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Attendance: 27 of 42 (64%)

Guests/Visiting Rotarians

David Knox, guest of John Lemke. Mr. Knox is a student at UCONN and works part time with Northwestern Mutual.

Announcements

1. President Pat thanked the club for all that happened through his year. This is his last regular meeting before P-E Victor takes over the reins.
2. The rose sale is next week, June 19th, at noon outside of Village Market. Roses are \$14/dozen and there may still be an opportunity to sell some more if you have not already done so.
3. The installation dinner is June 23rd at Silvermine Golf Club. \$50 includes dinner. There will be a cash bar. Linda Moros, wife of Bill Moros, will be a guest of the club.
4. Your editor announced that the Georgetown Gallop 5K Road Race is this Sunday, 10:30 in Georgetown; and the Taste of Wilton is Monday, June 22nd at Cannon Grange.

Fun & Fines:

Lots of sad dollars of folks who will miss the installation dinner, but happy dollars to thank President Pat for his year of service to the club. Lots of happy dollars that the Red Sox continue to sweep the Yanks (go Sox!). Karen was happy because she's getting out of dodge for two weeks to visit her new grand son. Bill G. was happy because his daughter was calling from a Russian

hostile and not a Russian hospital – she will be coming home tomorrow. President Pat was most especially happy!

Program

Today's meeting was a club assembly to discuss some issues that club members had on their minds. President Pat first discussed the finances of the club and noted that there was about \$30,000 to spend this past year and we came pretty close to spending it! Almost all of the money has stayed right here in Wilton or benefits Wilton organizations. Kick for Nick was a matching grant for which the district sent us \$2500 but our grant was actually \$2325 and we'll need to repay that but we are getting our \$400 back from the Youth Exchange debacle.

President Pat said the dues, which have not been raised in several years, really need to be raised to help fund the club operating account. The Board was recommending a \$25 per year raise. There was some discussion about why the club is paying for people who are not members – the Board has tried to stay on top of this issue.

There was also discussion about the proposal from Greens at Cannondale to host the club for lunch at \$10 per person per week. Greens has offered to let us try this for the summer to see how we like it.

The club voted as follows on these items:

Go to the Greens at Cannondale for lunch for the summer – voted affirmatively with only 3 opposed. Those opposed felt the distance might be a bit far and the buffet was difficult. We'll try this venue for 3 months.

To continue to bill dues annually – voted affirmatively. I didn't see anyone opposed but there may have been a couple that I could not see.

To raise dues from \$160 to \$185 – voted affirmatively with a couple of no's.

The next meeting for Rotary, and the first at the Greens, will be July 10th.

Rose sale – June 19th

Annual Dinner – June 23rd – please RSVP with payment to [Wendy](#)

June 26th – no meeting

July 3rd – no meeting

Bill G. said he wanted to applaud Pat's leadership throughout this past year, especially over the last couple of months with the loss of our eating place and the increase in dues, etc. He said he could not remember anyone else having to deal with these types of issues as President of the Club. Way to go Pat!