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With fall foliage peaking, fifteen famished Rotarians and guest Eric Glass, led by Pat Russo filling in for the missing President Richard, gathered to welcome and hear the highly regarded cosmetic and reconstructive surgeon Dr. Mark M. Melendez speak of the latest developments in the field.

### Announcements:

- Beth Edwards announced that, with an assist from our New Canaan comrades, success in securing all required host family commitments for the incoming exchange student.
- November 1 – Halloween Fun Run Water Table
- November 5, 7:00 p.m. – Wilton Library Wine Tasting Benefit
- November 9, 7:00 p.m. – Wilton Library, Wiltonite Jean Pierre Lavielle and Post 86 present the first program in the series covering various aspects of WWI, the “war to end all wars.”
- November 14 – Council of Presidents – All presidents and presidential pretenders invited to the mid-year club presidential checkup at the Graduate Club in New Haven.

### Program: Dr. Mark M. Melendez

*Mr. McGuire: I want to say one word to you. Just one word. Benjamin: Yes, sir. Mr. McGuire: Are you listening? Benjamin: Yes, I am. Mr. McGuire: Plastics. - The Graduate 1967*

Mr. McGuire was not referring to Dr. Melendez's type of plastics. Ben wasn't listening anyway. His eye was on Elaine while Mrs. Robinson had her eye on him. Fortunately, Wilton resident Dr. Melendez is a lot more directed than Ben. Dr. Melendez spent years training at Stony Brook University Hospital and Johns Hopkins Hospital practicing the art and science of providing medical and surgical services. Right off the bat, Dr. Melendez made clear that there is a lot more to “plastic surgery” than tapping into the fountain of youth. Dr. Melendez informed us of some of the procedures required for reconstructing tissue damaged in surgery or a traumatic event. He described other procedures designed to relieve pain attributable to scar tissue or nerve compression. Dr. Melendez also spoke of the health risks common in the Fairfield County area as well as his work on medical missions to Viet Nam and Ecuador.

***NEXT MEETING – Friday, November 6 – 12:15 at Marly's***