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At our weekly celebration, presided over by the honorable Carol Johnson, 19 Rotarians had the distinct pleasure of dining with two guests (former member Cliff Juleson and his wife Val) and our speaker (Adrian Zeck).

**Announcements:**

- 1. President Carol** – also gave fair warning that she will continue to talk about 'every Rotarian every year' until all Wilton Rotary members are contributing to the Rotary Foundation.
- 2. \*\*One final announcement from the Presidential suite\*\* – in lieu of our meeting for December 19<sup>th</sup> will be a cocktail party held at Marly's from 5-7pm. The charge will be \$27 per person, which covers all the beer and/or wine you can drink - hors d'oeuvres will be served. All members and guests are welcome – please let Carol know ASAP as Marly's needs a reliable head count.**
- 3. NO MEETINGS ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 19<sup>th</sup> (Holiday Party @ Marly's 5pm), DECEMBER 26, AND JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2015.**
- 4. Pat R.** – Reminded everyone, when purchasing their holiday gifts through Amazon, to do so through smiles.amazon.com and designate Wilton Rotary Trust as your charity.
- 5. Camille and her son Mason** – Gave the club a very nice Christmas card with her newborn son's picture on it.

***Have a very Merry Christmas and I hope 2015 brings Health, Happiness, and Prosperity to all.***

**Program: Adrian Zeck, Park Ranger at Weir Farm National Historic Site:**

Not only is Wilton, CT the home of one of the finest Rotary Clubs in the nation, it is also the location of one of the United States' 401 National Parks. Of Connecticut's two National Historic Sites (the other being a stretch of the Appalachian Trail in NW Connecticut), Weir Farm is one of the only two (the other is Saint-Gaudens in Cornish, NH) sites in the total National Park system dedicated to the visual arts.

Artist Julian Alden Weir (1852-1919) would come to Branchville with his three daughters and spend his time painting at what was then (up until 1940) a working farm. Since that time, Weir Farm has been a natural setting for both prominent and aspiring artists. Situated on 60 acres at 735 Nod Hill Rd in Wilton, over 30,000 visitors this year have enjoyed the many nature trails and artists' cottages. Tours are offered between May and June. The grounds are open from sun-up to sun-down 365 days a year. The park is always in need of volunteers to help manage the grounds and show visitors the park.

**OUR NEXT MEETING IS FRIDAY JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2015 AT MARLY'S RESTAURANT**