



Wilton Rotary Drummer

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President Paul presided over lunch with 21 Rotarians, 3 guests, and 1 visiting Rotarian in attendance

Guests/Visitors:

Nigel Mumford – Past Wilton Rotary Club President

Ed Norgard – Visiting Rotary (New Canaan, CT Rotary Club)

Rick Benson – Rotary District 7980 Foundation Chair

Peter Nigro – Proposed for Membership (Deborah Hadden)

Peter is a Past Rotarian (Staten Island, NY) and in the Education Field. (Anyone who has an objection to Peter Nigro becoming a member of the Wilton Rotary Club should contact Paul Burnham within ten days of this Drummer edition.)

Announcements/Upcoming Events:

1. **Directors Meeting:** was held Thursday evening Jan. 16th at Marlys. Topics discussed were:
 - a. **Carol J., Karen S.,** and other committee members are finalizing details for Tuesday, Feb. 25th Tame the Typhoon Fundraiser at Marlys. Club members will be serving patrons beer and wine from the bar. Marlys will be donating all bar tips and possibly dining tips to the cause. Please invite your friends and associates (especially members of Tips for Jesus) to this fun evening.
 - b. **John Lemke:** is working on Career Day (set for April) with the Wilton Education Foundation.
 - c. **Bill M. and Carol J.** are making arrangements for the Wilton Police/Fire Awards event to be held in March.
 - d. **Carol J.** will be attending Rotary Pre-Pets in Fairfield January 27th.
 - e. **Richard K.** is working on the Craft Fair. Richard and other members have some new ideas for this year's fair and need help from every member. Richards asks each of us to reach out to our contacts and request donated items for the Silent Auction.
 - f. **Karen S.** held a Wilton Rotary Club orientation after Friday's lunch for all new members and those wanting a refresher.



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Today's Program:

Rick Benson (Westport Lunch Club) spoke to us today about the Rotary Foundation. Rick is a past District 7980 Governor and is now serving as District 7980 Foundation Chair. Rick reminded us that one half of the money members contribute to the Foundation is returned to clubs in 3 years in the form of grants and scholarships. This year Rick and the district foundation are working to raise funds for an exciting school renovation project in Mombassa, Kenya. The inadequate facilities at this K-8th school for 800 impoverished students in the coastal Africa city are being renovated over a 2-3 year period at an estimated cost of 250K. A portion of the funds for this sustainable improvement project will be provided by the Foundation. Those wanting to contribute can please email Tari Marshall-Day (Meriden Club) at nzinternational1@yahoo.com.

See you Friday at Marly's