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Past President Frank Spencer presiding, filling in for Luis Garcia, at Marley's, with 22 Rotarians in attendance.

Guests/Visitors: Rick Kellam, past president, Paul Harris Fellow, visiting from Florida; Janell Federico, Realty 7, guest of Patty Sweeney and prospective new member; Susan Betsworth, Wilton Y, prospective new member; John Hendrickson, Assistant District Governor.

Announcements:

1. **Carnival:** Sept. 17-18-19. Please support this, our biggest fundraising event, by volunteering for a shift in the ticket booth or food booth. Contact Wendy Macedo to sign up. **There will be no meeting on Friday, Sept. 17th as we prepare for the Carnival!**
2. **Lee Hindenach:** Lee Hindenach, founding member and initial president of the Club, passed away last week at the age of 91. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Sept. 11th at 11AM at the Presbyterian Church in New Canaan.
3. **WHS Interact Club:** Matt Castaldi and I met recently with the new Interact Club advisor at the High School, Lorraine Molrath. Lorraine is a guidance counselor and is very enthusiastic about the job and looks forward to working with the students and the club.
4. **Welcome Eva!** Congratulations to Kristen on birth of daughter Eva!
5. **Fun 'n Fines Today:** To benefit the Wilton Food Pantry.

Today's Program

Dan DeBarba, the recently appointed president and CEO of Norwalk Hospital, gave us an update on the hospital. Among the highlights in 2009:

- 328 beds
- 1800 employees
- Rated in the top 5% of all US hospitals for patient satisfaction
- 500 physicians affiliated/on staff
- 600 volunteers
- 250,000 patients served
- 70+ angioplasties performed

Many members shared positive experiences they have had with the hospital, which has greatly improved its public image, facilities and patient service in the past few years. More improvements are planned in their 5 year Master Plan, including a new parking garage and ER.

For further information, visit www.norwalkhealth.org

Upcoming Programs

- September 17: NO MEETING! Carnival Weekend
- September 24: Julie Reppenhagen – District Governor
- October 1: Carl Tucker, TheWiltonDaily

See you at the Carnival and September 24th at Marley'sBill