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Thirteen Rotarians welcomed four representatives of WSHU Radio Station to Friday's lunch: George Lombardi, General Manager; Dan Katz, News Director; Liz Lew, Capital Campaign Manager; and Nadine Staeger, Underwriting Associate. President-Elect Bud Boucher presided over the meeting in place of President Richard, who is vacationing in Europe.

Announcements:

- Bud reported that ads were coming in for the Program Book for the Craft Fair, which will be held on Saturday, May 28 at the Wilton Town Green.
- 4/16 – District Training Assembly – Grants training, Four Season Sheraton, Meriden.
- 4/28 – Board Meeting, Fairfield County Bank.
- 4/29 – District Conference (runs till 5/1) at Renaissance Hotel in Providence, RI.
- 5/1 Wilton Rotary grant application deadline.
- 5/2 – Golf outing (\$275/ golfer including lunch and cocktails)
- 5/2 Annual Wilton Town Meeting.
- 5/7 Homefront – Project is a family's home in South North Norwalk. See Chris for details.
- 5/31 World Peace Scholarship deadline.
- 6/16 Wilton Rotary Installation Dinner @ Rolling Hills Country Club.

Program:

Messrs. Lombardi and Katz spoke about WSHU's current operations, its news reporting, and the new building it is constructing to house its news operations. WSHU (91.1 FM) is a National Public Radio affiliate that provides world and national news programming from NPR, CT and Long Island news, and music programming. It reaches 275,000 weekly listeners, and it is seeking to grow its local news. WSHU has raised 80% of its goal of \$9.4 million needed to build a state of the art building on the Sacred Heart University Campus in Fairfield. The station is currently located in a converted house, and it needs more space for its reporters to record stories and to offer an

internship program for students who are interested in journalism careers. The funding for WSHU's annual budget of comes from contributions from individuals, business and corporate sponsorships, and grants from the federal government and others organizations.

NEXT MEETING – Friday April 15 – 12:15 at Marly's