVPRI   | Mildred DeMarco         |                 |
| Weldon E. Howitt *      | PP 1936       | James McKenna*          |                 |
| Charles M. Schmidt *    | PP 52-PDG     | Alex R. Matera          |                 |
| 57                      |               | PP 1969                 | Charles W. Fed- |
| W. Ellery Follett *     | PP 1937       | Bill Fanning            | erlin PP        |
| Willis B. Carman, Sr. * | PP 1954       | PP1990                  | 1992            |
| Arthur F. White *       | PP 1956       | William B.Haydu         |                 |
| David Allee *           | PP 1958       | Kevin Bagnasco          | PP 1994         |
| Fred Hackett            | PP 1965       | Robert J.Chapman        | PP 1993         |
| Robert Stockbridge *    | PP 1963       | Gregory W.Carman, Sr.   | PP 1997         |
| Albert Meyerstein *     | not a PP      | Wayne M.Muchmore        | PP 2003         |
| Willie F. Oxendine *    | PP 1987       | James R.Corgee          |                 |
| John O.Wagner, Jr. *    | PP 1957       | Salvatore J.Nicosia     | PP 1973         |
| Benjamin Giminaro       | PP 1976       | John Allen              | PP 1996         |
| Robert M.Callahan       | PP 1962       | Edoardo Licci           | PP 1998         |
| Anthony M. Tonachio     | PP 1978       | Joseph Trudden          |                 |
| Howard T.Hogan*         |               | Nancy White             | PP 1999         |
| Willis B.Carman, Jr.    | PP 1974       | Stuart Sinclair         | PP 2004         |
| William P.Metzendorf    | PP 83-DG 00-1 | Leonard Constantinopoli | PP 2000         |
| Gilbert C.Pabst *       | PP 1984       | Hilda Carman            |                 |
| Ann E.Metzendort        |               | Margaret Sinclair       |                 |
| Dorothy Oxendine        |               | Gigi Simonitti          |                 |
| Rudolph Jahn            |               | Yasuo Usui              | pequa PP 1995   |
| Sebastian Albrecht      | PP 1955       | Eric Chimon             | PP 2001         |
| Frank Bondietti         | PP 1985       | Joseph Meares           | PP 1995         |
| Edwin J.Lucie           | PP 1975       | Lou LaRocco             |                 |
| Cynthia Pabst*          |               | Marialyce Denauski      |                 |
| Alfred LiCausi          |               | Jane Muchmore           |                 |
| Paul A.Erlanson *       | PP 1970       | Ruth Betz               | PP2005          |
| George Truppne          |               | Frank Moore             | pequa           |
| Yeshwant Purandare      | PP1971        | Ted Firetog             | PP2006          |
|                         |               | Kathy Firetog           |                 |
|                         |               | †Mary Ann Mangels       |                 |

\* Deceased

# TIDBITS

**Abraham Lincoln said::**

**“If the good people, in their wisdom, shall see fit to keep me in the background, I have been too familiar with disappointments to be very much chagrined.”**

**“It is difficult to make a man miserable while he feels he is worthy of himself and claims kindred to the great God who made him.”**

**“I claim not to have controlled events, but confess plainly that events have controlled me.”**

**“Love is the chain whereby to bind a child to his parents.”**

## **THE FOUR WAY TEST**

**In the things we say and do:**

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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