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President Frank presided today over the meeting which was attended by 18 Rotarians plus guest and prospective member Nicki Blanchard from Westy Storage.

Announcements:

Bud encouraged everyone to attend Trakside's annual fundraiser on April 28 since Rotary has been very involved over the years in many aspects of establishing the teen center. Details are on Trakside's website.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Craft Show mailing, spearheaded by Bill Glass in Richard Kent's absence and to Carol for hosting the group at Fairfield County Bank.

Carol reported that the annual Police Awards sponsored by Rotary on March 26 at the Library were a big success. Thanks to everyone who assisted that night.

Pat Russo did a demonstration on how to install the carbon monoxide and smoke detectors which will be placed by teams of Rotary volunteers in the homes of 50 seniors. Goal is to complete the project by the end of April. Since we started this program 6 years ago, about 200 units have been installed.

Matt said the membership mailing is getting results, please follow up on your contacts.

Program: Michael Ross of the Westport Country Playhouse

The Playhouse is a not for profit organization with a \$4.5 million budget which mounts 5 plays during their May – November season. It was founded 82 years ago in 1931 by NYC theater professionals who summered in Westport and wanted live stage productions here. About 65 famous plays began at the Playshop such as Green Grow the Lilacs, which became Oklahoma. It became very famous in the 1950's and 60's as a summer stock circuit for actors. In 2000, Joanne Woodward took over and continued its importance as a community resource. Winter at the Playhouse includes reading of classic plays from November – April, productions for family and children based on kids' literature. The Playshop also rents out to groups for fundraisers, meetings and special events. The Summer Season is just starting, and the 5 plays are Into The Woods, The Year of Magical Thinking, Tartuffe, Harbor, and A Raisin in the Sun. Please come and enjoy!

NEXT MEETING: Friday, April 13 (No meeting April 6 Good Friday)