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A robust crew of seventeen Rotarians and guest Eric Glass gathered at Marly's to thank Bud Boucher for his fine service as the Club's 2016-2017 President. Though Bud's leadership is irreplaceable, the Club welcomed new President, Christene Freedman, and her dynamic, youthful administration to lead the Club through the 2017-2018 year.

Announcements:

- **Polio Eradication** – at RI's Annual Meeting, Rotary committed to raise \$50 million per year over the next three years, with every dollar to be matched with two additional dollars from the Gates Foundation. This translates into \$450 million for polio eradication activities in the next three years.
- July 15, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. – **Wilton Street Fair** – The Club takes the first step in raising \$50 million by staffing the Street Fair Beer Booth. All members are urged to contribute an hour or two (or, if you prefer, \$50 million) to this essential community service.
- July 20 – **Club Board Meeting**
- August 11 – **District Governor Trish Pearson** – Lunch meeting at Marly's to meet, greet and welcome to the Club the newly installed District Governor.
- **Club Survey** – Christene solicits your input and ideas. Please respond to the Club Survey. You can use the link that appears in Andy's July 6 email.
- **Dues** - Our Treasurer reports that annual Club dues are due. Please pay your dues if you have not already done so.

Upcoming Events:

7/15 — Wilton Street Fair
7/20 — Board Meeting

8/11 — District Governor Visit
9/15-17 — Carnival

Discussion Led By Christene – Rotary Making A Difference 2017-2018

Rotary International's Theme for 2017-2018 is "Rotary: Making A Difference." Christene led a discussion of how the Club can implement this theme in its goals and objectives for 2017-2018. The discussion identified three primary goals for the Club – (1) support and strengthen the Club, (2) focus and increase humanitarian service and (3) enhance Rotary's public image and awareness. To achieve these goals a number of ideas are being developed including ways to increase and enhance membership, diversify club activities, establish a Rotary Ethics In Business Award and expand the Club's social media presence. More to come.

NEXT MEETING – Friday, July 14, 2017 – 12:15 at Marly's