



**Wilton Rotary Drummer**  
**Wilton, Connecticut USA District 7980**  
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***Past President, Bill Glass, who donned a tie for the occasion, presided over the meeting after an 18 year hiatus. Seventeen Rotarians were in attendance.***

**Guests/Visitors**

Guests included John Hendrickson, Assistant District Governor, Janeen Leppert, Executive Director of the Wilton Chamber, and Deborah Hadden of First Niagara, both of whom are potential members.

**Announcements/Upcoming Events:**

1. The club's miniature flags seem to be missing, and after a fair amount of speculation, it was concluded that they may be in Victor's basement.
2. Pat announced that he is still working on the myriad details that make the carnival possible. Thus far he has confirmed five food vendors, including pizza, barbecue, cupcakes, organic juice, and hot dogs and hamburgers.
3. Carol announced that she has a limited number of Rotary golf shirts and ball caps available for sale.
4. Social Services is accepting donations to help 90 children with back to school supplies.
5. Bud still has a supply of Lobsterfest tickets for the New Canaan Club's event in September.
6. The American Legion will be holding a flag retirement ceremony and there is a deposit box at the legion hall for anyone who has a flag they would like to have retired.
7. Pat reminded everyone that hurricane season is upon us, and we should be prepared for 72 hours with food and water, and we should check in on our neighbors who may be in need.

Notice to all club members:

The following person has been proposed for membership in the Wilton Rotary Club:  
Deborah Hadden- Branch Manager, First Niagara Bank.

If any member has an objection to accepting her into the club, you must submit this in writing via email to President Karen Strickland, within 10 days. If there are no objections, we will proceed with inducting her as soon as possible.



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Program:

The topic of our program today was Advanced RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards.) Justin Phillips of the Westport Sunrise Club, had his first introduction to Rotary in 1991, when he was an exchange student and spent a year in Brazil. A Rotarian since November of 2011, Justin was asked by the district to spearhead the Advanced RYLA Program. The purpose of Advanced RYLA is to identify college and post-college individuals who possess the potential to be future leaders. Through personal and professional development, mentoring and coaching, these individuals will emerge as the leaders of the next generation. Two recent "graduates" of the program shared their experiences, highlighting specifics of the program that they personally found most motivational and inspirational.

### **Future Programs**

August 31 - Mary Ann Genuario Wilton Y Diabetes Prevention and Cancer Rehab  
September 7 – Club Assembly and New Member Orientation  
September 14- Bruce Bennett- Bruce Bennett Nissan

See you on the 31<sup>st</sup> at Marly's.....Carol