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With the winter solstice fast approaching, fifteen Rotarians welcomed new member Phil Lauria at the penultimate club meeting before the New Year.

Announcements:

- **New Member – Phil Lauria** – Buffalo's favorite son and long a familiar face at club functions, Phil, sponsored by Elaine, finally became an official member of the club.
- **We know people in high places** - Christene has been nominated to be the Assistant District Governor Area 2 for the next Rotary year.
- **Community Service** – Chris and Pat took the lead organizing a yard cleanup project for a Wiltonian who has fallen on hard times. The Rotarian crew of highly skilled rakes persons and leaf blowers planned to perform their magic beginning in the wee hours of Saturday.
- **Atlas Distribution** – The Club continued its Atlas-Dictionary Project. On December 5, each of hundreds of Wilton, Cider Mill 4th graders received an Atlas. The books were distributed by club members during class time. A good time was had by all.
- **January 4, 10:30 a.m. – YMCA Grand Reopening** – Club members are invited. The Club made a sizable contribution towards the YMCA renovation campaign. The project is nearing completion with the formal reopening ceremony scheduled for January 4.
- **Gingerbread House** – led by President Pam, the club entered Wilton Library's annual Gingerbread House Show. The Club's entry prominently features a Peace Pole.
- **Wedding** – The Club congratulated Captain Glass as shortly before Thanksgiving, his daughter Virginia wed Neerja Ughade in Washington, D.C., near where the couple live and work.
- **Lucky Drawing** – Of the 42 prior losing picks, Pat Russo made at least five. Today, Pat kept his streak alive. With only eleven cards to choose from, Pat again avoided the joker, selecting, instead, the six of diamonds. Nice choice Pat.

PROGRAM: Phil Lauria

In addition to being sworn in, Phil gave an impromptu presentation describing his marketing experience from the early days, schlepping trunk loads of Maxwell House coffee across the frozen tundra of western New York, to his current marketing and business strategy firm that specializes in making sense of the boat loads of data available to businesses operating in today's economy.

NEXT MEETING: Friday, December 13, 12:15 at ROLLING HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

Speaker: J&L Orchids