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For the 2nd official meeting of the new 2012-13 Rotary year, 17 Wilton Rotarians were in attendance. In President Wendy's absence, past president Paul Hafter again led the program with charm and wit. Marly's lunch and dessert selections were delicious as always.

Announcements:

Pat Russo and Karen Strickland talked about the Wilton Street Fair and Sidewalk Sales on Saturday, July 21 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm in Wilton Center. Ridgefield Road between Godfrey Place and the Village Market's north driveway will close to vehicular traffic and become a pedestrian mall with about 45 vendor booths lining the road. Rotary's beer tent received its liquor permit, and Victor has confirmed with Mitch Ancona the 4 bottled varieties to be offered. At least 6 Rotarians are needed throughout the day between 11 AM and 5 PM to work the tent checking IDs, taking payment, pouring beer into cups, replenishing the supply, keeping the area clean. Those who have stepped forward so far are:

Victor, John Lemke, Paul Hafter, Patty Sweeney, Frank Spencer, Bud Boucher (4-5 pm), and possibly Paul Burnham and Bill Glass. Any club members who are available that day should email John at blockisland44@att.net and let him know when you can help.

Jay Dulberg celebrates his 70th birthday on Monday – best wishes to the ever youthful, always dapper Jay for many more happy years to come!

Program:

Rico Renzo, manager of the Verizon store in Wilton Center, was our guest speaker. He wanted to make us aware of their new Family Data Plan which can link a maximum of 10 lines to any type of electronic device in one package with unlimited minutes and texting. People can be paying \$20-30 extra each month to add tablets or smart phones to their plans, but Verizon will analyze your usage and needs and then set you up with the most cost-effective plan. Overages are now a flat \$15 charge and "hot spot" devices are free when you sign up for a package. Rico said there are at least 4 other brands of smart phones that are just as good or better than the iphone, but people are seduced by Apple's marketing. Verizon gives highly personalized service to customers to guide you to the right phone for your situation. He also said that the technology is rapidly changing to bring improvements in battery life and even bendable glass! So when your current plan is up, please stop down and see Rico at the Verizon store before you make another 2-year contract decision – he has lots of information and answers that you can benefit from.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, July 20, 2012