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

Guests/Visitors

Kathy Leeds introduced Elaine Tai-Lauria, her successor as Executive Director of the Wilton Library. We hope Elaine will become a Club member soon!

Announcements/Upcoming Events:

1. **Last Meeting of the 2nd Term of President Frank:** This was the last official meeting of Frank's second term. He did a great job leading the Club through the past year, which was marked by many successes. Congratulations, Frank, on a Job Well Done!
2. **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. We will bid goodbye to Frank, and 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.
3. **Induction of New Members:** Yours truly was pleased to preside over the induction of two new members – Nikki Blanchard and Mike Coogan. Nikki is with Westy's Storage on Route 7; Mike is with an employee benefits consulting firm in Wilton Center. We look forward to their fellowship and their contributions as Wilton Rotarians!
4. **Thank You:** A thank you note was read from Wilton High Senior JJ Munro, thanking the Club for awarding her a \$1,000 "Service Above Self" Scholarship.
5. **Wilton Sidewalk Sale:** Saturday, July 21st, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. The club will host a beer tasting tent.
6. **Board Meeting:** At the Board meeting on June 14th, Frank revealed that the following programs will be receiving financial support:
 - a. Adopt A Spot
 - b. CERT
 - c. Wilton Student Financial Aid Committee
 - d. Wilton Youth Council
 - e. Hurlbutt Street School
 - f. Wilton Center Sign

Today's Program

Donna Sciacca with the American Liver Foundation's Connecticut chapter in North Haven gave us an insightful presentation on the organization and the current state of liver disease (causes, prevention, and treatment). Among the highlights:

- 17,000 people in the US are awaiting a liver transplant, including 170 in Connecticut
- Everything we eat, drink, and breathe is processed by the liver
- There are over 100 different liver ailments/diseases, the most widely known are cancer of the liver, cirrhosis, and Hepatitis A, B, and C; liver disease affects almost 30 million people in the US
- For more information on their programs and services, visit www.liverfoundation.org, or call 800-GOLIVER

Hope to see you Thursday night at the Silvermine Golf Club.....Bill