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13 Rotarians and prospective member Rosa joined President Richard and our guest speaker from the American Red Cross for buffalo chicken salad at Marly's.

### **Announcements:**

- We will be participating in Stop Hunger Now Saturday, Oct. 24, 8-5 at WEPCO. Two-hour shifts are available. In just two hours, you could help feed thousands of hungry people. Last year, Wilton's event provided 160,000 meals for Haiti. See [President Richard](#) to volunteer or for details.
- If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, try one, we're giving away money. Bud Boucher is coordinating our 50/50 raffle. Judy White almost won big this week. Next week, it could be you.

### **Board meeting recap:**

- The Board met on Oct. 15 at Fairfield County Bank. Next meeting is Nov. 19. All members are invited.
- The Board voted to continue supporting the holiday fund and the Thanksgiving basket. Details soon.
- The Board also voted to support the Guatemala District Managed Grant. We will help provide stoves and latrines. There will be a Rotary trip there next spring. See President Richard if you're interested.
- We still need host families for the Youth Exchange program, especially as we consider if we should do this next year.
- World Polio Day is Oct. 24.
- We will send two students to RYLA.
- We allocated \$600 for carbon monoxide detectors.
- Tip-A-Rotarian is tentatively scheduled for Feb. 9 at Marly's, possibly starring Pat Russo as Magic Mike. Bring singles to tip Pat.
- The Foundation Brunch is Nov. 8. It's \$50 per person with a cash bar. See President Richard.

### **Program: American Red Cross**

Your treasurer/Drummer editor was busy either counting cash or thinking of Pat Russo as Magic Mike and somehow missed the name of our speaker, but did hear that she first became involved with the Red Cross in high school. Not surprising, since in addition to the well-known blood drives and disaster relief, the Red Cross offers numerous programs, such as classes for would-be babysitters and a home fire preparedness campaign similar to the one our club conducts. Nationally, there have been at least 37 incidents where people made it out alive because of smoke alarms the Red Cross provided. Online, one may find useful information such as an app that, among other things, teaches you how to respond to people choking, including when Pat "Magic Mike" Russo takes the stage. About 93% of Red Cross workers in Connecticut are volunteers, and they need as many volunteers as possible with as broad a range of expertise as possible. Donations are also welcome.

***NEXT MEETING: Friday, October 23, 2015 at Marly's***