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President Frank Spencer presiding at Marly's, with 22 Rotarians in attendance.

Announcements/Upcoming Events:

1. **Arts and Crafts Fair May 26th:** After months of planning, the big day is finally here. Many thanks to all who have helped with the silent auction, ad sales, and volunteered to set up and clean up. Let's hope for good weather and a good turnout.
2. **Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 28th:** As in the past, the Club will host a water station at Hillside Cemetery to refresh marchers arriving for the ceremony.
3. **Rose Sale:** Distribution of Roses on Thursday, June 7th, noon – 1:30 PM (place TBD). Order forms circulated by Bob Mills. \$15/dozen for high quality roses. Please get your orders to him no later than **June 1st**.
4. **Annual Dinner:** Our festive end of year event will take place on **Thursday, June 21st, 6 PM**, at Silvermine Golf Club in Norwalk. \$50 per person. Our new president Wendy will be inducted, as will the 2012-13 Board, and Paul Harris fellowships will be announced. Please send your reservation and payment in to Patty as soon as possible. There will be *no* meeting on June 22nd.

Today's Program

Pat Sesto, Director of Environmental Affairs for Wilton, spoke to us in her role as a representative of the Norwalk River Valley Trail (NRVT). The NRVT is an ambitious plan to develop a multi-use trail (for hikers, walkers and cyclists, but no motorized vehicles) extending 27 miles from Danbury to Norwalk, following much of the old Super 7 Expressway right of way. Two miles of the Trail have been completed in Norwalk and Wilton. The balance of the Trail is currently in the active study and design phase. It is hoped that major portions can be completed over the next 5 years, though this is a 10-20 year plan that might cost in the neighborhood of \$14 million. The immediate goals are to set up a fundraising mechanism, and by the fall of 2012, open a section of the trail in each of the five participating towns. For more information, visit www.nrvt-trail.com or contact Pat at Patricia.Sesto@wiltonct.org

See you Friday at Marly'sBill