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Fourteen Wilton Rotarians joined our speaker for lunch at Marly's. A fifteenth Rotarian showed up with a much better looking companion, but the dog couldn't come into Marly's and Paul H couldn't stay.

Announcements:

- The Ace of Spades has been as hard to find as Aaron Judge in the postseason, but the "winner" of this week's raffle drawing came close, picking the Queen of Spades. However as Yankees catcher Sanchez can tell you after the bottom of the ninth of game 2 in Houston, close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades. Next Friday though, a few hours before the Yankees wrap up the series in Houston, the \$350 in the pot can be yours. All it takes is a dollar and a dream.
- Pres. Christene hosted our first social on Wednesday. Those of us who missed it missed out. Next one is in November.
- The Chamber's Halloween Hustle will be on Nov. 1, with the attendant 5K. We will man the water station beginning at 10 a.m.
- Some dues are still overdue. Good looking as our club is, we need money to operate.
- Wilton DSS has reached out to us for the Thanksgiving baskets.
- The 5th annual World Polio Day is October 24. The fight against polio is funded in part by your dues. Watch for [a livestream from Seattle at 5:30 pm EDT](#).
- Atlases are here and need to be prepped. See [Carol J](#) to help. Distro date is 11/2.

Upcoming events (see Pres. Christene):

10/19 — Board meeting	10/24 — World Polio Day
11/1 — Halloween Hustle	11/2 — Atlas distribution

Program: Helping cancer patients

Terri Eickel of the [Connecticut Cancer Foundation](#) shared details on the 30-year-old organization's work to support cancer patients. Founded by former Yankee John Ellis, who had a number of family members fall victim to cancer, it has provided approximately \$5 million in direct support to patients thus far in grants usually averaging \$600-1200. That may not sound like much, but could make all the difference to the least of our brothers and sisters at a most vulnerable point. Fundraisers include an indoor spin event called Cycle against Cancer (I'd give good money to see Burnham on the bike), and an annual celebrity dinner at Mohegan Sun. This year's celebrity guest is Derek Jeter. The date is February 9, 2018. Visit [the website](#) for details.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, October 20 at Marly's