



## Wilton Rotary Drummer

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**ATTENDANCE: 24 of 50 (48%)**

**Guests/Visiting Rotarians**

Jessie Martinez, second visit, from Westy's Storage.

### **Announcements**

1. President Frank announced that last week's Rotary lunch with First Selectman Bill Brennan, while not well attended due to the weather, was a good one.
2. President Frank thanked Mark Kolier and Stephanie Barksdale for organizing the Police Awards Ceremony on March 13<sup>th</sup>. We may be hosting the fire and EMS in the near future as well.
3. The check for \$3000 from the district for the Haiti generator has been received – we can finally move this project forward.
4. Bill Glass announced that Interact has sponsored an 8 year old child through World Vision. They have also committed to raising \$100 for COHH for the Hinche orphanage.
5. Richard Kent invited all Rotarians to please come to an envelope stuffing party at his office on Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm. The growth in the craft fair will come from ads in the program book rather than the craft show itself as space is limited to 70+ booths. Patty Sweeney will be spearheading the silent auction with another volunteer whom Richard hoped would be contacted today.
6. President Frank said a potential spring cleanup/worksite has been found – Dan and Britta Cappell (sp.?).
7. President Frank thinks that the Gilbert & Bennett school is a potential site for the carnival for September 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> of 2007.

8. Kathy Leeds invited all interested and available men to join her at the Wilton Library this evening for Men's Night Out with golf, scotch, cigars and poker. This is a fundraiser for the WLA.
9. Wendy Macedo noted that some folks still owe dues and Holiday \$ - if you are not sure, please ask Wendy.

### **Fun & Fines**

Rotarians were very quiet today – several were happy but the most important news came from President Frank who has been invited to be an adjunct professor at Sacred Heart – does this mean we have to call him Professor Frank from now on?

### **Program**

Ray DiGiorgio introduced Bob Vetter who is a member of the Danbury Rotary Club. Danbury Rotary has been able to build an AMBER Alert program into a community service and a fundraising source for the club. Because time is crucial when a child is abducted, these AMBER Alert programs allow parents to put all their kids information on one handy business card which can be carried in a wallet. Each machine costs about \$6600 but Danbury Rotary asks for sponsors when possible; charges organizations \$500 to host if possible; and \$2 per second card (the first is free) if a person can afford the \$2 (if not, the cards are provided free of charge since the idea is to keep the kids safe). AMBER stands for America's Missing Broadcast Emergency Response and is named after Amber Hogerman who was abducted and murdered. If you would like more info on Danbury Rotary's AMBER alert program check out their website at [www.danburyrotary.org](http://www.danburyrotary.org).

Meeting next Friday as scheduled, no meeting April 6<sup>th</sup> as it is Good Friday.

***See you next Friday at the Silvermine .....Stephanie***