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Announcements

1. **Award:** Pat circulated an award certificate from the Wilton Chamber of Commerce for Rotary's service to the community. It was presented last night at Trackside at an event called "I Love Wilton." Over 30 local organizations received similar awards.
2. **Rotary Summer Concert:** Richard is organizing a committee to put on an outdoor fundraising concert this summer. They will meet again on 2/25 at Richard's office. Call him for details at 762-8020.
3. **Arts and Craft Show:** Reservations are coming in ahead of plan for the both ad booklet and craft booths. If you are able, please take out an ad in the booklet – business cards are just \$30.
4. **Memorial Day Parade:** The Parade Committee is well populated with Rotarians, as Karen Strickland is the Chair and I am a member. At its first meeting this week, it was announced that the town is no longer involved in planning or supporting the event due to legal concerns, so the committee will be doing all the heavy lifting.
5. **Silvermine Schedule:** Patrick announced that the Silvermine Tavern will only be open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday for the next few months due to economic conditions, so our meeting time/place is secure for now. However, may have visitors from the Norwalk Rotary whose meeting date is affected by this change.

Program

Steve Wagner, a Wilton resident for over 25 years and an adjunct professor at UCONN Stamford, talked about his experience last year in renting out his home to a movie studio that filmed several scenes used in “What Just Happened” starring Robert DiNiro, Bruce Willis and Sean Penn. Steve showed numerous slides punctuated with lots of anecdotes and humor about the fascinating process of watching his contemporary home off of Ridgefield Road transformed into a movie set over a 9 day period. The film itself was not one of DiNiro’s best (see link to film’s official site, www.whatjusthappenedfilm.com), but Steve will not soon forget the experience of meeting DiNiro and director Barry Levinson.

See you next Friday at the SilvermineBill